

Parish News & Notices

The Sixteenth Sunday of the year. This Sunday invites us to reflect on the patient and compassionate nature of the Heavenly Father. We are also called to be patient and understanding with those who stray from the path of sanctity.

St. Osburg's Church is open for Public Masses and Confessions: Those who would like to come for the Masses should book by calling or sending text messages to the Parish Priest. The Sunday obligation is still suspended, please choose any day in the week to come for Mass. **All who come for the Mass must wear face masks, it is compulsory.** The live streaming Masses will be everyday, please you are encouraged to follow from home. We shall have confessions on **Mondays** and **Thursdays** only for 45 minutes each day, from 12:45pm to 1:30pm. We need more volunteers to help in the daily Masses and confessions, but only those who are not vulnerable.

Mass and Confessions programme at St. Osburg's Church: From 11th July, please follow the programme below: Saturday @ 5.30pm Public Mass
Sunday @ 11.30am Public Mass
Tuesday/Wednesday/Friday @ 12.10pm Public Mass
Monday to Friday @ 12.10pm Livestreamed Mass.
Saturday @ 11.45am Livestreamed Mass
Monday and Thursday @ 12:45pm -1:30pm Confessions

Time: On the day of public Masses, the church opens at 11:30am, Sunday at 11am and Saturday 5pm. Please note the time. Confessions' days at 12:45pm

Candles: Please ask the stewards to light the candles for you, do not touch them.

Baptism: You can book for Baptism, but only 15 people will be expected for the service.

Gift Aid envelopes: Please pick your Gift Aid envelopes at the exit from the steward. Those who would like to be included in the scheme, please pick a form at the exit, fill it and send it back to the presbytery addressed to the treasurer.

Updated Webcam Camera: Dear parishioners this is to inform you, that the Webcam Camera has been upgraded. Please click on **MCN MEDIA—ST. OSBURG'S**

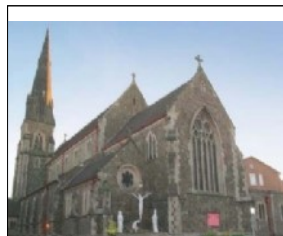
The Parish New Contacts: The Parish has a new Website link <https://www.stocov.org.uk> Email address: pp.stosburg@gmail.com

Fr. Sunday Evaristus: Due to the commitment to serve at the University Hospital Chaplaincy, he will have less time in the parish. We continue to pray for his mother **Odilia Takyombweine (RIP)** who died recently.

Devotions: The Rosary takes place after the daily masses in the church (this time it is suspended, but done individually). Eucharistic Adoration is on Friday and Saturday. Vespers and Benediction are on the First Thursday of every month and on the Last Sunday of every month. Please note that these devotions are on livestream, please follow them on the webcam. The next Benediction will be on 26th July 2020. They will all be live streamed not communal celebrations.

Fundraising resources: Parish Hall: As our Parish Hall and Kitchen have been improved, I encourage you and your friends to come and use it for your parties or ceremonies (Birthday, Anniversaries, Graduations, Weddings, Rehearsals for drama/music, Meetings and any others). For Hall hire, please call **Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952. Due to Covid-19 pandemic, all the bookings are suspended.**

The parish hall and Foyer are not to be opened for any gathering until we get directives from Diocese.



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

Parish Newsletter – Fourteenth Sunday 12th July 2020

“LET THEM BOTH GROW TILL THE HARVEST”

In the world, good and evil coexist, and it is therefore, a continuous invitation for us to make choices to do good. A choice of action may be good for someone because it pleases him or her and yet destructive to another person. To promote the common good of all, we need rules or laws to guide our actions. These laws will regulate our actions and choices, which in turn will promote fairness and justice. Above everything else is the teaching of the gospel of Christ, based on charity and compassion. As in the parable of the dandelion or weed sowed in a field of wheat. The owner of the field allowed them to grow together until harvest time, when he would then safely separate them. The Lord waits for us to turn away from evil and follow the good design of life, as explained in the Holy Scriptures and the Holy traditions of the Church.

Today, we celebrate the 16th Sunday. The readings present to us a patient and compassionate God. The heavenly Father gives us time to rethink our ways and be converted, if we have strayed from the path of sanctity. The parable of the dandelion explains this fact to us. The servants asked, “Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in the field? If so, where does the dandelion come from? Some enemy has done this” he answered. When the servants suggested to weed it out, he told them no, let them both grow till harvest time. In our Christian vocation we are supposed to be like the wheat which grows to maturity to feed others with good examples of life. In life's journey we can experience weeds growing in our hearts and minds, when we close our heart to love and forgiveness. We are sometimes tempted to think, that the traditional Church and Scriptural teachings on morality, the sanctity of life and religious practices are a burden to our human freedom. The Lord still invites us to listen to Him. As the Lord is patient with us, we are also expected to be kind and forgiving in relating with others. We should avoid rushing judgement on some of our members of family or communities who have drifted from the right path. Instead, we should pray for them so that they can be won back to God. The Spirit of the Lord guides us in life. Most of us have been weeds or dandelions in our life at a certain moment, but the Lord is merciful and patient with us. “If you O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord who we would survive?”(Ps130:1).

“Fr. Pontius Bandua

The Most Holy Sacrament and St. Osburg

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Parish Income

Gift aid: £ 164 Loose: £658.64 Total £ 822.64

Candles: £ 54.21 Restoration: £ 12.

Heating: £ 20 Donations: £250.

Rent:£1200 Fr. Pontius Ord. Ann. Walk £475

Donation and support. I would like to thank all those who have supported the church with generous donations during this difficult time. Thank you and may God bless you

The appeal of the Parish Priest: Dear parishioners, I encourage you to bring your weekly offertory collections of the last four months this time when you come for the public Masses. At the same time you can make your weekly offertory collection on any day of the week when come for Mass. Please place it the box at the exit. Thank you for supporting the Church.

300 Club June Draws Winners

First prize: 407 A. Walker Second Prize: 360 H. Gough
Third prize: 281 J. Walsh Fourth Prize: 316 P. O'Connell

Congratulations to the winners! Any queries, contact Ann Fenton on 024 7659 9544

P. O'Connell has donated her £20 to the heating fund of the church.

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No. 234216

Hearing Aid Users—Please switch your hearing aid to 'T'

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK 19TH –26TH JULY 2020

Sat	18	11:45am	
		05:30pm	Odilia Takyombweine (RIP)
Sun	19	11:30am	James McNicholas (Sp int)
			Bernadette Mulvany (RIP)
			People of the Parish
Mon	20	12:10pm	John McKiernan (Sp. Int)
Tue	21	12:10pm	Daniel Lewis (RIP)
Wed	22	12:10pm	John Coen (Get well)
Thurs.	23	12:10pm	The World (intentions)
Fri	24	10:00Am	Funeral—Bridget Somers
		12:10pm	Brendan & Mary (Get well)
Sat	25	11:45am	
		05:30pm	Odilia Takyombweine (RIP)
Sun	26	11:30am	Martin Brennan (RIP)
			Fr. David (Ordination Ann. Int.)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

05:30 (R) Ann F & Ann E
(E) Maggie

Sunday

11.30am:(R) Frank & Jolan
(E) Angelo

Please pray for those who are sick in the parish: We pray for all the sick in the parish, asking God to be with them in their need.

Death Announcement: Bridget Somers died on 18.06.2020. The funeral Mass will be on Friday 24th July 2020, at St. Osburg's Church. Only 30 people invited by the family are expected to be for the Mass. We pray for and the family.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Bridget Philomena and Susan O'Driscoll