

Parish News & Notices

The First Sunday of Advent invites us to reflect on the on the coming of the Lord into our world and lives. We are invited to stay awake by following the path of holiness. It is a season of spiritual renewal and repentance for the many times we have not acted according to the holy teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ

The public Masses : Public Masses will start on Wednesday ,2nd December. You are expected to follow the regulations of safety strictly. The Sunday obligation is still suspended, please choose any day in the week to come for Mass. **All who come for Mass must wear face masks, it is compulsory.**

Mass and Confessions programme at St. Osburg's Church: From 2nd December, 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**

Collecting Contact Details: All those who come to church are required to give their names and phone numbers for NHS track and trace. It is a government directive. The details will be kept safely by the Parish Priest.

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.stosburg.org.uk> Email address: pp.stosburg@gmail.com

Heating the church: As we approach the cold season, I request your usual support for the heating of the church.

Devotions: The Rosary takes place after the daily masses in the church (at this time it is suspended, but prayed individually at home). 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 5th November 2020. These will all be live streamed not communal celebrations.

Fundraising resources: Parish Hall: For Hall hire, please call **Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952, bookings allowed for special cases only, maximum 30 people. Social events not allowed.**

Fr. Sunday Evaristus, Fr. Sunday has come back from holidays, we thank the Lord for bringing him safe.

Walk with me Booklets for Advent 2020; Please pick a copy when you come for private prayers.

The Sower magazine; Please pick a copy for free.

The Catholic Universe: Please pay for the copy (£1.50)



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

Parish Newsletter –First Sunday of Advent 29th November 2020

'BE ON YOUR GUIDE, STAY AWAKE'

It is a common practice that in order to realise any given objective there should be preparation and a plan. Such arrangements help to avoid any risks and dangers that would hinder effective implementation of the plan and achievement of the objective. Preparation for any event is an essential component. Above everything else is our spiritual preparation to get ready to meet with Our Eternal Father. The Saviour of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ, was born to redeem us from the powers of evil in this world. We have all the reasons to prepare well to celebrate the great day. Advent is the four week period of waiting when we prepare to celebrate the first and second comings of our Saviour into the world. He is the Light of World who gives life to everything. How do we prepare to receive the Light of the World in a spiritual way?

Today we celebrate the 1st Sunday of Advent. The theme of the readings focuses on the invitation to be alert, watchful and vigilant in our spiritual preparation for the remembrance of Son of God coming to humanity. We are also looking forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. 'You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind...' (Is64:4). The ways of the Lord are; love, peace, justice and honesty. When we keep to the holy will of the Lord, we are certainly spiritually prepared to meet the Lord at the second coming and we will stand worthy to meet him. 'So, stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming...' (Mk13:35). We are called to stay awake like a gatekeeper illumined by the truth of the gospel and the life of Christ. We are expected to be merciful, gentle, peaceful, charitable and faithful. We should be able to denounce the world logic that contradicts God's plan for the universe, rejecting traits such as excessive materialism or indifference. We can stay awake, or be vigilant, when we keep to our sacramental life and follow the teachings of Holy Scriptures. As in the second reading, 'because God by calling you has joined you to his son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful'(1Cor1:9). We are called to be God's faithful children as we prepare to celebrate the great event our salvation.



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Parish Income

Gift aid: £ **Loose:** £ **Total** £

Candles: £ **Restoration:** £ **Piety stall** £

Heating: £ **Donations:** £ **Hall hire:**

Rent:£ **Cafod:**£

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, make your weekly offertory collection on any day of the week when you come for private prayers. Please place it in the box at the exit. Thank you for supporting the Church.

Offertory please place your offertory collections in the boxes as you exit the church. Thank you.

Second collection: Next Sunday the second collection for poor parishes of the diocese

The Christmas Bazaar : Due the current situation, the Christmas bazaar has been cancelled: You are encouraged to give your donations to support the restoration fund. Thank you for support.

300 Club November 2020 Draws Winners

First prize: 351 W Carson Second Prize: 392 C Samuels

Third prize: 279 P Keogh Fourth Prize: 382 M Jackson

The winner of 4th prize **M. Jackson** has donated the win to the parish funds

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

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK 29TH NOV– 6TH DEC 2020

Sat	28	11:45am 05:30pm	Jimmy Jordan Joyce and Clem Evans 50th Marriage Anniv. Ava Timmons intentions
Sun	29	11:30am	People of the parish Jimmy Jordan RIP
Mon	30	12:00pm	Catherine Cody (get well)
Tue	01	12:10pm	Jacinta Mascarenhas RIP
Wed	02	12:10pm	Anthony McGee sp int Valerie O'Brien B'day
Thurs	03	12:10pm	
Fri	04	12:10pm	
Sat	05	11:45am 05:30pm	
Sun	06	11:30am	Roman Pierzykowski RIP

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

05:30

Sunday

11.30am:

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.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Kennedy James, Flood Anthony and Jocelyn Caffery

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