

Parish News & Notices

The Second Sunday of Advent invites us to repentance and transformation of our ways of approaching life. Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. The way of the Lord is holy and we should strive for holiness in our lives.

The public Masses : Public Masses started 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.

Parish Projects : The church spire repair works have been completed. It has been a major expense on the parish. I request you dear parishioners to give your generous support to meet the expenses. Next year we shall also repair the water goods. Let us work together to keep our historical church well maintained.

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

Heating the church: As we are in 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.

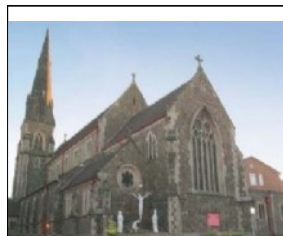
Fundraising resources: Parish Hall: For Hall hire, please call **Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952, bookings allowed for special cases only, maximum 30 people. Social events not allowed.**

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).

The Christmas Masses: Due to the current situation of the Covid-19 pandemic, we shall have three Masses. I will place forms for booking for the Masses at the back of the church. Please make an effort to book the time for which you will wish to attend.



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

Parish Newsletter –Second Sunday of Advent 6th December 2020

“PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD AND MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT “(Mk1:3).

The expectation of a better future is always the central concern for all human endeavours. It cuts across all aspects of life; politics, economics, scientific researches and socio-cultural domains. However, above everything else is the situation of our spiritual relationship with the author of life. By respecting and caring for the entire creation we will have peace of mind based on love and justice. Prophet Isaiah gives hope to the Israelites, who at a certain point of history felt discouraged and oppressed by either external or internal forces of evil and sin. 'Console my people, console them says your God' (Is40:1). The prophet redirected the attention of Israelite community to the way of the Lord.

Today we celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Advent. The theme of readings reminds us of repentance and transformation of our ways of approaching life. Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. The way of the Lord is holy. We are expected to show love, be honest, patient, generous and forgiving. If on the contrary the world is tainted with violence, hatred, disunity, unforgiveness and egocentric attitudes, then we need repentance about which John the Baptist preached. 'So it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins' (Mk1.4). As we prepare to celebrate the great day of human salvation, Advent is a season to reflect on our Christian promises that we made at baptism to reject evil in all its forms. We are called to revisit our baptismal promises and we should be ruled by the promptings of the Holy Spirit. If today, we still live in sin by resisting the holy teachings of the Lord under the pretext human freedom, then we need inner transformation of our lives. We need to remove the mountains of negative attitudes and fill the valleys of prejudice or hatred, so as to allow the light of Lord to flow into our hearts. "You should be living holy and saintly lives while you wait and long for the Day of God to come" (2Pt3:14).

Second Sunday in Advent



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Parish Income

Gift aid: £268 Loose: £115 Total £ 383

Candles: £53.80 Restoration: £56.50 Piety stall £

Heating: £ Donations: £60 Hall hire: £130

Rent: £1200 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: Today the second collection is 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.

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

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK 6TH –13TH DEC 2020

Sat	05	11:45am 05:30pm	Tom sp. Intentions
Sun	06	11:30am	People of the parish Roman Pierzykowski RIP
Mon	07	12:00pm	Dr. Martin Ucar intentions
Tue	08	12:10pm	Tony McKiernan RIP Shella Dunn RIP
Wed	09	12:10pm	SVP—deceased members
Thurs	10	12:10pm	Davis & Kennedy deceased family members
Fri	11	12:10pm	Davis family intentions
Sat	12	11:45am 05:30pm	Luke & John McKiernan sp intentions James Inglis RIP
Sun	13	11:30am	

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

05:30

Ann E & Bernadette

Sunday

11.30am:

School Children (N/A)

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:

Flood Joseph Anthony, Joycelyn Clare Caffery, Flynn John, Kavanagh Peter Martin and John Joseph Paul

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