

Parish News & Notices

Second Sunday of Lent year B: The readings focus on our obedience to God. Abraham, out of obedience and faith in God, was willing to sacrifice his only son Isaac. We are reminded to be obedient and listen to God, through the teachings of His only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus. We should pay attention to the Holy Scriptures, and teachings of the Church.

Every Friday of Lent, we shall have the Stations of the Cross in the church at 6:00pm. You are encouraged to follow on the webcam, if you are able, please come to the church.

The public Masses: Public Masses started on Wednesday 2nd December 2020. You are expected to strictly follow the regulations of safety. 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 as it is compulsory.**

Mass and Confessions programme at St. Osburg's Church:

From 2nd December 2020, please follow the programme below:

Saturday @ 5.30pm Public Mass

Sunday @ 11.30am Public Mass

Wednesday/Friday @ 12.10pm Public Mass

Monday to Friday @ 12.10pm Livestreamed Mass.

Saturday @ 11.45am. Livestreamed Mass

Confessions: Monday and Thursday @ 12:45pm-1:30pm

Change in weekday Masses: Due to the present situation, we have reduced the weekday public Masses to two; **Wednesdays** and **Fridays**. Tuesday we shall not have public Mass until the situation improves. The weekend Masses remain as usual.

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.

The Sacrament of Baptism: Due to the present situation, programme for the baptism of babies has been suspended until further notice.

Parish Projects: The church spire repair works have been completed. It has been a major expense for the parish. I request you dear parishioners to give your generous support to meet the expenses. This 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.sto-cov.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. These will all be live streamed not communal celebrations. It will be at 5pm on Thursday 4th March 2021.

Archdiocese of Birmingham Directory 2021. Please get a copy at £2.50 from the back of the church.

Walk with Me: Please pick a copy at the back of the church.

Fundraising resources: Parish Hall: For Hall hire, please call **Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952, bookings allowed for special cases only, maximum 15 people. Social events not allowed.**



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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'THIS IS MY SON, THE BELOVED. LISTEN TO HIM'.

Obedience to the rightful authorities is basic to the survival of any society. It is also a basic tool for effective social interaction. Families and national or international organisations can reach their desired goals if the members adhere to their duties and responsibilities. Above everything else in life, is our obedience to God. Our Christian faith requires obedience to the commandments, the teachings of the Holy Scriptures and the Church. 'It is better to obey Him, than to sacrifice the best sheep to Him' (1Sam 15:22). Obedience is a prerequisite to being faithful to God.

Today, we celebrate the 2nd Sunday of Lent. The readings focus on our obedience to God. Abraham, out of obedience and faith in God, was willing to sacrifice his only son Isaac. His obedience to God earned him greater blessings. In the gospel, at the event of the transfiguration of the Lord, a voice came from Heaven saying, 'This is my Son, The Beloved. Listen to him'. The voice invited the disciples to be obedient to the Son. It took place in the presence of the Old Testament prophets Moses and Elijah. The miracle indicated the fulfilment of the Old promises of the Messiah in Jesus. He came to liberate people from the oppression of sin and the darkness of life's problems. Saint Paul affirms the reality of God's loving protection by saying, 'With God on our side who can be against us?' (Rm8:31). When we remain obedient and faithful to God, we shall have the strength to endure problems such as those we experience today during the Covid-19 pandemic. The obedience to God, reminds us to respect and obey our leaders, both civil and religious. We are also called to be generous with our resources and to offer to God, in obedience, what ever we can in order to help the needy. We need to give our time and energies, without reservation, to serve God in our brothers and sisters just as Abraham did. The transfiguration pointed to the heavenly glory which awaits all of us. We are reminded to listen to the Son by observing our sacramental life practices reinforced by prayer, repentance and almsgiving.



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Parish Income

Gift aid: £Loose: £Total £

Candles: £ Restoration: £ Piety stall £

Heating: £ Donations: £ Hall hire: £

Rent:£ Cafod:£

Note: The income is of two weeks. Thank you for your generosity.

Donate your support/weekly collections to the parish online: Go to the par-

ish website and click on the page <https://sto-cov.org.uk/donate/>

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 you visit the church. 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.

300 Club February 2021 Draws Winners

First prize: 23 C Jones

Second Prize: 87 C Wilson

Third prize: 115 M Southern

Fourth Prize: 262 E Walsh

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

MASS TIMES DURING THE WEEK 28TH FEB - 7TH MARCH 2021

Sat	27	11:45am	William McCarthy RIP Mary McCarthy RIP
		05:30pm	PJ Barret RIP McCarthy family—deceased members
Sun	28	11:30am	People of the Parish Jolan Birthday intentions Yuete & John DeMello—Wedding Anniversary John D'Mello RIP
Mon	01	12:10pm	Liz Pitman (Get well) John Sullivan RIP
Tue	02	12:10pm	Jacinta Mascarenhas RIP Eamon Doyle RIP
Wed	03	12:10pm	Camillus Fernandes RIP
Thur	04	12:10pm	Kathleen Binion intentions
Fri	05	12:20pm	Fr. Bob Wright (1st Anniversary) RIP
Sat	06	11:45am	
		05:30pm	Christopher Duncan RIP Tom Rushe RIP
Sun	07	11:30am	People of the parish Lucy Brennan (Anniv) RIP

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

05:30

Ann E & Bernadette

Sunday

11.30am:

Jolan & Frank

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:

Anderson Robert, Patsy Byrne, O'Donnell Barbara, Chalmers John, Farish Brian & McCamphill Ruth