

Parish News & Notices

17th Sunday of the ordinary time year B: The theme of the readings invites us to reflect on Divine generosity and abundant providence. We are called to be generous to help the needy in this world.

World Day for Grandparents and the elderly: This Sunday next to the feast of the parents Blessed Virgin Mary, Joachim and Anne, the grand parents of our Lord Jesus, has been dedicated by the Holy Father, the Pope, to pray and remember the grandparents and the elderly.

Theme: **'I am with you always'**

Message from the Archbishop, as by the Bishops' Conference on Step 4 of the Government's Covid-19 response roadmap with effect from Monday 19th July: *Sunday – it is our Day* which says, "It is our continuing judgement, therefore, that it is not possible at the present time for all of the faithful to attend Mass on a Sunday thus fulfilling their duty to God. It is hoped that it will be possible for all Catholics in England and Wales to fulfil this most important Church precept, that of the Sunday Obligation, by the First Sunday in Advent 2021. In the meantime, all Catholics are asked to do their best to participate in the celebration of the weekly Sunday Mass and to reflect deeply on the centrality of Sunday worship in the life of the Church."

Caution

At this stage, it is important for us all to remember that although legislation is being relaxed, the pandemic is not yet over and there continues to be a duty of care for all who use our churches and other facilities. The guidance therefore seeks to ensure that, where opportunity permits, there is some degree of relaxation but there remains a cautious approach that encourages the continuation of social distancing, mask wearing and daily cleaning where these help to minimise risk and provide comfort and confidence to our people. What is important is that the emphasis is now on the corporate endeavour of all involved in our church life to maintain the exemplary good practice that has been exhibited over the past 15 months in our churches whilst moving into a freer expression of our church life, worship and mission.

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. **Weekday Masses have resumed as usual:** Monday /Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday /Friday @ 12.10pm Public Mass Saturday @ 11.45am. All Masses are live streamed. **Confessions: Thursday & Saturday after Mass**

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**

NOTE: This Church live streams Mass and other events.

The Parish New Contacts: The Parish has a new Website link <https://www.sto-cov.org.uk>

Email address: stosburg.covty@rcaob.org.uk

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GUTTER REPAIR WORKS COMPLETED

Your support is still required to meet the cost. We thank all those who continue to make generous donations to support this work.

Devotions: The Rosary takes place after the daily masses in the church. 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.

Fundraising resources: Parish Hall: For Hall hire, please call **Angelo Rodrigues on 07886456952, bookings allowed, maximum 50% of the capacity.**

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St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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'THE LORD GAVE OUT AS MUCH AS WAS WANTED...'

The survival of human life is dependant upon food as a source of nourishment, however, our life's needs are more than the physical. The Lord Jesus teaches us that, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God' (Matt4:4). Our holistic, integral life requires an equilibrium of all the aspects which affect its stability, including the physical, mental, psychological, emotional, social, economic and spiritual elements. We can experience hunger or thirst for any of these aspects of life at any moment. This hunger can only be fully satisfied by the living presence of the Holy Spirit in our life's journey. Hence, life's balance can be realised if we develop an authentic relationship with the Lord in prayer.

Today we celebrate the 17th Sunday. The readings direct us to reflect on the divine generosity and providence. In the first reading from the book of 2Kings, the generosity of God was manifested through the prayers of the prophet Elisha, who fed a hundred men from only twenty barley loaves. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people to eat; ... for the Lord says this, 'They will eat and have some left over' (2 Kings4:43). Prophet Elisha trusted in the Lord's providence and generosity and used the generosity of the man who offered the barley loaves. A similar situation is reflected in today's gospel, when Jesus fed five thousand men on five barley loaves and two fish from a generous small boy. We can draw a lot of spiritual meaning from these scriptural texts; that the Lord invites us to be generous and help others with our available resources. We should avoid selfish tendencies, but instead cultivate the spirit of self-sacrifice for the good of others by sharing our resources with the needy. We too are expected to trust in the Lord's abundance of grace and gifts, when situations seem impossible, such as feeding five thousand men with only five loaves and two fish. Today, we are reminded to renew our faith in the Holy Eucharist, by which the Lord feeds and strengthens our brokenness and discouragements due to life's burdens and problems. We should support each other and forgive one another in order to live balanced life. Saint Paul said, there is One Body, one Lord, one faith and one Baptism, we should therefore, support one another in life's journey.

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Parish Income

Gift aid: £ 90.60 Loose: £ 396.52 Total £ 487.12

Candles: £ 56.00 Restoration £ Piety stall £ 41.18

Heating: £ Gutters Gift Aid £ 267.00 Loose £ 49.10 Total £ 316.10

Rent: £ Cafod £ Papers: £ Hall hire £ 340.00 Mass cards £

Donate your support/weekly collections to the parish online: Go to the parish 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. I would like to encourage you to make more donations as we have started the repair of the gutters of the church. 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. Thank you for supporting the Church.

Offertory please place your offertory collections in the baskets next to you. Thank you.

300 Club July 2021 Draws Winners

First prize:	104	B. Stundon
Second Prize:	76	B. Armour
Third prize:	144	M. A. Bodkin

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

MASS TIMES DURING 25TH JULY- 01ST AUGUST 2021

Sat 24	11:45am	Angela McEntee (Retirement int) Pauline Sheehan (Get well)
	05:30pm	Patrick & Elizabeth Buckley (RIP) Charlie Browne (Special Int) People of the Parish
Sun 25	11:30am	Martin Brennan (Anniversary RIP) Gerry Joy (Anniversary RIP) Rony Ryan (RIP) Michael Haran (RIP)
Mon 26	12:10pm	Eddie Toye (RIP) Linda Sp Int
Tue 27	12:10pm	Martini Brennan (RIP Anniversary) Linda Sp Int
Wed 28	12:10pm	Max Gotman (Get well) Linda Sp Int Ryan Fenton (RIP)
Thur 29	12:10pm	Jenny Mc Donell (RIP) Luli & Noreen (Get well) Tadgh Mc Carthy (RIP)
Fri 30	12:10pm	Linda Sp Int Tim & Neil Kearne (Intentions)
Sat 31	11:45am	Deld Kitty & Daniel Mulvenna Family Cheri Dennison (RIP)
	05:30pm	John Coen (RIP 1st Anniversary) Mai Carr (Get well)
Sun 01	11:30am	Ellen (RIP) and Wilson Chere (RIP)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday

05:30

Bernadette & Ann E

Sunday

11.30am:

Janet & Jolan

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:

O'Reilly Patrick, Doyle Budgetel, Legggaie John, & Peter Moel Gostautas.