



Ss. Mary & Benedict RC Church, Coventry



The Parish is in the Care of the Apostles of Jesus Missionaries

Parish Newsletter—15th Sunday in Ordinary time- 14th to 21st July 24

PARISH FAMILY DAY: 22ND SEPTEMBER 2024

I have a fond attachment to September because 5th September is my father’s birthday. Please God, this year, my father, Marsiale Lwanga, will be 89 years old. As the new parish priest in this church, I have learnt that it is the month of choice for the celebrations of our annual Parish Family Day. I thank you for starting the advance preparations for it. You will notice that this year our parish family day is Sunday 22nd September. One significant question I invite you to look at is: What is in our parish family day?

It is important to consider that it is much more than a one-off event, it is a celebration of the life of our parish. This means that it is a climax of everything that is happening among us as a people that share a common origin, progress, and goals. As in a natural family, every member enjoys the benefits of the bond of love so also in our parish community, we have the bond of a common life in the Holy Spirit that constantly invites us to share a life inspired by gospel values and our celebrations of the sacraments of mercy. For the parish family day to be meaningful, every member must share in it: that is to say, each one has to bring something to it and will also receive something from it.

We do not want our family day to be impersonal or superficial, it is a celebration of life: the life of each individual and our life as a community. In our parish what affects an individual also affects the rest. Of course, there may have been moments that have gone unnoticed because those concerned kept them to themselves. There are other moments that were brought to the attention of our community. We shall celebrate all of those. On the Family Day, we shall acknowledge the gifts we have received as a parish; we shall celebrate our successes and learn from people who are inspiring us. We shall also acknowledge some weaknesses and failures and resolve to overcome them as we move forward.

With this message, I launch the beginning of the preparations for our parish family day and invite you to bring ideas that will make it meaningful to each parish member. Remember, it is not a one-off but a climax of everything that is happening in our life as the community of God’s people in this parish.

Fr. Aloysius

MASSES— 14th to 21st July 2024

Sun	14	9.30am	Joseph & Grace Iluobe (B’day remembrance) Zoey Irianan , Samuel Akhionbare (B’day)
		11.30am	Mary Rose DeVera , Suzy Ngassa (Thanksgiving), Maslynn, Djoukang, Rosalyne (B’day thanksgiving) Francis Kimani Karobia (RIP)
Mon	15	12.00noon	Members of the Monday club (Thanksgiving) Nigel Rowley (RIP), Brendan Keane(2nd Anniv)
Tues	16	9.30am	Christie O’Connor Sr. (RIP), Bridgit Keane (Anniv)
Wed	17	9.30am	Sr. Nelly Grasso (RIP)
Thurs	18	9.30am	Mary Toner (RIP), Jinny Vaz (B’day)
Fri	19	9.30am	Christie O’Connor Jr. (RIP)
Sat	20	9.30am	Sr. Adelia Pinto (RIP), Yvonne Martha Mapuranga (B’day)
Sun	21	9.30am	Roque Xavier Almeida & Esperance D’Costa (RIP)
		11.30am	Mary Rose DeVera (Thanksgiving)

Lectors

	<u>14/07/2024</u>	<u>21/07/2024</u>
9.30am	Elizabeth H., James M. (R)	Noami, Desma (R)
11.30am	Christiana, Mary (R)	Ivan, Tasha (R)

Eucharistic Ministers

	<u>14/07/2024</u>	<u>21/07/2024</u>
9.30am	Sophie D.	Cath Slatter
11.30am	Loveness, Patricia	Frank, Lilian

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD

The sick of the Parish: Rose Hogan, Norah Griffith, Gerard Griffith, Ann Crowley, Christopher Browne, Bridie McAndrew, Teresa McAffer, Chinasa Okosi, John Crawford, Mr. Tran, Owen Darroch, Lucia Drabik.

Anniversaries during the week : Kitty Denny, Cissie Allen, Owen Ferry, Margaret Wood, Josephine Duffy, Luz Alba Florez de Taylor, Mary Reid, Clive Omatseyin Ede, Josephine Shanley, Nora Nugent, Elizabeth Call, Patrick Michael McNicholas, Kevin Byrne, Michael O’Brien, Michael James Murphy, Joe Ryan, James Swan, Noel Dyas, Robert Dunham, Nancy Notaro.

Reflection for Ordinations Week: An ordination – like a marriage or religious profession – is always a moment to rejoice, but it is also the moment when we witness God powerfully at work amongst us. Through the Prayer of Ordination, the man kneeling before the Altar is conformed to the image of Jesus, as his whole life reflects His love for us.

*They strive to be conformed to the image of Christ himself
and offer you a constant witness of faith and love.*

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YOU ARE MOST WELCOME to our Parish Church. If it is your first time here or probably you have been here before, your presence with us at this moment at our community worship is greatly appreciated. Our Parish Church is the second to be built in Coventry after the Protestant Reformation. It was built in 1893, the pews have never moved since then! Our Musical Pipe Organ was inaugurated in 1898, it was the best of its kind at the time. Our parish has had thirteen parish priests since 1889. Our Parish welcomes you to promote initiatives that build up and sustain our faith community.

Parish Development

07/07/24: Gift Aid :£108.00 Dona: £264.00 Non-Gift Aid: £ 312.43 Total: £684.43

SO (Jun): £ 1998.00 Second collection -A J : £354.99 Thank you and may God bless you all.

2nd collections 14th July- Apostleship of the Sea.

Bonus Ball : No. 54—Sue Darrock

Mass Attendance : 310

Choir practice : Fri— 7.30pm

Church cleaning: 7.30am

Confessions: Saturday— 10.10–11.00am (& by appointment)

Pious Devotions : Divine Mercy - Last Thursday of every month at 6pm

Legion of Mary: Meet every Sunday after 11.30am Mass

CUSA weekly prayers: Every Thursday at 6.00pm.

SAFEGUARDING : The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Perpetua Sam & Asipita Iroko. They can be contacted at: sg.stmary-stbenedict.covty@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

CHILDREN OF PRIMARY SCHOOL AGE: must be accompanied by an adult if they need to leave the church to use the toilets during Mass or other Church services. Also, please do not let children of this age go near the votive candle stands unaccompanied, and do not let them run round the car park. It is important that we do everything to ensure that accidents do not happen. Thanks you for your help in keeping our children safe.

CHURCH NOTICES

HE SENT THEM - We read in the Gospel: 'Jesus summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs, giving them authority over unclean spirits' (Mk, 6:7). We are reminded of our call to be prophets to the people of our age.

PRIESTLY ORDINATION AT ST CHAD'S— Please pray for Andrew Foster and Antony Hartley, of St George's Worcester, and Andrej Rusnak, of St Mary & St Egin's, Evesham, in your prayers as they prepare for Ordination at St Chad's this Sunday afternoon. Please also pray for **David Bench (baptised here at St Mary and St Benedict in 1987)** who has been studying in Rome, as he prepares for ordination to the Priesthood at St Chad's on Saturday 20 July at 12noon. You are invited to join the live streamed Masses from St Chad's Cathedral: <https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/>

THE MASS OF EPISCOPAL ORDINATION of Mgr Timothy Menezes and Canon Richard Walker, will be live streamed from St Chad's Cathedral at **12noon on Tuesday 16 July**. You are welcome to join the live stream on the Cathedral website: <https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/>

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE APOSTLES OF JESUS MISSION APPEAL
Last Sunday's Mission Appeal for training the seminarians of the Apostles of Jesus Missionaries collection came to £355.00. We sincerely appreciate your generosity.

FR. REGINALD @24 YEARS: On Friday, 12th July, Fr. Reginald Tarimo, AJ, celebrated the 24th anniversary of his priestly ordination. He has this to say: "Priesthood is a call which thrives on sacrifice, humility, obedience, daily prayer and trust in Jesus. This is my witness this time and always. It is wonderful living my priestly calling in the ecclesial community which is: 'a chosen race, a kingdom of priests, a holy nation a people to be a personal possession to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light'" (1 Pt. 2:9).

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR CATHOLIC GRADUATES

We are starting the graduation week, and in advance congratulate all students who have successfully completed their studies. In thanksgiving to God, we shall celebrate next Sunday's 11.30am Mass in thanksgiving. There will be a short reception for the graduates and members of the University Catholic Students Association.

BAPTISM SESSIONS: For parents with children to be baptised - the next session will be 20th July at 11.00am in the Lady Chapel. Parents and god parents are requested to be present for the session.

CWA Cameroon is celebrating its 60th anniversary worldwide on Sunday 28th July. As a result, CWA Cameroon is inviting all parishioners to join them in the parish hall for a cup of tea, coffee and snacks after the 11.30am Mass. Let us join them in celebrating this milestone as they continue to follow the footsteps of our Mother Mary 'To serve and not to be served'.

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT: We regret to announce the death of Mr. Francis Kimani Karobia, which occurred on Tuesday 9th July in Kenya. Our condolences to Terry Kimani for the loss of her father. We extend our deep felt condolences to the bereaved family and pray for Francis Kimani to rest in eternal peace.