

## Parish News & Notice

**14th Sunday:** Today we celebrate the 14th Sunday, the readings remind us to be brave and courageous in living our Christian faith and to face rejection with hope.

**Contactless Payment machine:** We have the machine for our parish located in our Church. You can make any donations to support our parish by your debit or credit cards on contactless, just as you do in the super markets. Please ask for help to guide you, if you are not sure. You can also donate on line:



<https://donate.mydona.com/st-osburgs-rc-church> or use the QR code. You can also gift aid all donations.

**The Dona Machine can now accept donations, do so online.**

*The contactless Dona machine at the church is not working well, please for the moment use your phone, computer or tablet for the donations by scanning the*

*QR code on the Newsletter.*

## Mass & Confessions

**Weekday Masses @ 12:10pm**, except Saturday at 11:45am. : **Weekend Masses Saturday @ 4.30pm**: Sunday @ 11.30am & 6:00pm. **Confessions on, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday after Mass at 12:30pm. No confessions after Vigil Mass on Saturdays. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** on Fridays and Saturdays 10:45am to 11:45am, first Thursday and last Sunday of the month 5:00pm. I encourage all parishioners to attend.

**Livestream:** YouTube: <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/5AOCwuzTdT00FINBwRwwmBxvtgayKs0BNIK1vZN7> or MCN: <https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-osburgs-church-coventry> See website for more information: <https://sto-cov.org.uk/live-streaming/>

**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 @ 6pm.

**300 CLUB,** more members are invited to join it to support the parish, please approach, **Pat C., Maria** and **Jesuina** to join the club.

**All parishioners who have specific roles/ duties:** Sacristans, Altar servers, Readers, Extra-ordinary ministers of the Eucharist, Gift collections team, Choir members, Ushers and the rest should inform the Parish Priest through their specific leaders in case of an absence from duty. I request for your sincere cooperation. Dear parents, please support your children who serve at the Altar. Liturgy requires commitment and dedication.

**Fr. Sunday's Holidays in Uganda.** He will take his holidays from 7th July until 2nd week of August. We pray for him.

**Piety Stall—New items:** Mass cards for all occasions, including Easter cards, St. Patrick cards and welcome to Church cards. Statues, Rosary beads, candles plus many other items.

**ADORATION & BENEDICTION every Sunday at 5:00PM;** please come and join us.

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



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

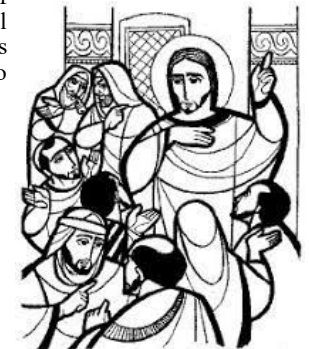
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## PROPHETIC MESSAGE AND REJECTION!

The authentic prophetic messages remind us of the right way to follow the Divine law of love and respect for His creation. In most cases, due to the human faculty of free will, humanity is derailed from following the eternal law of love. The inconsistencies we can experience today are in contradiction to Divine love and are reflected in violence, wars, open disagreements, disunity, hatred, injustice, excessive materialism, consumerism and open scepticism. To find our way back to God we need strong prophetic messages to inform our conscience regarding the moral, spiritual and social aspects of our lives. It is not until we find the reason why we live, that we can begin to experience the joy of life amidst its challenges. Above all, as Christians, we are supposed to be prophetic in our actions and deeds so that we can demonstrate the law of love. It is worth noting that we shall face rejections in trying to follow the truth of life. Our Christian vocation and mission are not for the comfort and ease of life. The truth of the Gospel of Christ that we follow will place us on the wall of rejection to face insults just like Our Lord Jesus who was rejected and condemned to a shameful death on the cross. Many times, we say "The truth is bitter." Our Lord Jesus encouraged his disciples to be brave by saying "I have told you all this, so that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have suffering. But take courage! I have overcome the world" (Jn16:33).

As we celebrate the 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday, the readings remind us to be brave and courageous in living our Christian faith and to face rejection with hope. Just as the Lord encouraged prophet Ezekiel to address the rebellious Israelites with strong words not to fear. 'The Lord says this.' Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them' (Ezk2:5). Our Christian practices should show our loyalty and commitment to living a holy life and rejecting sin in all its forms. The gospel gives a similar lesson of rejection and the determination of the Jesus to continue with his Divine mission, though he was despised by his home town people. The Lord said, "A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and his house" (Mk6:4). As commonly said, 'Familiarity brings contempt.' This can also be a danger for us today. When we freely and carelessly comment about our leaders of the Church, showing no respect, then we may fail to accept their prophetic message to form our lives. We can live in spiritual aridity and obscurity if we become familiar with the leaders of faith, thinking that we know all about them. Let us try to develop trust and respect for our faith leaders and for everyone we encounter in life. May the Lord give us courage to face challenges of faith with hope.

**Fr. Pontius Bandua AJ**



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**Parish Safeguarding Representative:** Anne Collins 024 7667 0304  
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**Headteacher:** Mrs Nicola Rynott.

**Safeguarding Statement:** *The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is [ ]. They can be contacted at: [safeguarding email] or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 01212306240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.*

#### **Parish Income**

**Gift aid £240 Loose £383.67 Dona £258 Total £881.7**

**Candles £104.25 Church Maintenance £ 81.71**

**Hall Hire £150 Rent £450 Piety Stall £80 2nd Collection Peter's Pence £256.76**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

#### **June**

#### **2024 Winners of 300 Club**

**1st Prize: 057 M Ruddy**

**2nd Prize: 159 R Wilson**

**3rd Prize: 251 P Poretta**

**Maintenance of the Church:** Please make your donations to maintain the church in the usual box at the wall. Thank you.

**Apostles of Jesus Missionaries Support UK**, is a **Registered Charity (No. 1205905)**, in England and Wales with the purpose of giving financial support to young men above 18 years who wish to become missionary priests and Brothers. The dwindling number of priests is a great concern for every Catholic who loves his/her faith. While there are few vocations in the West, God is inspiring many youth from other parts of the world to offer their lives as missionaries. It is these that we ask for your support. You can become a missionary without leaving your home by sponsoring a seminarian to become a missionary priest. His Grace the Archbishop of Birmingham has authorised the Apostles of Jesus to take two **Second** collections in the parishes where they serve every year for the training of their seminarians. These will be taken on **9th June** and **10th November** respectively. Fr. Jimmy Lutwama AJ, P.P St. Mary & Benedict. 07906124756.

**Catholic Herald Magazine** is back in our parish: Please buy a copy for reflections on our faith and Church. Each copy is £5.

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

#### **MASS TIMES DURING 07TH-14TH JULY 2024**

Sat 06	04:30pm	Marian Pinkett RIP Jerry O'Mahoney RIP
Sun 07	11:30am	People of the Parish Agnus McGuire RIP
	06:00pm	Sr. Eileen Friel RIP
Mon 08	12:10pm	William McDonald RIP Holy Souls
Tue 09	09:00am	
Wed 10	12:10pm	Barbara Marsland sp int.
Thur 11	12:10pm	
Fri 12	12:10pm	
Sat 13	11:45am	
	04:30pm	
Sun 14	11:30am	
	06:00pm	

**Sacramental preparations:** Please call the parish numbers for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage and RCIA arrangements: Meeting every Friday from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

#### **Lectors**

**Saturday:**

**Sunday:**

**Eucharistic minister:** Catherine/ Agnelo/ Bernadette/ Maggie

#### **Sunday Mass at 6:00pm**

**Readers:** C . Christine & Jonathan

**Eucharistic minister:** Vivien / Marie

**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:**

Catherine Josephine, Mary Stanton, McCafferty John, & Lacy Nora

#### **New Prayer groups: You are invited to join the prayer groups:**

1. **Holy Face of Jesus devotion** . Meetings on every Tuesday at 6:30pm 2. **Bible Study /Prayer Group** : meetings will resume until notified. 3. **Rosa Mystica** on the 13th of every month 2pm to 3pm. 4. **Legion of Mary** Thursday at 6pm.