

Parish News & Notice

19th Sunday: As we celebrate the 19th Sunday, the theme of the readings invites us to reflect on Jesus as the bread of life.

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

Q 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 every Sunday at 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.

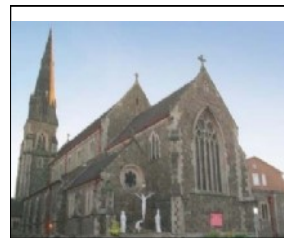
300 CLUB," more members are invited to join it to support the parish, please approach, **Pat C., Maria and Jesuina** to join the club.

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.

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.

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St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

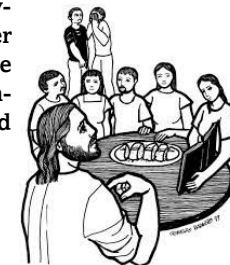
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'I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE'

The bread of life signifies the spiritual sustenance of our real lives centred on the promises of God. At the very beginning of human life, God created man and breathed life into him. "Then the Lord God formed man, of dust drawn from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life and man became a living being" (Gen2:7). Our life originates from God and it is sustained by Him. Just as we need material bread to sustain our physical life, the bread that endures for everlasting life and unites us with the Divinity, is spiritually drawn from Jesus Christ our Lord, the Saviour of the world. The spiritual bread is received through faith and belief in the Lord. It is in the spiritual realm. Jesus said, 'I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life.' (Jn6:47-48). Our eternal life is dependent upon the bread of life given to us by our Lord Jesus Christ, through his life, teachings and instructions. Our sacramental commitments should revive and renew us spiritually when we receive them, more so when we receive the Eucharist. May we therefore, deepen our devotion and reverence to receive the bread of life in the Holy Eucharist, with pure minds and bodies.

As we celebrate the 19th Sunday, the theme of the readings invites us to reflect on Jesus as the bread of life. The real life is sustained by God's love and mercy. In the first reading (1Kings19:4-8), the prophet Elijah was escaping from the danger caused by Jezebel. He was sustained by the bread brought to him by an angel sent by God. It is an indication that God provides for all our needs. We should trust and hope in him always. It is a similar instructions given by Jesus when he said, 'Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world' (Jn6:51). In the modern world we need some assurances and hope for life. Our world yearns for peace, justice, forgiveness and understanding. Unless the words of Jesus, as the bread of life, are taken seriously we shall continue to experience mayhem in world communities. We should always follow what Saint Paul has mentioned in the second reading, 'Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody.....' Be friends with one another and kind, forgive each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ' (Eph4:30-31). As we receive the bread of life in the Holy Eucharist, we should be transformed interiorly holy in the body and spirit (soul), manifested in our good actions and attitudes.

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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 if you have any concern.*

Parish Safeguarding Representative (PSR) : I would like to request who ever is willing to serve the parish as the Parish Safeguarding Representative, please call me or approach me at the office. I would like thank Ann Collins for the wonderful work done for the parish all the years she has served.

Parish Income

Gift aid £202.45 Loose £501.19 Dona £175 Total £878.64
Candles £72.51 Church Maintenance £60.26
Hall Hire £480 Rent £450 Piety Stall £

Thank you for your generosity.

July 2024 Winners of 300 Club

1st Prize: 014 M Fernandes
2nd Prize: 165 S Fernandes
3rd Prize: 263 S Thomas

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 11TH-18TH AUGUST 2024

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| Sat 10 | 04:30pm | Special intention for a child Theresa Clarke RIP |
| Sun 11 | 11:30am | People of the parish Mary Theresa Birthday int. Adam Keane RIP |
| | 06:00pm | Arthur Burton Sp int |
| Mon 12 | 12:10pm | Rosemarie Towers birthday intention. Gordon Steele RIP |
| Tue 13 | 12:10pm | Carmel & Seamus McNulty Willie Stokes RIP |
| Wed 14 | 12:10pm | |
| Thur 15 | 12:10pm | Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Clare Farrell RIP Pat Tynan RIP |
| | 06:00pm | Gordon Steele RIP Henry Devine RIP |
| Fri 16 | 12:10pm | |
| Sat 17 | 11:45am | |
| | 04:30pm | |
| Sun 18 | 11:30am | People of the Parish Gordon Steele RIP |
| | 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:
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

James Delargy, Emmanuel Gerald, Margaret Mary B Dunleavy & Jane Mulligan

Death Announcement: **Mary Cassidy**, died recently and we pray for her and the family. The body will be received into the church on Sunday 18th August at 5pm, and Mass will be on Monday 19th at 10:30am.

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** :
3. **Rosa Mystica** on the 13th of every month 2pm to 3pm.
4. **Legion of Mary** Thursday at 6pm.