

Parish News & Notice

26th Sunday: World day of prayer for Migrants and refugees: Theme for this Sunday, : God walks with his people, The images of biblical exodus and of migrants share several similarities. Like the people of Israel in the time of Moses, Migrants often flee from oppression, abuse, insecurity, discrimination and lack of opportunities for development, similar to the Jews in the desert, migrants encounter many obstacles in their path: they are tried by thirst and hunger they are exhausted by toil and disease, they are tempted by despair (Message of Pope Francis)



Note: A new lectionary:

A new edition of the lectionary using the English Standard version– Catholic edition and the Abbey Psalms and Canticles will come into use in England and Wales on the first Sunday of Advent, 1st December. **Fr Allen Morris provides reflections in the weeks leading up to its introduction.**

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.

Parish Consultative meeting: I would like to thank all those who turned up for the meeting last Wednesday. I am glad to inform you, that we have nominated the steering committee to plan for the Parish Pastoral Council Formation later in the next few months.

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. We continue after 13th October 2024.

Livestream: YouTube: <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/5AOCwuzTdT00FjNBwRwwmBxvtqayKs0BNiK1vZN7> or MCN: <https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-osburgs-church-coventry> See website for more information: <https://sto-cov.org.uk/live-streaming/>

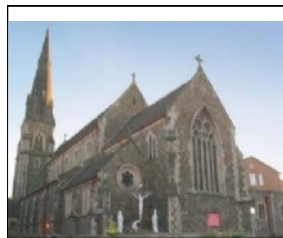
Devotions: The Rosary takes place after the daily masses in the church. Eucharistic Adoration is on Friday and Saturday. Vespers and Benediction are on the First Thursday of every month and on the Last Sunday of every month @ 6pm.

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

Some adjustments during my holidays: The church will be closed immediately after the daily Masses, no weekly adorations/exposition of the B. Sacrament on Friday to Sunday; Baptism, RCIA and Marriage preparations will resume after 15th October 2024. **No hall lettings or bookings for the public until 12th October. The hall will be used for prayer meetings and other parish activities only.**

Season of creation 2024 To hope and Act with creation:

Education in environmental responsibility can encourage ways of acting which directly and significantly affect the world around us, such as avoiding the use of plastic and paper, reducing water consumption, separating refuse, cooking only what can reasonably be consumed showing care for other living beings using public transport or car-pooling, planting trees turning off unnecessary lights or any number of other practices. All of these reflect a generous and worthy creativity which brings out the best in human beings: (Laudato Si no 212)



St. Osburg's



A.J Missions



St Mary's



St Elizabeth's

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THE CALL TO HOLINESS AND THE OBSTACLES!

According to the teachings of the Church, as drawn from her eternal leader our Lord Jesus, all of us are called to be holy. It is the means of achieving eternal salvation. Jesus said, 'Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect' (Matt5:28). On a similar note, the Catholic Catechism states that, 'All Christians in any state or walk of life are called to the fullness of Christian life and to the perfection of charity. All are called to holiness' (CCC 2013). To achieve some level of perfection in life, we should be aware of the obstacles that hinder or block the path to holiness. These may among others include self-seeking ambitions, pride, jealousy, lack of charity, doubts, unfaithfulness, materialism, selfishness and reckless behaviour. As Christians, we are invited to be generous, charitable, tolerant and accommodating and seek to consider each person that we meet as a child of God, not as 'other people.' Jesus corrected the erroneous view of the disciples who felt bad when someone other than them was casting out devils in Jesus' name. He said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us' (Mk9:38-39). We should work together and promote the good of each other as the disciples of the Lord.

As we celebrate the 26th Sunday, the theme of the readings invites us to be faithful disciples of the Lord. We should at same the time be sources of inspiration for others and not act as obstacles to their holy living. Our actions should align with our belief. In the first reading, Moses encouraged the Israelites to be messengers of hope by taking prophetic roles, like Eldad and Medad, who had not gone to the tent but received the same spirit for prophecy. Joshua requested Moses to stop them. Instead, Moses replied, 'Are you jealous on my account?' (Num11:25-29). It is a similar instruction that Jesus gave to the disciples as described in the Gospel. When they tried to stop a man who was casting devils in Jesus' name He said to the disciples 'Anyone who is not against us is for us' (Mk9:39). These excerpts are relevant to us today, because sometimes we are tempted to judge others as not worthy to do certain things. We take the place of God to judge and stop others from expressing their faith. We instil fear in some people by our comments and attitudes. In this way, we may become obstacles to someone's path of holiness. May we, therefore, be sources of inspiration and hope, by our example of generosity and charity. We should pay attention to what Saint James mentions, 'All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body (Jas5:3). We should use our wealth wisely and share it by caring for the needy. In this way we will initiate the joys of the heavenly kingdom.

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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 [redacted]. 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 Income

Gift aid £ 118.00 Loose £ 346.82 Dona £ Total £
Candles £71.38 Church Maintenance £47.29 Piety Stall £ 63.55
Second collection £225.36 St Osburg's Day £ 170.47

Thank you for your generosity.

Next Sunday there may be a voluntary second collection for CAFOD

PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

Important: This afternoon at **3pm to 5pm** there will be workshop for the new lectionary at Mary and Benedict church for all readers, and those who are interested in finding out about the new lectionary. The session will be led by Fr Allen.

BLESSING OF GRAVES: Will take place at Canley **6th**, *St Pauls* **13th oct**, *London Rd* **20th Oct**, and *Lintons Lane* **27th oct**. time from **2pm**.

Bishop's Richard walker visit in our Deanery:

At our lady of Assumption Coventry **9th Oct, 7Pm**, At Sacred Heart Coventry

10th Oct, 7pm At Our Lady of Angels, Nuneaton **16th Oct 7pm**, At Christ the King Coventry **17th Oct 7pm**. You are all welcome.

Five sessions of shared prayer and reflection On pope Francis Apostolic Letter Gaudete Exultate: At St Osburg's Hall. Our Hall: dates: **7th oct**, **14th Oct.**, **21st oct 4th Nov**, and **11th Nov** Time **7Pm –8:30 Pm**. If you are interested contact: **Barbara McGowan** 07528644617 or **Paschal Somers** 07403625292.

The Knights of St Columba, invites st Osburg's to send 2 representatives in a deanery quiz. Entry by ticket is £10 for each team. And £1 entry to come and support your team. Venue at Christ the king date **18th Oct** time **7:30 Pm**.

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

MASS TIMES DURING:29TH SEP—6TH OCT 2024

Sat 28th : 4:30pm People of the parish

Sun 29th : 11:30am Thomas Pinto R I P & Michael Gleason R I P (Bday memorial)

6:00pm P. Connor Special Intention.

Mon 30th: 12:10pm David Parnell R I P & Liz Kane Special Int.

Tue 1st : 12:10pm John O Luke Int (**OCTOBER MONTH OF ROSARY**)

Wed 2nd : 12:10pm Anthony Tobin R I P

Thur 3rd : 12:00pm Anne Mochery Intention.

Fri 4th : 12:10pm Phylis Int

Sat 5th : 11:45am Magreth Rappai R I P

4:30pm Anne Gundy Int

Sun 6th: 11:30am Margaret Mc Gee R I P, Marjorie Thatcher R I P and Tom Walsh R I P

6:00pm For the Success of the October Synod In Rome.

Sacramental preparations: Please call the parish numbers for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage and RCIA arrangements: Meeting every Friday from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. We shall resume after 13th October 2024.

Lectors

Saturday: Hope/ Sharlene **Sunday:** Jolan/Uzo
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
Margaret Tyrrell, Richard James Henegman

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 Resumes on 11/09/24:** 3. **Rosa Mystica** on the 13th of every month 2pm to 3pm. 4. **Legion of Mary** Thursday at 6pm.

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