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Holy Mass Year C. Psalter Week 3

Sat 31st 6:00pm Sr Cecelia Johnson Platinum Jubilee

Sun 1st 9:15am John Ross RIP - Zacharia's Family Thanksgiving

Children's Liturgy begins in the Hall before Mass

Refreshments in the Hall after 9:15am Mass

Sun 1st 11:00am Pro Populo - Carmel Cauchi RIP

Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:05am led by parishioners

Mon 2nd 10:00am Requiem for Kathleen Dale

Tue 3rd 9:30am Pope Leo XIV Thanksgiving—Mary Skidmore RIP *Ss Charles
Lwanga & Companions*

3rd 9:30am St Thomas More School Mass Year 8

Wed 4th 9:30am Theresa Devaney RIP

4th 9:30am OLST School Mass Years 2 & 4

Thu 5th 9:30am Michael Coffey RIP *St Bonafice*

Fri 6th 9:30am Soul of Grandparents - Amir Jamadhar RIP

Sat 7th 9:30am & 11:00am First Holy Communion

Sat 10.00 Exposition of the blessed sacrament & confessions:

* Mass intentions envelopes and Mass cards at the Piety Shop.

Let us Pray to the Lord

For the sick:

Marie Lewis, Mary Browner, David Marsh, Kirsty Kalnins, Codey Darlison, Cynthia Mallabone, David Reeves, Joan Hanlon, Margaret Berkmore, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong, Jim Jarvis, Martin Reed, Alice Guiney, Abi Glenn, Mick Broadaway, Carol Wright, Caelan Shannon.

For all those in hospital and parishioners who receive the Blessed Sacrament at home.

For the recently departed:

Anniversaries week beginning : 1st June 2025

John Bayliss, Richard Blake, Patricia Evans, Catherine oward, Sheila Underhill, Dorothy Iwaniw, Lewis Brown, Veronica Stanley, Ava Proctor, Aileen Davis, Helen Leedham, Sue Greaves, Elizabeth Barbaro, Leslie Wilson, Raman Scandolo, John Zadwirny, Fr Peter Gallagher & Kathleen Ison.

Clergy Anniversaries:

Rev William O'Brien, Rev Benedict Tarbuck, Rev John Crean, Canon Harry Bouchier & Rev Peter Gallagher.

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BENEDICTUS QUI VENIT IN NOMINE DOMINI

We have always said these words which literally translated into English mean "*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*" This coming week on Wednesday 3rd June, the Archdiocese of Birmingham will receive and welcome two missionary priests of the Religious Missionary Institute of the Apostles of Jesus: Fr. Pius Mmanda Junior AJ, and Fr. Robert M. Karyamarwaki AJ. These are young men, who are for the first time separated from their families, friends and countries and sent to a mission land. This is their first assignment and their first experience on how to work as missionaries. Separation is painful and it creates anxiety in the hearts of those involved. Seeing them off, will make their parents to wish and to pray, that wherever their sons go, they will find someone with open arms to receive them. The priests too, looking in the eyes of their ageing parents will wonder whether that is the last time they are seeing them! But missionary life is wonderful, mysterious and immensely rewarding. Can you imagine the greatness of going forth in the name of the Lord! What can be greater than that?

Our parish has been put in the spotlight. When I spoke with the superior of our Institute, he said: "*Fr. Jimmy I'm sending to you two young priests, because according to what you spoke to us about your mission in England, the people will take care of them.*" I consider this a compliment, but also as a providential challenge to help the new priests to settle in their work without anxiety. We are extremely blessed that they will begin their ministry here among us, but remember that the first impression always becomes an everlasting memory. What would you like these young priests to remember our parish for?

Let us try our best to learn from them as they will try to learn from us. To the people of this country, English language is their vernacular, you don't need to go to school to speak it, and speaking it is not a proof that someone went to school. If we find their English not good enough, charity requires, that we appreciate first their efforts to have learned something, and that it is our duty to teach them to improve. Cynical criticism is not charitable at any time. I remember as a little boy when English, Irish and Italian missionaries came to our villages, how eager we were to teach them. They pronounced our names, words and sentences which we would have considered as offensive but we never took offence. We were aware that they were learners without any intention to offend us. This should be a principle for every Christian community that receives missionaries, they come to us in the name of the Lord.

Missionaries are not invaders, or agents to 'take-over' our churches. When they come to our country, it is a sure proof that our own people who went to them as missionaries, did their work. Secondary the coming of missionaries should evoke within us the desire to re-evangelise ourselves as our forefathers did. Missionary priests and Nuns are here to support us just for a moment. As your priest, I will consider my ministry among you a failure, if young people do not feel the desire to take on the work that I'm doing. Let us encourage them.

I pray that this parish becomes a missionary parish, how I wish that all of us became missionaries because we go forth in the name of the Lord. Meanwhile I thank you for supporting "*The Apostles of Jesus Missionaries Support UK*" our Charity that financially support those who feel called to missionary life and to transport them to their places of assignment.

Fr. Jimmy Lutwama AJ Parish Priest.

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Contact the parish office for the Sacraments of Marriage and Baptism.
Hall Bookings, Gift Aid and all general enquiries.

The Parish Team:

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Presentation Sisters : Sr Therese, Sr Jacinta & Sr Helen 024 76350615
Parish Secretary: Ms Stephanie Taunton (Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm)

Schools: Our Lady and St Josephs School TEL: 024 76383807
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SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our parish Safeguarding Representative: Christine Scullion sg.oloangels.nuneaton@rcaob.org.uk Alternatively if you have any concerns please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team 0121 230 6240 email safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk.

FINANCE: Second Collection: 1st June Catholic Communications

Parish Finances week beginning 25/5/24

COLLECTION:	£802.25	of which Gift Aid	£365.49
FABRIC FUND:	£434.56	of which Gift Aid:	£237.34
MAY Tap & Go:	£618.40	of which Gift Aid:	£409.40
MAY STANDING ORDER:	£2241.67		

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Sunday 24/25th May Mass attendance 549

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun—Jun 8th	Pentecost Feast
Mon - Jun 2/9/16th	Meditation 7:30pm
Tue - Jun 3rd	RCIA Final session
Tue - Jun 10/24th	Seniors after Mass
Wed - Jun 18th	Coffee morning after Mass
Wed - June 4/11/25th	Bible Class after morning Mass
Sat—Jun 21st	7:30-9:30pm CAFOD Fundraiser with John Hart

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE:

Ordination Jubilees: Fr. John O'Brien completed 40 years of his Ordination last year. He was ordained in 1984. Deacon Michael Skidmore is celebrating his silver jubilee of ordination to the permanent diaconate this year 2025. All of us know how dear these two parishioners are to us. This being a jubilee year, it is important that we offer a thanksgiving Mass as a Parish for their fidelity. We shall do this on our Parish thanksgiving day which will take place on 31st August 2025. This is another good reason for us to come together.

Parish Day of Prayer for Vocations: the archbishop has asked all parishes throughout the diocese to pray for vocations. Our day to pray for this cause will be on Tuesday 17th June 2025 starting from 9:30am. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed through out the day. Please come and spend some time praying for laborers in the vineyard of the Lord.

Novena to the Holy Spirit will run from the 31st May to 8th June, we will be praying the novena as a parish. Please take a prayer card per family and pray the prayers each day. We will also be praying every day at the end of Mass so remember to bring your prayer card with you.

Our Annual Pentecost celebration will take place on 8th June at 12:30pm. A gentle reminder, that all food is donated by those who will be serving, so please be generous with your donations, which will be going to support the Apostles of Jesus in their missionary work. Our suggested donation is £5 and children £1. If you would like to cook for this years Pentecost Feast please contact Pat after 9:15 Mass, in the hall or phone 07711 102582. We look forward to seeing you!

Corpus Christi Procession On Sunday, 22nd June, Solemnity of Corpus Christi, is Coventry Corpus Christi procession, 3pm Sunday 22nd June starting at St Anne's (CV3 3AG), and processing to Corpus Christi Church (40-minute walk. Specially invited are all our parishioners and in particular, are parents of and our First holy Communion children to dress in their finery once more and help lead the procession.

Could you not keep awake with me for one hour? The time we spend in church for our Sunday Mass is very precious to the Lord. I ask you to reflect on what it means to you too as a believer and make sure that we do not rush through formulars and off we go. The growing number of Mass attendants will require paying attention to every detail and to every person present, read the Word of God slowly, sing beautifully give out Holy Communion with utmost consciousness. We are worshipping a living God.

Fr. Benedict Skipper who coordinates Young Adults in the deanery invites them to Holy Mass & Potluck Dinner celebrating diversity and unity in Christ at St Osburg's Church on Saturday, 21st June 2025 starting with Mass at 6:00 PM. This will be followed by Potluck in the Church Hall.

Management of our Church Compound: I'm extremely thankful to Pawlina and Jim, Andrew Batsford and Roger Payne who keep an eye on our church compound to make sure that it is tidy and the weeds controlled. But we need help. The compound has been divided into 11 small plots which are displayed on the notice-board. Please have a look and see if you can help to look after one of them as your practical service to the parish.