



***Parish of The Most Holy Sacrament & St. Osburg***

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**THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C) 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>**

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**TIMES OF MASSES**

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>Mass</b>		<b>12.10 pm</b>
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>Mass</b>		<b>12.10 pm</b>
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>Mass</b>		<b>12.10pm</b>
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>9.10am</b>	<b>12.10pm</b>
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>Mass</b>		<b>12.10pm</b>
<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>Mass</b>		<b>11.30pm</b>

**FATHER HUDSON'S SOCIETY THANKS** On behalf of the Society, Ann Morrison thanks you sincerely for your interest and your generosity in the second collection, which came to £661.67. It was good to learn more about the work of the Society and to encourage them in this way.

**GOODBYE TO FR. ALBERT** Fr Albert returned to Rome on Monday after helping out in our parish since the beginning of July. On the way he will visit Fatima. By the end of this year he will receive his Licentiate in Biblical Theology and will be able to return home and see his family for the first time in 4 ½ years. Our grateful thanks to Fr. Albert.

**SUNDAY EVENING - SUNG VESPERS & BENEDICTION** Each Sunday evening in St. Osburg's we have Sung Vespers & Benediction at 6pm. Vespers is the Evening Prayer of the Church from the Breviary, said by everyone in Religious Life or Holy Orders throughout the world, including our Holy Father, and a growing number of lay people. In medieval times all the hours of the Divine Office were sung in each of the great monasteries in Coventry. You are warmly invited to come and enable Sung Vespers to continue in St. Osburg's. After a few weeks you soon become used to the psalm tones.

**BICENTENARY OF THIS PARISH** December 8<sup>th</sup> this year is the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first Catholic Church in Coventry after the Reformation. On 8<sup>th</sup> December 1807 the Church of St. Mary and St. Laurence, on this site in Hill Street, was consecrated by Bishop Milner. The Benedictine priest Fr John Dawber had been sent to Coventry as parish priest in 1803. At that time Mass was celebrated in a private house in Little Park Street but the "Mass House" was sold when the owner died in 1806. With the help of his superiors Fr. Dawber bought this land in Hill Street.

**BICENTENARY MASS** On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm His Grace, the Archbishop, will be the main celebrant at Mass to celebrate the Bicentenary of this Parish. The parish was first served from Downside Abbey and the present Abbot has been invited. In the early twentieth century Douai Abbey took over and the present Abbot will also be here, together with many of

the priests who have ministered here. As part of our Bicentenary celebrations our Blessed Sacrament Procession in June was to the site of the “Mass House” in Little Park Street.

**A WELCOMING PARISH** One of the priorities as a result of our parish visitation, was to develop the welcoming aspect of our parish. A sub-group of our parish forum have been working on this and will be seeking volunteers from each of the weekend Masses to be welcomers, or help with the offertory procession or as collectors

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** There is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament here each Friday and Saturday. From 9am on Friday until 6pm and from 9am on Saturday until the 5.30pm Evening Mass the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration in the Lady Chapel. Please pay a visit during these times. We are invited especially to pray for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. Thank you for your faithfulness to praying during these times.

**ST.OSBURG’S RESTORATION FUND PARISH DANCE** on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October at Christ the King Community Centre. Dancing to Malachy Cairns. Tickets £4 each are on sale this weekend. Please support the Restoration Fund by buying tickets and please take some extras and sell them to your friends. *The complete restoration of the Church is due to begin after Easter.*

**“300 CLUB” SEPTEMBER DRAW RESULTS** 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, No. 886, A. McCampill; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, No. 312, M. Phelan; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize, No. 173, R. Jones; 4<sup>th</sup> Prize, No. 991, D.Hurley; 5<sup>th</sup> Prize, No. 646, S.J.Hyde. *Congratulations, and thanks to everyone for all the support. If you have any queries, please contact Ann Fenton on 76 599544.*

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION** last weekend: Gift Aid: £124.00, Loose: £561.12 Total: £685.12 Thank You.

**2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION FOR FR. HUDSON’S SOCIETY: £661.67. Thank You**

**Please pray for ALL THE SICK of the parish especially** Bill Malone, Laurence Gallen, Dave Peadon, Philip Kierans, Tom Mulrennan, Kieran Connell, Ahmed Musa, Madeline Philips, Bethany Keenan, Carol Sparks, George Dickin, Frank Tierney, Mary Kelly,

**Please pray for those who have died recently** Bridget McGinley, Margaret Whiting, Bert Davies, Catherine Brady.

**Please pray for all those whose ANNIVERSARIES are about now,** Rosaleen Hayes, Mary Green, Edward Kane, Dermot Banningan, Jeremiah O’Driscoll, Gerard Reidy, James Hanlon, John Duffy, Maria Croston, Eileen Perry, Frank Seaman, Hilda Meehan, George Osborne, Owen Healey, Willie Healey, Brenda Rushton, Christina Whelan.

SUNDAY MASSES	Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 8.30am, 10.30am & 12.15pm
SUNG VESPERS	Sunday 6.00pm
CONFESSIONS	Saturday: After 11.30am Mass until 1.00pm Saturday Evening: 6.15pm to 6.45pm Weekdays: After the 12.10pm Mass