



Matthew 13: 44-52

“He sells everything he owns and buys  
the field”

# OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT RC CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER

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29<sup>th</sup> July / 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017

**Please note:** the following will be sung in place of  
“Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts” at all future  
Masses:


*“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,  
Holy is the Lord God almighty! (2)  
Who was, and is, and is to come;  
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.”*  
**Father Damian**

Please pray for the sick of our Parish and also for  
those who care for them.

**Anniversaries this week**

*Jane Smith, Jason Bates, Michael ‘Lee’ Graves,  
Libby Speroni, Roy Edwards  
May they rest in peace*

**Confession** – Saturday – 12 noon – 1 pm

**Rosary** – 9.45 am – before Sunday Mass

**Children’s Liturgy** - First and third Sunday  
of the month

**Prayer Group** – Wednesday evening after Mass  
(No Prayer Group on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August)

Collections for weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> July:  
First Collection: Envs £456.90 – Loose £151.32  
**Total £608.22**

**Second collection this weekend is for the  
Maintenance Fund**

Lectionary Cycle: 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Corpus Christi Year A: Prayer of The Church – Week I			
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Mass</b> St Martha	9.15 am 5.30 pm	St Benedict’s St Nicholas’
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Mass</b> S	10.00 am	St Benedict’s
Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>Mass</b> St Ignatius Loyola, Priest	9.15 am	St Benedict’s
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> August	<b>Mass</b> St Alphonsus Mary de’ Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	6.30 pm	St Benedict’s
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> August	<b>Mass</b> St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest	6.30 pm	St Benedict’s
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> August	<b>Mass</b> St Germanus of Auxerre, Bishop (Wales)	9.15 am	St Benedict’s
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Mass</b> St John Mary Vianney, Priest	9.15 am	St Benedict’s
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Mass</b> Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major (please see over page)	9.15 am 5.30 pm	St Benedict’s St Nicholas’

**Anniversaries:** We are in the process of updating our record of Anniversaries at Our Lady & St Benedict, and to this end you will find forms at the back of the Church for you to fill in, giving the names and dates of those loved ones that you would like remembered in our prayers. Please hand to one of the Committee members.

## Notes for your diary

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** - 11.00 am, Annual APF Mill Hill Mission Mass, St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham  
**7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> August 2017** – Birmingham Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference – 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, St John's Hotel, Solihull

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017** – Quiz Night

**26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017** – Centenary Pilgrimage to Fatima – please see leaflets in porch

### Parish Co-ordinators

Pastoral Team	Rebecca Mander	01564 793774
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Church Flowers	Sally Whitehead	01564 792887
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Children's Liturgy	Rebecca Mander	01564 793774
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If you have an item for the Newsletter please email Chris Killourhey: [chrisk39@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:chrisk39@hotmail.co.uk)  
or telephone 01564 637478 (or any of the Parish Co-ordinators)

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**Warwick Deanery Website:** this can now be found at: [www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk)

**Legacies:** the Diocese has made a new leaflet available in all 227 parishes to assist people who may want to consider leaving a legacy to the Church. At the back of the Church you will find copies of this new leaflet. Please do consider whether you, or someone you know, may wish to support the Church in this way. Thank you.

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### **Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major**

Although this memorial of Our Lady is optional in the General Roman Calendar, it's a good opportunity to reflect during the summer on the vocation of the Mother of God.

The Basilica of St. Mary Major is one of the four greatest basilicas in Rome. It's the oldest church in the West dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. A famous miracle on this site during the summer is the origin of her title as "Our Lady of the Snows". Below the basilica's main altar are relics from the Nativity. As you can imagine, then, this basilica is a popular site for pilgrims and tourists during December.

Perhaps by default when we think of Mary, we think of Bethlehem. We Catholics are also reared to reflect often on Mary at the foot of the Cross with the Beloved Disciple. But we ought not overlook the many ordinary days over more than thirty years that she served Jesus as His first and best disciple. We tend to think of St. Thérèse as the origin of the Little Way, but she surely learned it through her devotion to Our Lady.

Mary's love for Jesus was no less strong as she bathed her infant, or fed her child, than it was during Holy Week: less intense, perhaps, but no less dedicated. In this she's an example for us who tend to lead very ordinary lives. In ordinary moments, we can choose to love with extraordinary love: the love through which Mary served Jesus as His model disciple.