



# OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> May 2019

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

*Anniversaries this week  
May they rest in peace  
Leslie Anderson, George O'Connor,  
Mary McKeever, Mary Ann Kerr,  
Henry Bartholomew*

Confession – Saturday, 12 noon – 1 pm

Rosary – 9.45 am – before Sunday Mass

Prayer Group – No Prayer Group until further notice

Children's Liturgy – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

Collection last week:  
Envelopes £863.00 Loose £129.71  
Total £992.71  
Clergy Training Fund £174.18

Lectionary Cycle: – Year C Prayer of The Church – Week I			
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Mass Vigil Mass for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> <i>Norah Burke</i>	5.30 pm	St Nicholas'
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> <i>Maureen Walsh</i> First Holy Communion	10.00 am 12.00 noon	St Benedict's
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Mass</b> St. Bernadine of Siena	9.00 am	St Benedict's
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> May	<b>Mass</b> Ss Christopher Magallanes and Companions	6.30pm	St Benedict's
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	<b>No Mass</b> St Rita of Cascia		
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	<b>Mass</b>	9.15am	St Benedict's
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Mass</b>	9.15am	St Benedict's
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Mass</b> <b>Vigil Mass for 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	9.15pm 5.30 pm	St. Benedict's St Nicholas'
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Mass for 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	10.00am	St. Benedict's

**May Devotions.** May is the month of Mary and the Rosary. Please endeavour to say the Rosary at home and to join in with our weekly Rosary before Mass on Sundays.

**Coffee Mornings** – Please give some thought to being part of the teams that are willing to organise a Coffee Morning one Sunday after Mass. There is a rota on the Church door and we are hoping you will feel able to help with this fun and important part of Parish life.

**Parish Quiz Night** – Sadly this had to be cancelled due to poor ticket sales.

**A Vocations weekend for young women** with the theme of 'Discernment and Vocation' will be held in Liverpool on the weekend of 24/26<sup>th</sup> May is being organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along. You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just Saturday. For more information please contact Sr Lynne at [lynnefcj@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnefcj@hotmail.com) or visit [www.fcjsisters.org](http://www.fcjsisters.org)

*'I give you a new commandment: love one another just as I have loved you' John 13*

**Foster Care Fortnight 13 – 26<sup>th</sup> May.** Birmingham’s Children’s Trust is experiencing a shortage of foster carers. This Foster Care Fortnight the Trust will be looking to speak with and meet couples and individuals who are able to value a child’s identity including their ethnic, religious and cultural background. If you are able to offer a child a loving home, have one or more spare rooms and childcare experience then please come to one of our fostering information events. The next one takes place at the Afro Caribbean Millennium Centre, 339, Dudley Rd, Birmingham B18 4HB on May 21<sup>st</sup> 11.00 am to 12.00 pm. There will be a short presentation followed by a Q & A session and you’ll be able to speak to our fostering recruitment team. There is no need to book in advance, just come along but please try and arrive by 10.45 ready for an 11 am start. Alternatively you can contact us on 0121 303 7575 Monday to Wednesday 8.45 am to 5 pm, Thursday 8.45am to 8pm, Friday 8.45am to 4.15pm or email [AFRecruit@birminghamchildrenstrust.co.uk](mailto:AFRecruit@birminghamchildrenstrust.co.uk) and a member of the team will contact you.

**Bible Brunch** – Starting on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 11 am in the Parish Room. There will be brunch provided, a time for chatting and then a Bible study with Fr Damian. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know members of your church family and learn more about the Word of God. If you would like to come please contact Cath Middleton 07720713065

**Safeguarding.** Following Diocesan directives regarding safeguarding, and after much discussion, the Parish Committee decided that the toilets accessible through the presbytery should not be available for use during Mass. The disabled toilet will be open for general use. When the reconfiguration of the presbytery and the parish rooms is complete the decision will be reviewed.

Parish Co-ordinators					
Parish Chair Children’s Liturgy	Rebecca Mander	01564 793774	Eucharistic Ministers (JB - MC/Servers)	John Treacy (St Benedict’s) John Burke (St Nicholas’)	01564 792242 01564 793692
Finance & Gift Aid	Christine Moulder Helen Russell	01789 262269	CAFOD	Andrew Meigh	01564 637432
Liturgy & Music Women’s World Day	Barbara Alcock	01564 793826	St Mary’s School	Rachel Saltmarsh	01564 794470
Readers	John Burke	01564 793692	Rosary and Prayer Group	Cath Middleton	01527 435041
Parish Catechist	Mary Cooke	01564 794333	Ecumenical Contacts	Jan Wright	01564 793528
Safeguarding Representative	Collette Gay	01564 795314	Piety Stall	Catherine Treacy	01564 792242
Church Flowers Wedding & Funeral Co-ordinator	Louise Sandford Vacant	01789 488993	Church Warden	Catherin Dooling	01789 204487
APF – Missio boxes	John Anderson	01564 792983	Newsletter	Sally Whitehead	01564 792887

Compiled by John Burke		Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
18 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> May	St Nicholas	Collette Gay	Mary Clarke, Ann Platt
	Our Lady & St Benedict	Sarah Didlick	Victoria Neville, John Treacy
25 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup> May	St Nicholas	Ann Platt	Collette Gay, Lunn Goodfellow
	Our Lady & St Benedict	Emily Messett	Janet Wright, Sue Harriman

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No. 234216  
 If you have an item for the Newsletter please contact Sally Whitehead: 01564 792887  
 Any items to be notified by the preceding Wednesday at the latest

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

**Visitors** You are very welcome. Please make sure you introduce yourselves and sign the visitors’ book at the back of the Church. **New Parishioners** Please make yourselves known to the Priest.

*Happiness keeps you sweet, trials keep you strong, sorrows keep you human, failures keep you humble and God keeps you going.*