

OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER



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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Racial Justice Sunday”

8 - 16th February 2020

“Your Light must shine in the light of men” Matt 5 13-16

Lectionary Year A. Psalter week 1 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 8 Feb	Vigil for Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	St Nicholas	Mass 5.30 pm
Sun 9 Feb	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Our Lady & St Benedict	Mass 10.00 am Margaret Chapman (RIP)
Mon 10 Feb	Memorial of St Scholastica	Our Lady & St Benedict	No Mass
Tue 11 Feb	Feria	Our Lady & St Benedict	No mass
Wed 12 Feb	Feria	Our Lady & St Benedict	No mass
Thurs 13 Feb	Feria	Our Lady & St Benedict	No Mass
Fri 14 Feb	Feast of St Cyril monk & St Methodius Bishop (Patrons of Europe)	Our Lady & St Benedict	Mass 9.15 am Day of Prayer for Europe
Sat 15 Feb	Feria (Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday) Vigil for 6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Our Lady & St Benedict St Nicholas	Mass 9.15 am Mass 5.30 pm
Sun 16 Feb	6 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Our Lady & St Benedict	Mass 10.00

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

Please remember in your prayers **Margaret Chapman** who passed away this week.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries are near Barbara O'Brien, Margaret Colley, George Hodge, Bill Jones, Helen Clarke and Martin Cairney . May they rest in Peace.

Rosary – 9.45 am – before Sunday Mass

Collections 1st -2nd February 2020

Gift Aid Envelopes: £159.25

Loose: £ 139.01

Total £298.26

Maintenance Fund

Gift Aid Envelopes £237.00

Loose £71.20

Total £308.20

Many thanks for your continued support for our Church.

Racial Justice Sunday

The theme of this year's Racial Justice Sunday is 'You are at the heart of the Church' and celebrates the contribution Travelling Communities make to the Church in England and Wales".

Historically, Gypsies, Roma and Travellers have experienced discrimination both in the wider society and, sadly, within the Church. The aim of this Racial Justice Sunday is to celebrate the contribution that the Travelling Communities make within our parishes and to encourage parishioners to be more welcoming towards fellow Catholics who come from a Traveller background.

St Marys Primary School Henley in Arden. More Good News

Last week we had the Ofsted rating that our Parish School continues to be a Good school, where Pupils enjoy coming to school, where everyone gets on well with each other. The school's Christian values are understood and modelled by pupils and staff and where Pupils are well prepared for the move to secondary school.

This week we had the confirmation of the high standard achieved by children in KS2 where 100% of them had reached or exceeded the national standard for writing. This puts the school in the top 1% of the primary schools in the country. This again is a tremendous achievement and congratulations to all concerned, our headteachers, staff, pupils, parents governors and supporters.

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No. 234216

Episcopal Visitation

On the First Sunday of Lent 1st March 2020, we will be joined by our Area Bishop, Bishop William Kenny. Our Children making their first Holy Communion and Confirmation are busy preparing to read and play our music at the 10.00 mass to greet our Bishop. All children in the parish are invited to bring a gift to present to the Bishop. It would be nice if this was something homemade such as baked goods, jam, a portrait or poem or perhaps a local produce gift. Some of the ladies are preparing food for his lunch. Please do come and join him in the Conservatory for a coffee Morning after our 10.00 mass, where he wishes to meet and talk to the Parish. If you can, please volunteer to help our team giving the church and conservatory an extra clean beforehand. Please Keep this date in your Diary to come along and make our Bishop Welcome.

Invitation to join Hand in Hand in for HOSANNA! A cantata in song and mime St Peter's Church hall, Leamington Spa, When? Saturday March 28th

The Group are inviting people with learning disabilities and friends to join us in performing this Easter story. No experience needed- there is a part for everyone! There is a poster at the back of Church For more information: phone Julia (01926) 735275 or email Julia.fitzsimons@gmail.com or cxholden@virginmedia.com

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers.

Can you help the parish with these two important ministries? If you can or would like more information Please contact John Burke for Readers or John Burke on 0156479692 or John Treacy on 01546792242 for Eucharistic Ministers

Parish Finance Counting Banking and Gift Aid

We need help with the weekly counting or banking for the parish if you are interested please reach out. Speak to Fr Damian or Christine Moulder on

GIFT AID. We are able to claim back tax on donations made to the church which are Gift Aided. If you are a tax payer and would like to sign up please speak to Christine moulder on 01789 262269

Fr Damian's Leave

Fr Damian will be back late this week; he has arranged for fellow priests in the deanery to provide cover for our weekend masses and as a point of contact. If you do have anything urgent please contact our Dean, Fr John Cross Tel: 01926 423824 Email: stpetersspa@hotmail.co.uk
John Burke will still be monitoring our parish email: olandsb@gmail.com

Parish Co-ordinators.					
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8 th February	St Nicholas	Mary Clarke, Lynn Goodfellow		Ann Bullingham	
9 th February	Our Lady & St Benedict	Adriano Fernandes, Cath Middleton		Annette Howell	
15 th February	St Nicholas	Collette Gay, John Burke		Mary Clarke	
16 th February	Our Lady & St Benedict	Victoria Neville, Sue Harriman		Saltmarsh Family	