



**OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH
NEWSLETTER**

Alcester Road, Wootton Wawen, B95 6BQ

Tel: 01564 792647

Priest-in-Charge: Fr. Damian Nwankwo

Email: olandsb@gmail.com

17th May 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter

"I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate." John 14: 15- 21

Lectionary Year A. Psalter week 2 Sixth Sunday of Easter

The Pope's Prayer intention for May: For Deacons. We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire the Church.

Sun 17 th May	Sixth Sunday of Easter Our Lady and St Benedict. Mass Live Stream https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8088751137 International Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians.	Mass 10.00 am Norah Burke (RIP)
Mon 18 th May	Easter Ferria	Mass 9.00 am In Private
Tue 19 th May	<i>Easter Ferria</i>	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Wed 20 th May	Easter Ferria	No Mass
Thurs 21 st May	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Holy Day of Obligation Our Lady and St Benedict. Mass Live Stream https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8088751137	Mass 10.00 am People of the Parish Mass 6.00 pm Welfare of our Parsohoners
Fri 22 nd May	Easter Ferria	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Sat 23 rd May	Easter Ferria	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Sun 24 th May	Seventh Sunday of Easter Our Lady and St Benedict. Mass Live Stream https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8088751137	Mass 10.00 am Maureen Walsh Divine Healing

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Thursday 21st May

This Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Church celebrates the Ascension of the Lord, the feast falls 40 days after Easter. It represents the end of the Lord's earthly ministry and the invite for us all to join him in his kingdom.

CAFOD Appeal

CAFOD has launched its coronavirus emergency appeal on 30 April. The effects of coronavirus on developing countries where CAFOD works are likely to be devastating. Families without enough to eat, without access to clean water or adequate healthcare facilities are particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. The poorest communities will be pushed further into poverty. Your prayers and gifts are needed more than ever to help protect the lives of those in poor communities. While we are not able to hold physical collections in our churches, we would be grateful you could donate as individuals at cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal.

Prayer intentions

Please pray for the sick the elderly, the housebound, all who are self -isolating and all who care for them from our Parish especially, Maureen Walsh, Ruth Harvey, Jan Wright, Margaret Keiley, Phil Hampton, Mary Glover, Vic and Vera Goodwin and all on our parish sick list. .

We pray for all who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Betty Cromie, James Hallahan, Catherine Middleton, Norah Burke, Lesley Anderson and George O'Connor may they join Jesus as he promised with his Father in heaven

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter International Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians

The International Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians enables Eastern and Western Christians to come together in communion through prayer, and is shared by the Eastern Churches in communion with the Bishop of Rome, including the Armenian Catholic, Chaldean, Coptic Catholic, Ethiopian and Eritrean Catholic. (in Africa), Greek Melkite, Maronite, Syrian Catholic, Syro-Malabar (in India), Syro-Malankara (in India) please join us in this prayer for our Eastern Christian brothers

“Heavenly Father, we pray today for peace in the world, especially in the Middle East. By your heavenly grace, strengthen the faith and hope of Eastern Christians. May they be blessed with peace and prosperity in their lands. And may we be inspired by their devotion and witness to the Gospel, by their love and compassion for all in their communities, and by their courage, their endurance and self-sacrifice against oppression. Through their charity, tolerance and friendship, bring peace and reconciliation to those troubled lands, where Christianity was born and first spread. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.”

Rosary

While we are all social distancing, The Pope has asked us pray the Rosary during this month of Mary our blessed mother.

Message from Fr Damian Our Services at Our Lady and St Benedict's

We had another wonderful online mass last weekend. It was great to catch up with more parishioners who we have not seen for nearly two months. Thank you once again to all who shared last weekend's mass, and have come to join our online community at Our Lady and St Benedict's.

Following the Government announcements earlier in the week, the Catholic Bishops are working with the Government as to how and when we can reopen our churches, which I am sure we all look forward to.

While I am continuing to offer mass in private for your intentions. It is still a difficult time for some, I want to continue to offer support and prayer to parishioners with concerns, or who are self-isolating, please give me a call on 01564 792647, Leave a message if needed or drop me an email if you would like a chat.

Can you all pray for all whose lives are affected and changed with the illness, those who are ill, those who are lonely or feel isolated on lockdown, those with no work or school. We continue to thank the Lord for those who support us in our daily lives, the hospital, care workers and all the other essential services.

Again If parishioners know anyone who may not be getting our online newsletter or anyone that would like to join us for our Online mass please send their details to our Parish email olandsb@gmail.com.

If any parishioners could offer practical help to our parishioners self-isolating please contact Fr Damian?

Financial support for your parish.

If you can please support your church at this difficult time although the first priority has to be for your families own finances.

The Gift Aid envelopes are ready are in the Church Porch if any parishioners are going past and would like to pick them up for family or friends living near them.

For those who can please consider a direct debit or standing order through your bank. If you contact Mary Mayo on mary.mayo1@btinternet.com. She will give you details of the parish's bank account number.

There is a donate button (top right) on the home page of the diocesan website for donations by credit or debit card. www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk, there is a small charge by the credit card company for this service. If you are a gift aider your donation by card, direct debit or standing order can still be gift aided.

We can still take cash or cheque donations posted through the letter box from any of you passing. If you are a gift aider please put your name and address on the envelope

Thank you to those who have dropped off donations or signed up for any bank transfers to support your parish.

Online Mass from Our Lady and St Benedict's <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/8088751137>.

This weeks Password is **12345**. This will be changing please check newsletter.

Zoom Account.

To join us in our own services you will need a zoom account. <https://zoom.us/download>.

During the service please mute your own microphone as the system will pick up sounds from your house instead of the service.

Follow the daily Readings at Mass

<https://universalis.com/mass.htm>

Warwick Deanery Website:

www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk

Birmingham Archdiocese Link:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>