



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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17-18 October 2020

29th Sunday in Ordinary time

“Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar- and to God what belongs to God” Matt 22: 15 - 21

29th Sunday in Ordinary time Lectionary Year A. Psalter week 1

The Pope's Prayer intention for October The Laity's Mission in the Church.

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Sat 17 Oct	Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch Bishop Martyr Vigil Mass for 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady and St Benedict. Second collection World Mission Day	Mass 9.15 am in Private Public Mass: 5.30 pm Divine Healing Peggy Lennon, Maureen Walsh, Pat Crehan,
Sun 18 Oct	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady and St Benedict. Second collection World Mission Day Online Mass Live Stream via Zoom Password as Previous	Public Mass @ Mass Online 10.00 am Eileen Greenham RIP
Mon 19 Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time,	Mass 9.00 am In Private
Tue 20 Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time,	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Wed 21 Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time,	No Mass
Thurs 22 Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time, (Optional memorial St John Paul II Pope)	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Fri 23 Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time,	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Sat 24 Oct	Optional Memorial Our Lady on a Saturday Vigil mass for 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady and St Benedict. Second collection The Johnson Association	Mass 9.15 am in Private Public Mass: 5.30 pm
Sun 25 Oct	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady and St Benedict. Second collection The Johnson Association Online Mass Live Stream via Zoom Password as Previous	Public Mass @ Mass Online 10.00 am Mary Evans RIP

Second Collection 17th - 18th October WORLD MISSION DAY **MISSIO collection (Red Box) 'Here I am, send me!'**

In the Holy Father's message for World Mission Sunday, he says:

'The Church continues the mission of Jesus and sends us everywhere so that, through our witness and the proclamation of the Gospel, God may continue to manifest his love and transform hearts, societies, and cultures'.

On this day through prayer, reflection and material help we express our support of missionaries from all continents who are striving to preach and live the Gospel among those have yet to receive it. They work to support missionaries working alongside the poor and needy in the world regardless of their background or beliefs. They share the love of Christ with those most in need.

If anyone at home does have a Red Box and would like it emptied please contact **Mary Clarke on 01564 795396**, drop the parish email a message on olandsb@gmail.com or leave the box with Fr Damian. Mary will plan to have the boxes emptied and returned. If you would like to have a Red box in your home to collect for Missio throughout the year, please contact Mary

Second Collection 24th – 25th October The Johnson Association

This fund supports about 70 of the retired, sick, or infirm Priests of the Birmingham diocese. This is done through grants that are made to them. Priests who are sick receive financial support during their period of illness. Priests who have retired apply for a discretionary grant which will support them throughout the retirement. In 2018 – 19 the Johnson Fund paid £382, 266 in grants. The average age of priests in the diocese was 62 in 2019, this means that there will be more call on the fund in the next 10 years as priests retire.

The Rosary

October is traditionally the month the Church asks us to pray the Rosary. At the Pope's request can we use the Rosary to ask Our Blessed Mother Mary and our Lord Jesus Christ to intercede in this global pandemic and crisis.

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No. 234

Harvest Jam Sale.

To support the water project the floristry ladies will be selling home made jams chutneys and preserves this weekend.

Wedding 24th October at 2.00.

Congratulations to Ana Maria Elena Brooks and Thomas Patrick McGovern who are getting married on the 24th October. We wish them every blessing in their married life

Prayer intentions

Please pray for those on our parish sick list and all sick the elderly, the housebound, all who are self -isolating and all who care for them.

We pray for all who have died recently especially Peter McGinn and Paul Taylor and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time Eileen Greenham, Mary Evans, Rose Ann Kelleher, Barry Hughes, Alan Moulder, and Bernard Dooling, may they share the heavenly kingdom with our Lord Jesus Christ, and his mother Mary the Queen of the Rosary.

One World Week 18-25 October

The Annual Intercultural Mass goes online this year as an Intercultural Celebration prepared by the Ethnic chaplaincies in the Diocese. There is lovely music, prayers, readings and greetings in the many languages of our Community. Blessings come from Archbishop Bernard, Bishop Mar Joseph of the Syro Malabar Rite and Bishop Eparch Kenneth Nowakowski of the Ukrainian Eparchy. Do make a point of setting time aside to pray for peace in the world with the many nations that now make up the Diocesan Family. It will be available on the Diocesan Website this coming week. <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage 2020

Sunday 1st November, 12 noon, Celebrant Bishop David Evans

Livestream via St Chad's Cathedral website (<https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/>) Couples are encouraged to join the Mass at home which will include the Renewal of Commitment. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary (1st or every 5th year up to 60 years and every year over 60) Please email Lianne Pap (Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator) lianne.pap@rc-birmingham.org with the following information to be included in the booklet. Full name of the couple , Anniversary being celebrated in 2020
You are also encouraged to email photos of your wedding day and a current one.
Please include the parish you were married in as well as the name of current parish

Nanka School Water Project.

Last Year St Mary's School and the parish raised £8000 to help the school in Nanka Nigeria install a drinking water well. The work has started but will cost more, up to £17000. The water is over 330 metres deep, we are desperate not to leave this work unfinished and need to raise another £8000 to £9000 to complete the project. We realise money is tight for everyone now, however every child deserves access to daily drinking water in a place where temperatures rarely drop below 30 degrees.

Please spare whatever you can, even if it is only the cost of a bottle of water or a cup of coffee to help finish this project.

You can leave a donation with the Church or the School or through the Crowdfunder page.

This week Andy Walker (one of our previous teachers) has made wonderful video to highlight the school conditions in Nanka. To

watch please click on the link below and share with as many people as possible: <https://youtu.be/XTUieO2NVMg>

This is the link to the Crowdfunder fundraising page <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/water-for-nanka-1>

Thank you to all who have donated so far to help bring water closer to the School Children in Nanka.

St Mary's Primary School Henley in Arden.

COVID restrictions mean that the school cannot invite parents whose children will start in reception next year into the school to have a look around. The School have produced this virtual tour of the school for those parents considering a school place for their child.

<https://www.facebook.com/10453708773868/videos/354365676007930>.

Message from Fr Damian.

I am missing sharing weekday masses with our parishioners, we need stewards to help to hold at least one midweek mass as we cannot restart midweek masses until they are in place. Please if you can offer help in this way email the parish at olandsb@gmail.com, or speak to John Burke on 01564 793692 .

Please remember that I am here to offer prayer and support to parishioners at this difficult time, please give me a call on 01564 792647, Leave a message if needed or drop me an email if you would like a chat

Public Masses for 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

HANDS- FACE- SPACE

There are posters around the church that identify the location, which you can scan the QR code on a smart phone as part of the Government's track and trace. You will need the track and trace App

Can we ask all attending to please follow the guidance we have issued; this is for your own benefit as well as other worshippers attending mass? Please follow the steward's directions.

If you or your family have the symptoms of COVID 19 please do not come to the church

Financial support for your parish and the Second Collections.

Thanks to those who are still dropping envelopes and donations off, those of you who are paying by bank transfer or standing order. if you can and have not got around to doing a bank transfer or standing order and want help, please contact Mary Mayo on mary.mayo1@btinternet.com, for further details.

There is a tin at church for you to drop any donations to support Our Lady and St Benedict's and for the second collections identified in the Bulletin. Please mark your envelopes for the desired collection