



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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24th – 25th October 2020

30th Sunday in Ordinary time

“You must love the lord your God, and your neighbour as yourself.” Matt 22: 34 - 40

30th Sunday in Ordinary time Lectionary Year A. Psalter week 2

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 24 Oct	Optional Memorial Our Lady on a Saturday Wedding Ana Maria Elena Brooks and Thomas Patrick McGovern, Vigil mass for 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Our Lady and St Benedict. Second collection The Johnson Association	Mass 9.15 am in Private Wedding 2.00 Public Mass: 5.30 pm Divine Healing Pat Crehan, Peggy Lennon and Maureen Walsh
Sun 25 Oct	30th 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
Mon 26 th Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time,	Mass 9.00 am In Private
Tue 27 th Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time,	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Wed 28 th Oct	Feast of Saints Simon and Jude Apostles,	No Mass
Thurs 29 th Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time,	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Fri 30 th Oct	Feria in Ordinary Time,	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Sat 31 st Oct	Optional Memorial Our Lady on a Saturday Vigil mass for Solemnity of All Saints Our Lady and St Benedict. Second collection Clergy Training Fund	Mass 10.00 am Baptism Public Mass: 5.30 pm Michael Kiely RIP (2 nd Anniversary)
Sun 1 st November	The Solemnity of All Saints Our Lady and St Benedict. Second collection Clergy Training Fund Online Mass Live Stream via Zoom Password as Previous	Public Mass @ Mass Online 10.00 am

Second Collection this weekend 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. 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.

Second collection Sunday 1st November Clergy Training Fund.

The Clergy Training Fund seeks your help to support the training of a new generation of Priests and clergy, in every sense to make an investment in the Church's future life and mission. Candidates for priestly formation spend around 6 years at Seminary. Training is also undertaken by men wishing to become Permanent Deacons in Parishes. But learning and education for our priests and deacons is a life-long ongoing process which involves considerable expense – it costs around £30,000 a year (£80 per day) to train a Seminarian! Help is needed to meet these costs.

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

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.

REMEMBER THE CLOCKS GO BACK at 12.00 SATURDAY NIGHT. 24th October

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

Nanka School Water Project.

Thanks to your generosity in a few short weeks we have made a big inroad into realising our target of a further £8000- £9000 to bring water to the school children in Nanka. This is wonderful as they are just starting their dry season, it will not rain now until the end of June. 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 and get us over the line. You can leave a donation with the Church or the School or through the Crowdfunder page which still has a few weeks to run. A huge thank you to Andy Walker (one of our previous teachers) for his 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/XTUiEQ2NVMg>

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

Harvest Jam Sale.

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

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

MISSIO RED BOX 'Here I am, send me!'

If you have a Red Box it is time to get it emptied to send on to MISSIO. To help them continue to support missionaries from all continents who are striving to preach and live the Gospel among those have yet to receive it. They do this regardless of their background or beliefs. Please contact **Mary Clarke on 01564 795396**, or 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

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 Mary Evans, Michael Kiely, Kate Dooling, Stephen Toal, John Weaver, may they share the heavenly kingdom with our Lord Jesus Christ, and his mother Mary the Queen of the Rosary.

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 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

HANDS- FACE- SPACE

There are posters around the church that identify the location, where you can scan the QR code on a smart phone as part of the Government's track and trace if you have the app installed.

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

November Commemoration of our Faithfull departed.

During November, the Church asks us to pray for our faithful departed. If you would like a mass said for a loved one, please contact Fr Damian? If you would like the names of loved ones to be placed in a prayer basket before the altar during the month, please put their names on a piece of paper and we will be collecting them at masses during the month ? If you cannot get to church, please email the names, and will print them and place them in the prayer basket?

We will be having a public mass for our departed loved ones at 12.00 at Our Lady and St Benedict's Church, on Monday 2nd November. The blessing of the Graves at our Cemetery will follow between 12.45 and 13.30, more details next week.

Electrician Needed.

To brighten up the church especially with our Covid restrictions, the floristry ladies would like to have an outside plug socket fitted near the Church porch to plug in some Christmas decorations if you can help please contact Fr Damian

Visitor Guidelines for Mass @ Our Lady and St Benedict's 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please do not visit if you or your family have Covid 19 symptoms or have been asked to Self-Isolate.

The Church will be open for around 15 minutes before mass.

Can All attending please wear a face mask unless you have a medical condition. While visors are useful, they do not provide the protection to both the user and those around them that a face covering does.

There are posters around the church that identify the location as part of the Government's Track and Trace programme. If you have the app you can scan the QR code on a smart phone

If there is a queue at the doorway, please wait for it to clear and the stewards to direct you.

For everyone's peace of mind and safety, please follow the guidelines below.

Note there are no toilet facilities available.

- Please follow the directions of the stewards. Keep to the social distancing guidelines.
- Enter through the Porch keep left and sanitise your hands-on arrival.
- The area inside the main door near the baptism font and piety stall is reserved for the wardens. Please carry on through to main body of Church.
- Please leave any track and trace information, collect any newsletters, or missalettes from the table inside the entrance.
- Follow the direction of the Wardens round the church:
 - They will direct you through porch and into the body of the church Keep left, towards side chapel entrance.
 - The Warden will fill the seats from the rear seats on the right- hand side of the church to the front and then from the left-hand front seats to the rear. This is to ensure all that wish to worship can attend and minimise passing.
- Move to the inside of the row, please leave 2 seats per row clear between other social and family groups.
- Only sit where there is a green card,
- Please do not move from the seat allocated. If you wish to offer votive candles, please ask a steward.
- The steward will light it. Do not try to light off another candle.
- Do not enter the Sanctuary, side Chapel or Choir loft unless directed by a steward.
- During mass can all worshipers remain seated until they are called forward for Communion.
- The stewards will direct you forward one row at a time and offer hand sanitiser before you receive communion.
- Please do not cross the central aisle.
- Please keep your mask on, return to your seat remove the mask and consume the host.
- Turn over the card on your seat as you leave (so that it is red).
- At the end of Mass please leave as soon as possible in an orderly manner under the direction of the Stewards
- Sanitise hands on departure

Our Lady and St Benedict's Church Track and Trace Compliance

In line with guidance issued by the Department for Health and Social Care, we are collecting details of those who attend our church. We will keep your details safely and in compliance with GDPR legislation for 21 days before securely disposing of or deleting them. We will only share your details with NHS Test and Trace, if asked, if it is needed to help stop the spread of coronavirus. We will not use your details for any other purposes or pass them on to anyone else.

Thank you for your understanding.

If you agree to providing your information for this reason, please complete the following form and leave it in the box at church when you attend:

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Our Lady and St Benedict's Church Wootton Wawen Track and Trace

Date Attended _____ Time _____

Family Name _____

Tel. No _____

Signature _____

Date _____