



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER
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 "Go and make disciples of all nations" Matthew 28:16-20
Psalter Week 4

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity 25th – 26th May 2024

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for May: For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Sat 25 th May	Vigil for the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity	5.30 pm Mass and Angelus Divine Healing on Maureen Walsh, Michael Walsh & Peggy Lennon
Sun 26 th May	The Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity	9.40 am Rosary 10.00 am Mass and Angelus + Zoom David Bradley RIP
Mon 27 th May	Feria in Ordinary Time Bank Holiday Monday	9.30 am Mass.
Tues 28 th May	Feria in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm mass.
Wed 29 th May	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass.
Thurs 30 th May	Feria in Ordinary Time	No Mass.
Fri 31 st May	Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	No Mass
Sat 1 st June	Vigil for the Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Parish Maintenance Fund	5.30 pm Mass
Sun 2 nd June	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Parish Maintenance Fund	9.40 am Rosary 10.00 am Mass + Zoom

Message from Fr Damian. Trinity Sunday: The readings for the Trinity Sunday affirm that we are members of God's family and that God desires the whole world to be united into his relationship of love. The second reading tells us that we are truly God's children. The Gospel this week takes us to a mountain in Galilee, where Jesus meets His disciples after His resurrection. Even though some doubted, they all worshiped Him. Here, Jesus gives them a great mission: to make disciples of all nations, baptize them, and teach them to follow His commands.

Jesus' command is a foundation for our mission as Christians. We are to share the good news with everyone, no matter where they are from. The task of baptising and teaching is not just for the apostles but for all of us who follow Christ. Jesus also promises to be with us always, until the end of time. This assurance gives us the courage to carry out His commands. The Trinity is central to our faith, reflected every time we make the sign of the cross or celebrate baptism.

Prayer Intentions: We pray for all on our parish sick list and for those who care for them, that the Lord may guide them and strengthen them through their illness.

We pray for all in our parish who have recently died especially John Hedderman and our parish anniversaries, Henry Bartholomew, Odette Webber, Margery Thompson, Denis Keyte, Sophie Jones, Louise Jones and Phil Hampton. May they all enter into the everlasting peace of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Tarantara Concert. Saturday 18th May. What a Fabulous Evening we had. Thank you to those of you who were able to join us and thank you for the donations for those of you who were not. The choir were wonderful and created the most fantastic music that resonated around the church. Thank you to all those who provided Raffle Prizes – those who sponsored the wine and those who contributed to the cost of the choir. All this resulted in us making a profit of £1,630.50 which will definitely make a difference to our bank account. Thank you, Everyone.

Please be aware of Scam/ Clone Emails. The Official " Birmingham Catholic Archdiocese" emails will always end in @rcaob.org.uk. Fr Damian's Email is fr.damian.nwankwo@rcaob.org.uk
 Our Lady and St Benedict's Email is olasb.woottonwawen@rcaob.org.uk. Please don't respond to any requests for help if you are unsure where the email originated. Could you please report on anything you see suspicious?

Parish Maintenance Fund: Our Parish Maintenance collection is next Weekend.

May Devotions: This is our last weekend in May we will offer the rosary before mass on Sunday mornings. We will also say the Angelus at the end of our weekend Masses. Can I encourage you all to try and take into your home these wonderful devotions, especially this week?

CAFOD Ripples of Hope, Saturday 8 June 2024: The Dormer Conference Centre, St Peter Apostle Catholic Church, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AA from 11.00 am – 4.00 pm (a light lunch will be provided). As we look ahead to next year's Jubilee. CAFOD invites you to Ripples of Hope, a special day of reflection, prayer and spiritual nourishment led by well-known and much-loved Catholic speaker, teacher and author David Wells. To attend please register here: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/ripples-of-hope>

Banbury & Warwick Deanery meeting 27th June. Canon John Batthula our Dean invites all parishioners to the Closing of Deanery Visitations Meeting which will commence with Vespers at the church of the Immaculate Conception, Bicester, OX26 1UN, followed by a meeting in the St John Paul II Centre (next door to the church) on Thursday, 27th June at 7 pm.

His Grace Archbishop Bernard Longley and Episcopal Vicar Canon Paul Fitzpatrick will report on the current parish visitations taking place in our Deanery

Fr Hudson's Care, Caritas development lead. Applications are being sought for the Caritas development lead who will be responsible for encouraging social action across the Catholic Archdiocese of Birmingham. Working with parishes, schools, local charities and other partners, this lead role will provide capacity building to promote the development of volunteer-led initiatives across the Diocese. For more details <https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/job-posts/caritas-development-lead/>. Closing Date Wednesday 5th June 2024 – Interviews Thursday 13th June 2024

Mass Intentions: We do not have many intentions for our masses, if you would like to arrange for a Mass to be said for a special intention or to remember a loved one, we do have envelopes at the rear of the Church. Please complete one of the envelopes and either give it to Fr Damian or one of the Stewards. It is usual to include a donation.

Church and Church Grounds and Parish Rooms Deep Clean, and Tidy up. Saturday 8th June From 9.30 – 12.30. The parish's next big event is the Parish Visitation and Confirmations over the 15th and 16th of June. The Cleaning team want to make everything look good and sparkle for the big weekend. We still need some help in the parish Grounds and Gardens! If you can spare some time, It is some little jobs for example clearing the weeds on the driveway, and a general tidy up around the church and the car park areas. **Please save the date to come and help if you can.**

The "100" Club May Draw: We still have some numbers the available numbers are listed next to the 100 Club box at the back of the church. For any queries, don't hesitate to contact Annette Howell at 07771847214 or email netandsteve@gmail.com.

St Mary's Primary School Henley in Arden. Vacancy for Foundation Governor. We have a vacancy for a Foundation Governor. The role is to challenge and support the school to ensure the best possible outcomes for all the pupils, and that the Catholic mission and ethos of the school is upheld. Foundation governors are formally appointed by the Diocese, and you must be a practising Catholic. You do not need to have a child attending the school and do not need to be an education expert to be a governor, but you do need to be willing to ask questions, engage with governor training opportunities and be committed to the vision and values of our school and the Multi-Academy. All governors must complete an enhanced DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check before being appointed.

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