



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER
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 'A prophet is only despised in his own country'.
 Mark 6:1-6 Psalter Week 2

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th- 7th July 2024.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July: For the Pastoral Care of The Sick. Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

Sat 6 th July	Vigil for the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	5.30 pm Mass Divine Healing on Maureen Walsh, Michael Walsh and Peggy Lennon. Parish Maintenance Collection
Sun 7 th July	The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am Mass: Parish Maintenance Collection
Mon 8 th July	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass.
Tues 9 th July	Feria in Ordinary Time	No Mass.
Wed 10 th July	Abbott	9.30 am Mass.
Thur 11 th July	Feast of St Benedict's Abbot Parish Patron Co patron of Europe	6.30 pm mass. Alfred Bates RIP Tea and Coffee in the Parish rooms
Fri 12 th July	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass
Sat 13 th July	Vigil for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	5.30 pm Mass Kenneth Linfoot RIP Sea Sunday Collection
Sun 14 th July	The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am Mass Martin Behan RIP Sea Sunday Collection

Message from Fr Damian. The readings for the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time are a call to listen to God and follow Him even when those around us do not. These readings make us think of how we can persist as Christ's disciples in times of adversity and how to handle rejection. It calls us to have faith and recognize God's messengers in our lives.

Feast of St Benedict. Thursday 11th July: We have moved our evening mass to Thursday Night this week to celebrate our Parish Patronal Feast of St Benedict. Please do come along to share in the mass to dedicate ourselves to St Benedict, we will have tea coffee and biscuits after in our parish rooms.

Advent 2024 New Lectionaries. Although a few years ago we bought some new Lectionaries, Sadly from Advent this year the Church in England and Wales will be using a new translation of the Bible and a new version of some of the prayers and responses. All churches will have to use the new version from Advent 2024 the old books will no longer be in use. This new translation of the lectionary from the English Standard Version, Catholic Edition (ESVCE), is to be used in all churches. We have preordered the Ambo edition of the Lectionaries. They come as a set of four volumes they cost around £175 each but with a preorder discount are reduced to £145.25 each. We have also ordered the new book of the gospels which was £275 with a preorder discount is now £233.75. If anyone would like to consider donating one of the four volumes or for the book of the Gospels we shall need, please let Father Damian know, or email the parish at olasb.woottotnwawen@rcaob.org.uk We can have them inscribed as a lasting dedication to a family's intention for a loved one. Thank you.

Parish Summer Afternoon Tea Saturday 20th July at 3 pm: You are warmly invited to join us for the Parish Summer Afternoon Tea in the gardens of Our Lady & St. Benedict's Cost: £8.00 per person, children under 5 free, 5- 10 £4.00 Please do come along with family and friends and have some fun! We will welcome with open arms any help, both on the day or with some donations of Savouries, Cakes, Traybakes Scones and Sweets. Please contact Leslie on 07912 623990.

Parish Maintenance Fund: This monthly collection to help our own parish needs will be held over this weekend.

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 those who have died, especially members of our own families for John Lennon and Bridle Burke and our parish Anniversaries, James Miller, Ann Stackpoole, Jane Bricklell, Tom Connell, Maria Clarke, Martin Behan, Kenneth Linfoot, and Maurice Fitzmaurice, may they experience the joy of new life in the risen Christ.

Sea Sunday 13- 14th July: On this Sunday we are encouraged to Pray and give financial contributions to support the work of Stella Maris, the Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church. The second collection on this Sunday is vital for the future of Stella Maris and its support of foreign seafarers arriving and working in the UK.

St Mary's School Henley in Arden Teaching Assistant Vacancies: The School has an urgent vacancy for a teacher's assistant to support a child in their learning. For more information, please contact the school on [tel: 01564792316](tel:01564792316) or email smh-office@smh.magnificat.org.uk

St Mary's School Foundation Governor Vacancies: We have two vacancies on the School's Local Governing Board for new foundation Governors, please contact the school above or John Burke at jburke@gov.magnificat.org.uk. There are leaflets in the Church with more details.

Parish Celebration of Fr Damian's Silver Jubilee: Our next big parish event is Fr Damian's Jubilee to mark 25 years since his ordination on 18th August 2024. We do have donation envelopes for parishioners and friends to contribute to make this a wonderful event for Fr Damian to recognise his service to the Church and our parish community for the past seven years.

Missio Collection 2023. We have had a thank you note from Fr Anthony Chantry the National Director of Missio to thank us for our donations of £182.00 raised through the red boxes and individual donations last year.

The "100" Club July 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.

Ordination of Auxiliary Bishops: The episcopal ordination of Mgr. Timothy Menezes and Canon Richard Walker as auxiliary bishops of the Archdiocese of Birmingham will take place at noon on Tuesday 16th July at St. Chad's Cathedral. Due to limitations on space, the Mass of Ordination is by invitation only, but all are welcome to join online via the cathedral's live stream facility. The booklet for the Ordination will be available on the website and it is hoped it will also be recorded.

Banbury & Warwick Deanery. At the First meeting of the Deanery Pastoral Council (DPC) meeting on Wed 8th May 2024, over 40 lay representatives and parish priests/ deacons met for the first meeting in Bicester. The minutes are on the Deanery website. The main agenda item was around the grouping of the parishes into 5 possible clusters, known as Leamington, Rugby, Bicester & Banbury, Stratford and Kenilworth. It was agreed that the representatives of the parishes on the Deanery PC should meet with the parish priests before the next meeting on 19th September, to discuss the proposed clusters, recommend any improvements and share how parishes within the cluster can support each other in fulfilling the Diocesan Vision.

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