

OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER Alcester Road, Wootton Wawen, B95 6BQ Tel: 01564 792647 Priest-in-Charge: Fr. Damian Nwankwo fr.damian.nwankwo@rcaob.org.uk Parish Email: <u>olasb.woottonwawen@rcaob.org.uk</u> The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Registered Charity No. 234216 'Take nothing with you' Mark 6:7-13 Psalter Week 3

The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 13th – 14th July 2024. SEA SUNDAY

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 13 th July	Vigil for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary	5.30 pm Mass Kenneth Linfoot RIP
	Time	Sea Sunday Collection
Sun 14th July	The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am Mass Martin Behan RIP
		Sea Sunday Collection
Mon 15 th July	Memorial of St Bonaventure, Bishop,	9.30 am Mass.
	Doctor of the Church.	
Tues 16 th July	Feria in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm Mass.
Wed 17 th July	Feria in Ordinary Time	No Mass
Thurs 18 th July	Feria in Ordinary Time	1.30 pm mass. At St Mary's School
Fri 19 th July	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am Mass
Sat 20 th July	Vigil for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary	5.30 pm Mass
	Time	
Sun 21 st July	The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am Mass

Message from Fr Damian. The readings for this weekend focus on mission and blessings. In the reading from Amos, God calls a shepherd to be a prophet, showing that He can call anyone. St Paul in his Letter to the Ephesians reminds us of our spiritual blessings in Christ, including being chosen, redeemed, and sealed with the Holy Spirit.

In our Gospel, Jesus sends out the Twelve apostles with authority, telling them to travel light and trust in God. They preach repentance and heal the sick. These readings teach us to listen for God's call, trust in His care, and live out our mission with faith and love.

Thursday 18th July Mass at 1.30 pm: We are joining the school for their end of term mass, At St Marys in Arden Road Henley in Arden. It would be wonderful if our parishioners could come along and join them.

Parish Summer Afternoon Tea Next 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 are 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 get in touch with Leslie on 07912 623990.

Sea Sunday 13- 14th July 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. **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 Nine years.

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 our parish Anniversaries, Martin Behan, Kenneth Linfoot, Maurice Fitzmaurice, Molly Morrisroe, Grace Irvine, John Rice, Thomas Walker, Joan O'Mahoney, Madeline Elliott, Sir Nicholas Scheele, Patrick Sutton, Nelian Wybrant and Nora Crawshaw, may they be raised to new and eternal life with our Lord Jesus Christ. **Health & Safety:** The Diocese has told us to prepare and review all the key H & S areas covered by law by July 31. This is a big task! It includes 1. General Risk Assessment, 2. Fire Risk Assessment, 3. Asbestos compliance, 4. Electrical compliance, 5. Legionella compliance, 6. Tree Safety, 7. Oil Heating, 8. H & S Training. Before seeking outside firms, we'd like to know if we've any parishioners qualified & suitable insured who'd be in a position to help. Please speak with Fr Damian or Louise if you are qualified in one of these areas.

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 <u>olasb.woottotnwawen@rcaob.org.uk</u> We can have them inscribed as a lasting dedication to a family's intention for a loved one. Thank you.

St Mary's School Foundation Governor Vacancies: We have two vacancies on the School's Local Governing Board for new foundation Governors, don't hesitate to get in touch with the school don't hesitate to get in touch with the school on <u>tel: 01564792316</u> or email <u>smh-office@smh.magnificat.org.uk</u> or John Burke at <u>jburke@gov.magnificat.org.uk</u>. There are leaflets in the Church with more details.

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 <u>netandsteve@gmail.com</u>.

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. 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.

Archdiocese of Birmingham Vision: *"Our Vision is to be a Catholic Diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour".*

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contacted at 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

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