



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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"Everything the Father has is mine; All the Spirit tells you will be taken from what is mine." John 16:12-15 Psalter week 3

Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for June: That the world might grow in compassion. Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity 14th- 15th June 2025

Saturday 14 th June	Vigil for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Second Collection, Day for Life	5.30 Mass: Divine Healing on Maureen Walsh, Michael Walsh, and Peggy Lennon
Sunday 15 th June	The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Second Collection, Day for Life	10.00 Mass
Mon 16 th June	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am mass
Tues 17 th June	Feria in Ordinary Time	6.30 pm mass
Wed 18 th June	Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral Church of St Chad	9.30 am mass
Thurs 19 th June	Feria in Ordinary Time	No Mass
Fri 20 th June	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30 am mass
Saturday 21 st June	Vigil for The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	5.30 Mass
Sunday 22 nd June	The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	10.00 Mass and Confirmation with Bishop Richard Walker

Day for Life, 15th June 2025. This year's Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. It will take place on 15th June. More information is available on the Bishops' Conference website <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/>, as well as at <https://prayforlife.ie/>.

The Second Collection This weekend is for the Day for Life Fund. This Fund provides financial assistance each year to organisations working to support the Church's mission to protect human life from conception to natural death.

Message from Fr Damian. Trinity Sunday. This weekend, our readings help us to understand the deep connection between the God the Father, Jesus as Son, and the Holy Spirit. Jesus teaches us that everything the Father has also belongs to the Son. This shows their unity and shared mission. They work together perfectly, showing us what true harmony looks like.

The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are not separate in their actions. They are always united in their purpose. When Jesus came to earth, he did the will of the Father. When the Holy Spirit came, it was to continue the work of Jesus. This unity helps us see how closely they are connected. We can learn from this unity in our own lives. As followers of Christ, we are called to work together in love and purpose. Just as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit share everything, we should share our gifts and talents with others. This strengthens our community and helps us fulfil God's mission.

Prayer Intentions: We pray for all on our parish sick list and for those who care for them. May the holy spirit strengthen them in their need. For those who have died, remembering especially members of our own families and those who are known to us, for all whose anniversaries occur. Cecil Dyer, Christopher Thomas, Arthur Cosnett, Ida Dempster, George Shaw, Cecil Bebbington, Elizabeth Murray and Margaret Pope. May they enter into the everlasting peace of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Please remember in your prayers our Children who are being confirmed next weekend by Bishop Richard Walker.**

Extraordinary Eucharist Ministers needed: The Extraordinary Eucharist minister serves Christ who is present in our masses by ministering his Body and Blood to their brothers and sisters. We want to increase the number of Eucharistic Ministers available to help at our Sunday Masses. If you think you can help, please speak to Fr Damian.

Congratulations to Canon David Hartley: Recently, Fr David Hartley, Dean of Banbury and Warwick Deanery of St Joseph's Whitnash, was installed as a canon of St Chad's Cathedral.

Parish Summer Afternoon Tea: The event was a tremendous success, with around 45 parishioners and friends attending to enjoy each other's company, delicious savoury dishes, and wonderful baked goods. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to make this such a fantastic afternoon. We raised approximately £380.

Diocesan Pilgrimage To the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford, Sunday, July 7th

2.15 - 3.45 pm - Confessions. 3 pm Rosary. 4 pm Mass & Sacrament of the Sick
Celebrant Bishop Timothy Menezes. Please bring your own chairs. Hednesford, near Cannock. The Church and Shrine are on Uxbridge Street on the A460, WS12 1DB. For further information, contact: Fr Jeremy Howard, 07868 542268 or email fr.jeremy.howard@rcaob.org.uk

100 Club June Draw: It is not too late to sign up; we still have some numbers unclaimed. There are "sign-up envelopes" at the back of the church for new subscribers. For BACS. payments, please get in touch with Mary Mayo at pt.olasb.woottonwawen@rcaob.org.uk. You can contact me for any queries at netandsteve@gmail.com. Many thanks. Annette.

Financial Offerings and Donations for Our Lady and St Benedict Church: Parishioners are encouraged to consider setting up a Standing Order for regularly supporting the parish using the following details. These details may also be used for one-off donations.

A/c Name: RCA Birmingham Parish of Our Lady & St. Benedict, Wotton Wawen.

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Gift Aid forms are available from Mary Mayo. Please inform Mary once the Standing Order is set up. pt.olasb.woottonwawen@rcaob.org.uk.

WeBelieve Festival, 25th-28th July 2025: This will be a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott, Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr. Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more.

Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the entire weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40.

Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webelievelfestival.com

Stratford Food Bank: They have been incredibly busy during May half term, giving out 20 lunch box hampers to families with children, besides emergency food parcels, which have fed 44 children. During May, they gave out 4.3 tonnes of food. The donations from churches last month totalled 177kg. They had a food drive in Tesco food, which was remarkably successful, bringing in 536kg of food. This month's most needed items are Tinned curry, Tinned Corned Beef, Instant whip, Toilet roll, Pasta sauce, Nappies, Chocolate, Coffee and Deodorant or any other items you can spare. Please drop off any donations in the box at the back of the church.

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."*

Safeguarding Information from The Archdiocese Office: Our Lady and St. Benedict's parish always operates following Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Catherine Treacy. She can be contacted at:

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