2nd March. Through Lent, there will be some extra activities in Church for people to immerse themselves into the penitential season. On Friday mornings, in addition to our usual 10:00am Mass, we will have an early morning Mass at 8:00am. We will also have Stations of the Cross after the 10:00am Mass on Friday. Stations of the Cross will also take the place of Rosary and Exposition at 10:00am on Saturday's.

PARISH LOTTERY

Our Parish Lottery draw took place on Friday 18th February, with a prize jackpot of £131. The winning numbers were: 02, 05, 06, 07, 12, and 15. There were no winner. The £10 consolation prize went to ticket number 322065. Next weeks jackpot will be approximately £238. Many thanks for your continued support.

FOODBANK NEWS

Last Thursday, the local foodbank fed 41 people. From April 2021— January 2022 we have fed in excess of 1100 mouths. With Cash donations over the Christmas period, we made 'Christmas Dinner Packs', which consisted of enough food to cook a full Christmas dinner. These where greatly received by the families who came into us. We now have a fridge and freezer, and so we are able to offer small treats to people including some frozen and chilled food. These have been bought by the cash donations that we have received. Thank you for your ongoing help and support.

PARISH LUNCH CLUB

The Parish Lunch Club will restart at 12:30pm on Thursday 10th March, in Saint Oswald's Presbytery. All are welcome to come along, but if we could ask that for this first occasion, you could let the office know you are hoping to attend, for catering purposes. Many thanks.

RED MISSION BOXES

Terry Mainwaring will be at this weekends masses if anyone has a box to be collected. Many thanks.

The Parishes of Saint Oswald and Saint Sebastian

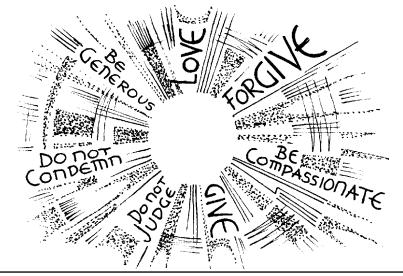
Parish Clergy Fr. Liam Collister Dcn. John Power Dcn. John McGeoch (*Retired*)

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Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am — 3:30pm. *The office and presbytery are closed on Wednesday*

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> Sunday 20th February 2022 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat 19	10:00	Rosary, Novena, and Exposition — StO
	15:30	Exposition and Confessions — StO
	16:30	George & Mary Swarbrick (Wed. Ann) — StO
Sun 20	09:30	Parishioners — StO
	10:30	Tea and coffee morning
	11:00	Ian & Beth Yardley — StS
	12:30	Baptism's — StO
Mon 21	10:00	LISCF — StO
Tues 22	10:00	Foundation Mass — StO
Wed 23		No Mass / Service
Thurs 24	10:00	Deceased Sisters of Mercy — StO
Fri 25	10:00	Agnes and Frank Quinn — StO
Sat 26	10:00	Rosary, Novena, and Exposition — StO
	13:00	Baptism's — StO
	15:30	Exposition and Confessions — StO
	16:30	John & Catherine O'Gorman (RIP) — StO
Sun 27	09:30	Fr. Brendan Rice (RIP) — StO
	10:30	Tea and coffee morning
	11:00	Parishioners — StS
	12:30	Baptism's — StO
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StO — Saint Oswald's Church StS — Saint Sebastian's School Hall

If you have tested positive for Covid-19, or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive, please follow all medical advice; and isolate if necessary.

LATELY DEAD

We pray for all who have died recently, including: Fr. Tony Reynolds and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May they rest in peace.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please pray for all who have asked for prayers, including: Joseph Keaveney; Padraig Egan; Ann Tyrrell; Mary & John Murphy; Lily Thomas; Josh Thomas; Wally & Kath; Religious Vocations; Eibhlin & Derek; Sadbh; Ide & Maurice; Lornagh, Thomas, Lily, Tom Ōg, & baby; Lesley Anders; Patricia Halligan, Monica Bellew, Fr. John Poland, Mary Carroll, Pauline Murphy, Asham Yadi, Maura, Ann O'Gorman, Stephen Parkinson, Bob & Brenda Wike, Jade Wilson, Lawrence Russell, Jake Sweeney, Fr. Tom Gagie. If you want an intention on the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.

PARISH PRAYER LAMPS

Parish Prayer Lamps may be lit for any intention. Blue Lamps 1. Religious Vocations 2. Alan Hargreaves (RIP) White Lamps 1. Mary Josephine Thomas (RIP) 2. Special Intention (Anon) If you have an intention for our Prayer Lamps, please contact the Parish Office. We ask for a donation of £5 per Prayer Lamp.

CHILDREN IN CHURCH

A mother contacted the office asking about children coming to Mass. She said that she had a bad experience when she brought her child to one of our weekend Masses recently, and she ended up leaving the Mass feeling that she and her children were not welcome. This was because someone approached her and made comments about how her child was making some noises. I cannot stress this enough: **all children, including those who are noisy, should be welcomed to any of our Masses, just as much as adults within our communities are welcome, even when they talk and make noise during Mass as well**. A Church Community that doesn't have the sound of children, is a Church Community that is in decline. We should be welcoming all families with open arms, especially those with often young and sometimes noisy children.

MUSIC AT MASS

We are hoping to start a music group to lead the music and singing in the near future. Hopefully we can start with Holy Week, and then continue with playing at the 09:30am Mass after Easter. If you would like to get involved, please get in touch with the office to put your name down. All musicians and singers would be very welcome!

LENT 2022

The season of Lent is fast approaching, beginning on Ash Wednesday, the