St. Joseph the Worker Bidford-on-Avon

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Times of Mass & Services 27th/28th August 2016 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY (C)

Saturday5.30 pm Mary O'Shea IntSunday11.00 am People of the ParishMonday10.00 am Danny Ryan RIPTuesday10.00 am Private Int (PH)

Wednesday
10.00 am Maria McLoughlin RIP
6.15 pm Pon Smith PIP

Thursday 6.15 pm Ron Smith RIP **Friday** 9.00 am Annie Kearns RIP

Saturday 5.30 pm Maria & Dominic Thompson Int

Sunday 11.00 am People of the Parish

Confessions Saturday evening after Mass.

<u>MONDAY</u> is the Memorial of the Beheading of St John the Baptist.

<u>TUESDAY</u> is the Memorial of Ss. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, three canonised female martyrs of the English Reformation.

1,000 YEARS SINCE ST OSBURG St

Osburg was a Benedictine Abbess, sent from the North of England by King Canute at the beginning of the 11th Century to found a monastery in the Midlands. She chose a spot by what is now known as the River Sherbourne. This was the first settlement and developed into what is now Coventry. It was the 4th most prominent City in England in the Middle Ages. There was a strong cult to St Osburg in the City at that time, her Feast Day being a public holiday. The Catholic Community in Coventry are marking the 1,000th anniversary of the death of St Osburg. Archbishop Bernard will be the Main Celebrant at Mass at St Osburg's Church on Sunday 11th Sept, which Church Leaders and Civic Dignitaries will also be attending. I have been invited, having served for 16 years as Parish Priest. Fr Zbigniew Zieba, who is Professor of Scripture at Oscott College, has accepted to supply here that morning. When he came from Poland and first served in this country the people found his name difficult to pronounce and, instead, called him Fr Ziggy, which has stuck. Fr

Ziggy assisted me for several years at St Osburg's while he worked on his Doctorate.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Bishop Robert Byrne, Cong. Orat., will be coming to our parish to give the Sacrament of Conifirmation at 11am Mass on Sunday 18th September. In this Year of Mercy he will also take the opportunity to offer Mass at Long Lartin Prison at 9am. Please pray for the young people of our parish preparing to receive the Sacrament, whose pictures are shown in Church.

"LOOKING AFTER A LOVED ONE LIVING WITH DEMENTIA?" If you are a carer for a loved one who is living with the early stages of dementia. Whatever type. Then this friendly *free* kprogramme is for you. Commencing Tues. 13th September 2.00 until 4.00pm, at St Laurence Parish Hall. To book a place please ring Louise Brandon 01789 292145 or 07715326713.

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- Are you a regular churchgoer? If so

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<u>OFFERTORY COLLECTION</u> 21st Aug. £159.24, plus £270 per week in Standing Orders. *Thank you*.

Please pray for the sick, housebound and those who care for them: Niamh Coyne, Pat Hopkins, Betty Gowers, Mary Normoyle, Clive Stanbrook, David Ryan, Michael Moore, John Fisher, Archie Parsons, Heather Gerard, Chris Browne, Brian Holberry, Mary Palmer, Emily Parker, Shelly & Margaret Gray, Phil Palmer, Liz Gowers, Mary Lamming, Martin Prickett, Peter Jones, Mary McInnis.