## **Important Dates for your diary**

Forthcoming Second Collections for December 2018

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December: Poor Parishes Fund

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas Church's Flowers for St. Elizabeth's

**Sunday 2nd December:** There will be a second collection this Sunday for

Our Church flowers for St. Elizabeth's.

Tuesday 4th December Tea and Chat: 2:00pm-4:00pm in Parish Hall.

Thursday 6th December at 7:00pm: Confirmation with Bishop William in Church. Candidates from The Good Shepherd and St Elizabeth's schools will be Confirmed.

**Sunday 9th December:** There will be a second collection next Sunday for Poor Parishes Fund.

Sunday 9th Dec. at 10:15am Justice and Peace meeting in the Parish Hall.

Sunday 9th December, Parish Fundraising Events: Next Sunday is a significant day for our Parish. A Fundraising social event has been organised to raise much-needed funds for the re-wiring of the Church and House: There will be a Christmas Fayre with similar attractions to the Table-Top Sale, cake stall, plus Youth activities, games, a raffle and of course Santa will appear after both morning Masses and up to lunch time at 2pm in the parish centre. This is an ideal opportunity to involve yourself in Parish fund raising. Please see Stan Milewski/Tony Ashby and John Moran for details.

**Wednesday 12th December at 7pm:** Advent Penitential Service for Adults and First Confessions for year 3 of our parish schools.

**Sunday 13th January at 9:00am:** Thanksgiving Mass for pupils who received their Confirmation on 6th December, for their teachers, Sponsors and families.

**The 200 Club:** The winner for last month was number **17 'Frances Wright' £70.** New members are most welcome to join. Monthly membership is only £2. (Or £24 a year). For more information please Contact Sr. Joan or Tony Ashby.

Death Anniversaries this Week: Anna Cramp, Annie Lizzie Claw, Mary Kell, Adrian Philip Poole, Michael Raggett, Herbert Henry Kelsey, John Anthony Quigley, Michael Jordan, Peter Thomas Maher, Stephen Collins, John Hastings, Joseph Smith, Lydia Hastings, William Hughes, Martin Thomas Tynan, Andrew Thomas Kinnie, George Patrick Coombes, William McNamara, Mark Pratt, Christina Mary Hogan, Eugene Williamson, Maurice Peter Sheridan, William Sheppard, Ishar Dass Sahunta, Mary Elizabeth Sheils, Alexander Gentles, Martin Nagle, Nancy Anne King, James Ivers, Christopher Masterson, Frances Ward, Johanna Johnson, Patrick Howe, Dorothy Green, Margaret Kerr, Joan Stewart, Margaret Hudson, Patrick Joseph Keenan and Christopher Torley. May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace!

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Apostles of Jesus Serves:

St. Elizabeth's

St. Osburg's

St. Mary's

### St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church

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Sr Joan
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Mrs S Moran & Sr Olivia
Confirmations & RCIA
Miss A Harkin & Sr Olivia
Church Flowers
Children's Liturgy and
Parish Hall Booking
Mr Richard Swift

#### **Safeguarding Officer**

Miss Laura Srodon (Solicitor)
Church Music/Liturgy
Miss Laura Srodon

Gift Aid Scheme
Mr Stan Milewski

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Chair of Parish Finance

Mr Tony Ashby

**Sacristan** Miss Ann Harkin & Sr Joan

Altar Servers
Sr Joan and Alaysa Embate

CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

Justice and Peace

Maria

**Red Boxes** Mr Bob Ayliffe 2nd December: 1st of Advent Sunday Year C Parish Mass Book - Readings on page 26

## Advent is Here, Another Opportunity for Renewal of Faith

Dear friends, we have just closed the liturgical year crowned with the solemnity of Christ the king, which we celebrated last Sunday (34 Sunday year B). Today we are celebrating the first Sunday of advent marking the beginning of the new liturgical year C. Mother church invites us to begin this liturgical year by having an evaluation and renewal of faith for four weeks of advent reflecting on waiting for good news with hope, promotion of peace, meaning of joy and renewal of faith all being guided by the law of love.

We shall light four advent candles and the fifth white one in the center of the wreath at Christmas time. One candle each week starting today, and they are placed in a round ever-green wreath. The ever-green wreath symbolizes eternal life. The four advent candles, namely the prophets' candle symbolizes Hope, Bethlehem candle symbolizes Faith, the Shepherds candle symbolizes Joy and the Angels candle symbolizes Peace. Let us light our candles throughout our lives to keep these themes renewed in our Christian faith and to continue renewing our commitment to serve God in prayer and sacrifice.

The coming of Christ is not only a gift of grace and salvation but it is also a time of commitment because it motivates us to live the present with responsibility and vigilance. I wish you a fruitful advent whose summit will be the joyful celebration of God's love at Christmas. Fr. E. Sunday

Mass Times and Mass Intentions for this Week. Last week Yr. B				
Sunday	9:00am	Seebo Masih Thapar R.I.P	1st Sunday of	
2nd Dec.	11:15am	Janvier Musongela R.I.P. Martina Acu David R.I.P	Advent Year C	
Mon. 3rd	9:00am	Martina Acu David R.I.P		
	10:00am	Confessions at St. Elizabeth's School	St. Francis Xavier	
	1:30pm	Confessions at Good Shepherd School		
Wed. 5th	9:00am	Eucharistic Service	St. Birinus	
Thu. 6th	9:15am	Martina Acu David R.I.P		
	7:00pm	Confirmation Mass		
Fri. 7th	6:30pm	Martina Acu David, R.I.P.	St. Ambrose	
Sat. 8th	11:00am	Martina Acu David R.I.P	Immaculate conception	
Sunday 9th Dec.	9:00am	Mr WF Ashby R.I.P.	2nd Sunday of	
	11:15am	Fred Corbett R.I.P. Lilly Knight R.I.P Gladys Rooney R.I.P.	Advent Year C	

Sunday's	Rota for Readers &	E. Ministers
Extra Ord. Ministers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
9:00am	Lakhwinder	Elizabeth Ayliffe
	Asha Thapar	Sonya Moran
	Sandra Chaplin	Sandra Chaplin
11:15am	Elizabeth Karota	Phebion Mudoti
	Jennet King	Louis Kadjo
Readers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
9:00am	Sonya Moran	Stan Milewski
	Youth Reader	Youth Reader
11:15am	Craig Noureya	Christine Rothwel
	Youth Reader	Youth Reader

	Weekly Offertory	
Church Cleaning Team: C	Gift Aid:	£389.00
(Thursday Evening 6:00pm)	Non Gift Aid:	£378.81
Maria Paska and Angeline A	Catholic Youth Service	£140.76
	Thank you very much for your generosity.	

## **Parish Notices**

#### Advent Season and Walk with me Booklets/Calendars

The walk with me booklets and calendars are now ready at the back of the Church for us to collect. Your donation of £1 per booklet will be greatly appreciated. You can also put your donation in first offertory collection if you preferred it.

**Coventry Open Christmas**: Its that time of the year again when we try to think of others who are less fortunate than ourselves. There will be a box at the back of the Church throughout December for winter clothes and dried food. Your donations are appreciated. For more information of other items to be donated, please check on the notice board at the back of the Church.

**Parish membership's Registration Form:** It has been quite a while since we took our parish census. We would like to take the actual statistics or counts of all our parishioners, practicing and non-practicing members. Forms are still available in church for you to take, fill and return to Fr Moses or to the Sisters.

Devotions to Our Lady on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Saturday 8th December: After 10am Mass at St Peter's Church, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa CV32 5AE there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament up to noon. There will be various prayers and devotions including the rosary. The intention is for the Sanctity of Life from conception to natural death. Our church is open on Saturdays at 9am with exposition up to Mass, confessions at 9.15am and Morning Prayer at 9.40am.

Parish Workers get together: Saturday 15th of December starting at 4:00pm to 7:30pm at the Parish Centre. All Parish workers and their families are invited. Please bring foods to share. Drinks will be provided. Thank you

**Live Simply— Recycling of Mobile Phones**: Please do consider our Live Simply re-cycling scheme box at the back of the church as the more we collect the more goes to the church. God Bless. Justice and Peace Group.

**Fr. Moses** is grateful for your prayers as he arrived safely at home in the South Sudan for the funeral of his mother Martina Acu. Please let us keep him and family in prayer.

### **Parish Pastoral Information**

**Exposition, and Penance/Confession:** Every Saturday from 11:20am. to 12:30pm. In emergency please call to the Presbytery or call 024 76 68 85 36



**Ethnic Chaplaincy: Shona/Ndebele and Punjabi Communities Masses:** 

Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:

Caroline Dickinson, Dina Kuczynski, Victor De Souza, Charley Williams, Mary Kean, Mary Gallagher, Kath Darragh, Mrs Doyle, Rohith De Silva, Joan Skidmore and Joe Shannon. **Get Well Soon.**