

Important Notices

Fundraising “Buy a Brick” Campaign 2020: ‘Buy a Brick’ campaign; for a £5 donation, you will have your name included in a specially printed thank you book inside the building once complete; and all donations £25 and above, will have their names written on a plaque or Bricks itself. A target of £5000 has been set and the progress shall be monitored regularly. You can use the newly created “DONATE” site on our parish website, and please make sure indicate it’s for “New Parish Hall”, or complete the Standing Order Form, or drop your cheque or money to the church or presbytery.

Funeral Services: I wish to thank you all for your ongoing prayers during this Pandemic. We continue to pray for those who have died and all for all who have been bereaved. One of the sacrifices in this Pandemic is not having funeral services in Church. As our churches begin to re-open safely, with the help of volunteers, those that do open, may from Monday 22nd June host funeral services in accordance with the Guidelines that have been shared with clergy and with the co-operation of undertakers. These funeral services will necessarily involve volunteers to assist in cleaning churches after each funeral. The decision as to whether a funeral service may take place rests with the Parish Priest/Priest in charge. Not all churches will be able to comply with the guidelines at present, so please be aware that may be the case and please respect that situation. The Government does not permit the celebration of public Mass at present. So these funeral services may not be funeral Masses. I realise that will cause upset to mourners and clergy alike. The Bishops’ Conference is co-operating with the Government and we all hope that guidelines for the safe celebration of Mass will be agreed soon. A Mass *in Memoriam* may be offered for the deceased with the family present at a later date, when we are able to gather again for Mass. I anticipate that there will be further guidance agreed by the Government concerning Baptisms, Marriages and Mass in the future. These will be shared with our clergy in a timely manner. Be assured of my prayers for you all.
Archbishop B Longley

Death Anniversaries this Week: Thomas Finnegan, Elizabeth McSweeney, Joseph Lee, Mary Murphy, Christopher O’Toole, Francis Ward, Lawrence Martin King, Catherine Tamney, Anna Maria Flinn, Mary Coady, Gilbert Robert Charlton, James Sheils, Mary Conneely, William McCargo, Joseph Patrick Quigley, Ronald Cyril Smallridge, Lovemore Mudoti, Elizabeth Sheridan, Kathleen Moran, Sister Madeline Kane LSA, Elizabeth Furrier, Mary Murphy, Christine Ryan, Lillian Collins, Sarah Ellen Donaghue, Catherine Ryan, James O’Neill, Louise Connelly, Mary Margaret Winstanley, Karoly Kocsis, Maria Patricia Douney, Joseph Cubby, John May, Robert Kavanagh, Dorothy Mary McSade and Mary Theresa Slater.
May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace

This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: **Registered Charity No: 234216**

CHURCH’s Live-streaming

<https://www.watchmcnmedia.tv/camera/st-elizabeth-church-coventry>



Apostles of Jesus Serves:

St. Osburg’s

St. Mary’s

St. Elizabeth’s

St. Elizabeth’s Roman Catholic Church

Parish Priest: Rev Moses Pitya David. AJ.

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Parish Schools (Heads)

St. Elizabeth’s

Mr Michael Doyle

Good Shepherd

Mr Andy McConville

Parish Church

Parish Co-ordinators:

Parish Office

Sr Joan Wafala

Parish Maintenance Leader

Joe McCadden

First Holy Communions

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

Chair of Parish Finance

Mr Tony Ashby

Sacristan

Miss Ann Harkin & Sr Joan

Altar Servers

Sr Joan and Alysya Embate

CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

Justice and Peace:

Maria

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

Parish Notices

St Elizabeth’s Church is Open for Individual and Private Prayers only.

You are most welcome and thank you for visiting the Church. Please be reminded that we are now open and operating under a reduced timetable as detailed below:

Wednesday 8:30am – 9:30am

Friday from 8:30am – 9.30am.

Sunday from 2pm – 4pm.

Please note that:

- ◆ There will be a restricted number of people allowed into the church.
- ◆ Please wear a mask or face covering while you are in church
- ◆ Entrance is through the centre doors
- ◆ Please use the hand sanitiser provided at the entrance, after lighting candle, and when leaving the church
- ◆ We operate on one-way system, please follow the signs.
- ◆ Please follow the directions of the stewards
- ◆ Benches marked available are there for you to sit and pray
- ◆ Candles are available at the Sacred Heart, Our Lady and at the back of the Church.
- ◆ Please observe 2m social distancing
- ◆ We request that you only stay for up to 15 minutes for your private visit to allow others the opportunity to enter.
- ◆ If you are unwell or have any symptoms of Covid-19, please do not visit, and stay safe at home.
- ◆ There are no toilet facilities in church (all closed)
- ◆ The Parish hall, garden, grotto, and Calvary remain closed and there is no onsite parking

Thank you very much for your understanding and pray safe. Fr Moses Pitya, AJ

Mass Times and Mass Intentions 12th Week of Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday 21st June	10:30am	Catherine and Peter Ryan R.I.P.	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon. 22nd	10:30am	Holy Souls	Ss John Fisher
Tues. 23rd	10:30am	Holy Souls	
Wed. 24th	10:30am	Mary and Mick Family Special Int.	Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Thur. 25th	10:30am	Holy Souls	
Fri. 26th	6:30pm	Bartholomew Richard De-Souza R.I.P.	
Sat. 27th	10:30am	Holy Souls	
Sunday 28th June	10:30am	Edward Doherty R.I.P.	Solemnity of SS Peter & Paul

Holy Rosary Live Broadcast's: By Sisters.

From now until further notice we shall only have livestream Rosary on:
Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 7:00pm.



Fundraising for the New Parish Hall during the lockdown & in 2020

Nigerian Community **£630** French Speaking Community **£845**
Individual donations **£387** Harambee Pledges **£185**
Buy-A-Brick **£135** Bicycle-Ride **£120**

Total income for 2020 £4,429.24 Thank you very much for your generosity.

Good Shepherd School Nursery: We are now taking applications for our school Nursery for September 2020. We are delighted to confirm we now have **three points of entry (subject to availability)** for our Nursery as follows: N1 - Child's DOB: 1 Sept 2016 - 31 Aug 2017 - child is eligible to start September 2020 or start of Autumn term. N2 - Child's DOB: 1 Sept 2017 - 31 Dec 2017 - child is eligible to start January 2021 or start of Spring term. N2 - Child's DOB: 1 Jan 2018 - 31 March 2018 - child is eligible to start April 2021 or start of Summer term. *Please note children in N2 will not be eligible to start School - Reception class until September 2022 so would remain in Nursery the following year.* **We have a limited range of session times available: Session Times.** Morning Nursery – 8:30am – 11:30am (15-hour places). Afternoon Nursery – 12:30am – 3:30pm (15-hour places). All day Nursery – 8:30am – 3:30pm* (a limited number of places are available for parents eligible for 30-hour funding, with a 30-hour code). It is the parent's responsibility to provide evidence of the code to the school. Contact the school or complete an application form via the school website.

Important Parish Website Links: Parish Newsletters: <https://stelizabethcoventry.org.uk/newsletters/> or **Archdiocese of Birmingham:** <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

12th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr. A

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13, Psalm: 68

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-15. Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

God's Call to Spread His Good News.

We are all called to help our heavenly Father to proclaim the gospel of Christ by word and deed, so that our ministry brings love where there is hatred, pardon where there is injury, faith where there is doubt, hope where there is despair and joy where there is sadness. In our Christian ministry we must be ready to face sufferings, hardships, sacrifices, rejection, even persecutions. Jeremiah is perhaps the greatest example of a minister who had to face such trials. "All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall" he cried out (Jer. 20:10).

Jeremiah was God's witness even at the risk of and eventually the cost of his life. He is aware of his ultimate doom and a call to martyrdom. We need to remind ourselves that the essential task of the Old Testament prophets was to bear witness to the supremacy of God, and not to foretell the future. Jeremiah accepts the Lord's commission, and he is not afraid. Jeremiah gave his life in witness to his faith, but he lives on: his life and his book of prophecy have been the inspiration of countless generations of Jews and Christians through the centuries.

We see Jesus in the gospel commissioning his apostles: "*Do not let men intimidate you ... Do not fear those who deprive the body of life but cannot destroy the soul Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will acknowledge before my Father in heaven.*" It is much the same message as the one to Jeremiah. The kingdom of God, God's cause, is founded primarily on persecution, on suffering. The history of Christianity bears witness that the Church has always flourished under persecution and suffering. And that continues to be the case in our time.

What about us? Are we to provoke persecution, go looking for it? Hardly. Persecution may give strength to the Church, but perhaps equal to it in efficacious results is the suffering, endured with love, of individual Christians. We can find much satisfaction in St Paul's mysterious words: "*Even now I find my joy in the suffering I endure for you. In my own flesh I fill up what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ for the sake of his body, the church*" (Col 1:24)

Every community of Christians has its full quota of ill, aged, lonely, and dying persons. These people need caring, encouragement and the conviction that their lives are as worthwhile for the welfare of the Church as when they were actively engaged in full and busy lives. What are we doing for them? do we ever visit them, make them feel wanted? They need to hear and be convinced of Jesus' words in today's gospel: "*As for you, every hair of your head has been counted; so, do not be afraid of anything. You are worth more than an entire flock of sparrows.*"

Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:

Caroline Dickinson, Dina Kuczynski, Mary Kean, Mary Gallagher, Teresa Doyle, Rohith De Silva, Joe Shannon and Julian. **Get Well Soon.**