

Important Notices

You are most welcome to a public Mass as advertised in this newsletter:

Masses in a time of COVID 19 will be conducted differently than normal. Some guidelines

Holy Communion.

- ◆ Receive in silence by hand only
- ◆ Offertory: put your offerings in a Basket provided at entrance, exit or after communion in front of the Altar (Sanctuary)

During Mass No

- ◆ Offertory Collection baskets passing around
- ◆ Kneeling on pew's kneelers - but only on the floor if you wish.

Cleaners needed after each Mass

- ◆ Please remain in Church after communion if you want to help to clean the benches, surfaces and the Church after each Mass.
- ◆ Please remain in Church if you want to light a votive candle after communion

Please note that: ...

- ◆ We can only accommodate **140** people in a single Mass
- ◆ You **must** wear face covering or a mask while.
- ◆ Sanitise your hands on entering & exiting the church, We use one-way system.
- ◆ **Offertory collection - please put in a basket as you enter, or as you leave the church after communion**

Macmillan Nurses Biggest Coffee Morning in the World: Over the last eight years the Parish of St. Elizabeth's has raised a total of £3,733 for the Macmillan Nurses cancer charity at an average of £442 per year. This year, due to the pandemic, we will not be able to hold a real event with coffee, tea, raffle, cake and Bric A Brac....However, funds are needed more urgently than ever this year and it has been decided to hold a virtual event on the last Wednesday and Friday of September. If anyone would like to make a contribution either cash or cheque etc, a collection plate (s) will be positioned at the exits to the Church on Sunday **September 27th** at both the 9:15am and 11:15am Masses, or if you would prefer, give to Fr. Moses, the sisters, or Tony Ashby (Chair of Finance). Thank you.

Death Anniversaries this Week: Alfred Plume, William Hackett, Gregory Browning, Veronica Smallridge, John Friel, Miriam Yardley, Mary Potsworth, Elizabeth Hart, Philip Vincent Vaisnora, Anne Carrol, Fredrick Joseph Alderson, John Richard Peter Verney, Anne Kelly, Hugh Bray, Patrick Flaherty, Kenneth James Ashton, Elizabeth Hart, William Morris Hutchings, Valerie Mahoney, Mary O'Reilly, Patrick McCabe, Anthony Declan Walters, Danny Taylor, Martin O'Dowd, Thomas Durkin, Mary Haughey, Robert Anthony Perry, David Bayliss, Christina Mackay, Margaret Mary Frances Hales, Terence John Grant, Patrick Cronin, Janet Scally, Kathleen Leddy and Kathleen Breslin.
May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace. Amen

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

CHURCH's Live-streaming

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



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 Alaysa Embate

CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

Justice and Peace:

Maria

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

Parish Notices

Baptism and Confirmation - RCIA: The postponed RCIA persons who have been attending Masses with us regularly before lockdown will be baptised and Confirmed on Saturday **3rd Oct at 9:15am** Mass.

The Young Adults – Baptism: The children taught by Mrs Sonya Moran who missed their baptism and First Holy communion will be baptised on Saturday **24th Oct at 9:15am** Mass.

First Holy Communion: The children taught by Mrs Sonya Moran who missed their First Holy Communion will their First Holy Communion on Saturday **31st Oct at 9:15am** Mass.

The New Hall Fund Box: These Boxes are available in church. Please collect from the sisters. It's for you if you would like to support in raising funds for our New parish hall. The boxes operate like the RED Mission Boxes, meant for any remaining change or (Coin) or cash. Please see the sample display on the Altar Rail. Take one of them, if you wish. Thank you.

Updates for 200 Club: Monthly membership is only £2 (Or £24 a year). **Remember all adults are welcome.** Next draw on Sunday 27th September after Mass. For more information please contact Sr. Joan or Tony Ashby.

Second Collection for Holy Places: This will take place this Sunday at all Masses. Please see what you can give to help this charity which was missed on Good Friday. Collection plates baskets will be placed near by the Stuarts. Thank you.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions 25th Week of Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday 20th Sept.	9:15am	Paithurupillai Gregory R.I.P.	25th Sunday Ordinary time
	11:15am	Noel Whelan R.I.P.	
Mon. 21st	9:15am	Datus Paul Mwanangwa	Virtual only
Wed. 23rd	9:15am	Owen Doherty R.I.P. Tracey and Gerald Miller R.I.P.	Public Mass
Thur. 24th	9:15am	School Mass in Church	With children
Fri. 25th	6:30pm	Matti Phillips R.I.P. Barry Leedham R.I.P.	Public Mass
Sat. 26th	9:15am	Barry Leedham R.I.P. Kathleen & Patrick Breslin R.I.P.	Public Mass
Sunday 27th Sept.	9:15am	Special Intention	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	11:15am	Kitty, Wesley & Harry Armstrong R.I.P.	

Holy Rosary Live Broadcast's: By Sisters.

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



Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme: £ **313.50**
Non Gift Aid Scheme: £ **253.82**
NPH Fund Boxes £ **190.36**

Total raised by parish's own effort for New Hall £23,710.30

Plus, Donation from Christ the King parish for the New Hall: £10,000

Burundian Coventry Community £1,320.

Thank you very much for your generosity.

First Holy Communion

St Elizabeth's will take place on Saturday 10th October at 9:19am.
Attendance by invitation only.

Good Shepherd's will take place on Saturday 17th October at 9:15am.
Attendance by invitation only.

25th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr. A

*First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9; Psalm: 144 Second Reading:
Philippians 1: 20-24,27 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16*

Amazing Generosity and Love

In the first reading of this Sunday, Prophet Isaiah tells us among other things, the disconcerting message that God's ways are not our ways. God has his own way of dealing with us that may not always please us. We human beings try in vain to create God in our image, but God is not like us; we are created, called, and given the mission to become like him in our lives. Jesus invites us to be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect, and to share in God's nature which is extremely extravagant in his love, mercy, and affection, as illustrated perfectly in the gospel of this Sunday. The gospel speaks about the vineyard and the behaviour of the owner. The owner of the vineyard goes out and hires labourers five times throughout the day: dawn, nine o'clock, noon, three o'clock, and five o'clock. Twice we are told what he will pay. To those hired at dawn he promises 'one denarius' – the usual daily wage. At nine o'clock he offers to pay 'a fair wage'. In Jesus' time it was normal for workers to receive their pay at the end of each day. In the book of Deuteronomy, the people are told they must pay their third hired servants each day 'before the sun goes down, since the servant is poor and is counting on them.

Jesus is not trying to teach a lesson in social or distributive justice or proposing a new kind of wage scale or labour relations as he tells us the story. *What he is teaching is the infinite, universal mercy, and love of God for all people.* It is mercy and love that cannot be earned or merited or bought with any price, even by a lifetime of hard work in the vineyard. The daily wage Jesus speaks about is "salvation" - God's own gift. Our work is to accept it gratefully and respond to it, - by fidelity to our Christian life in whatever vocation God has called us to, by caring for one another and for all who are in need of any kind. Our response is not carried out with any intention of putting God in debt to us, but simply as an expression of grateful love. Jesus perhaps had some of the Pharisees in mind in using this parable. Many of them were hypocritical and were convinced that God owed them salvation simply because of their lifelong fidelity in following the Mosaic Law.

The parable gives a precious insight into God's magnanimity. God wants us to be his partner in the Kingdom and enjoy his presence. It does not matter when we respond to his invitation. God invites each one of us to his Kingdom anytime. No one has advantage over other. God offers salvation to all out of his own magnanimity and compassion. No judging of others – whether lifelong or deathbed converts – all are equal in God's eyes. We must not begrudge salvation to anyone. We must not try to place limits on God's mercy and compassion, but we can be instruments and examples of God's mercy and love to others. Our greatest need as Christians is to realise fully in our inmost being, in our heart of hearts, how much God has loved and continues to love us.

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.**