

Important Notices

Easing of the restriction main points from June 21st.

The national guidelines.

- ◆ Continues use of hand sanitiser in church.
- ◆ Continues use of face covering or mask whilst in church.
- ◆ Cleansing of churches once a day except for frequent touch points.

Acts of Worship.

- ◆ Stewards required only for Sunday Mass and then only if there may be over subscription.
- ◆ Track and trace methods to continue with QR or manual writing.
- ◆ **Holy Communion** only one kind. Communion on the tongue allowed, but those who wish to receive in that way should wait until the end of communion and hands should be sanitised.
- ◆ **Offertory Collection** at it's proper time. Stewards will help with this.
- ◆ **Funerals** - 50 people only in our church.
- ◆ **Parish social activities** - may resume subject to latest government guidance.
- ◆ **Catechetical group/Youth/Prayer Groups** - permitted.
- ◆ If an activity is organised by a group or a body which takes responsibility for Covid-security, then it is permitted to hold events up to the socially-distanced capacity of the room provided steps are taken to ensure that there are groups of no more than 6 or two families and no mixing between those groups.
- ◆ Please note that there is no such relaxation for purely social events organised by an individual. The rule is the same as for domestic settings - no more than 6 or two family groups indoors or 30 outdoors. There is no provision for multiple groups.

Offertory Second Collection.

Sunday 20th June: There will be a second collection taken this Sunday to support the work of "Day for Life" organisation. This will be a retiring collection after the reception of the Holy Communion.

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Sunday 27th June: There will be a second collection taken this Sunday for "Peter Pence" This will be a retiring collection after the reception of the Holy Communion.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation: Please continue to pray for them.

Dates of reception of the Sacraments 2021:

Monday 28th June: Reconciliation at 6pm for both schools.

Thursday 1st July: Confirmation at 7pm - Good Shepherd.

Sunday 4th July: Holy Communion at 11:15am - St. Elizabeth's.

Saturday 10th July: Holy Communion at 9:15am - Good Shepherd

Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish: Caroline

Dickinson, Dina Kuczynski, Mary Kean, Mary Gallagher, Rohith De Silva, Joe Peters, Julian and Martine. **Get Well Soon.**

Death Anniversaries this Week: James J Gallagher, Lovemore Mudoti, Lawrence M King, Christopher O'Toole and James O'Neil. **May they rest in eternal Peace.**

Important Notice: Please contact **Fr Moses** if you would like to add names.

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

Church's Live-streaming: www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry



Apostles of Jesus Serves:

St. Osburg's

St. Mary's

St. Elizabeth's

St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church

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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

Update St Elizabeth's New Parish Hall Project.

Following the application to AGCF, the visit from Nigel Machin and the recent Trustee meeting of the GUBAY Foundations; I am pleased to let you know that the 'Foundation' has agreed to award us a grant of **£300,000** towards our new parish Centre. They will be drawing up the Grant Agreement in the coming weeks and to be signed. This is incredibly good news we have been waiting for quite a while. But this is still a little way to go to secure the remaining funding. However, along with the £100,000 committed from the Diocese, means that we are nearly there to the finish line.

What is Next? We have arranged for a Zoom meeting with all the stakeholders on 21st July to look at the project, to see what we need to do to move the project forward, and to get estimated dates etc. to answer the queries from the funder:

- **Date tenders will go out,**
- **Date contractor will be appointed,**
- **Date contractor will start,**
- **Date of practical completion**

What can we do as a parish? We know that the overall cost of the project is about £600,000 and with £400,000 secured, we need to renew our fundraising efforts to meet part of the remaining £200,000. I am grateful to all our generous parishioners, who for the last two years, have raised nearly £40,000 towards this project. Thank you very much. I appeal to you, dearest parishioners once again, to come to our aid, by means of your generous donations, Communities fundraising, Sponsors' events, Legacies etc. We have every confidence that we can see this project starting in the next **8 or more** months.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 12 Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 20th June	9:15am	Catherine & Peter Ryan R.I.P. Micky Alton & Oscar Owen R.I.P.	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. B
	11:15am	Pat Fallon R.I.P.	
Mon. 21st	9:15am		Public Mass St. Aloysius Gonzaga
Wed. 23rd	9:15am	Oscar Owen R.I.P.	Public Mass
Thur. 24th	7:00pm	Confirmation Mass for Yr. 6 St. Elizabeth's Sch.	School Children St. John the Baptist
Friday 25th	6:30pm	Liam Coulin R.I.P.	Public Mass
Sat. 26th	8:00am 9:15am	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament Richard Bartholomew R.I.P.	Public Mass
Sunday 27th June	9:15am	Edward Doherty R.I.P.	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. B
	11:15am	Keeth Ponkalam R.I.P.	

Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme: £325.50 Non Gift Aid: £286.06

New Parish Fund Box Hall : 127.56

"Buy a Brick": The Parish Community Hall Fundraising Committee, are relaunching this campaign with the aim of raising £2,500. Please pick up a leaflet at the back of church where the stewards are and support the initiative. Hopefully, as we get back to normal, the project of our new hall will also pick up the momentum, and shall be allowed a social gathering.

Junior Youth Group (Year 1 - Year 4 only): Mr John Moran and the team for this group are ready to begin the youth programme in the parish. We are grateful to God that we have now been allowed to gather and help our young people. But before we start we would like to know who is interested to join. We shall be collecting this information within the next one week. John Moran or Ann Harkin (stewards) - will take note of those parents who have interest for their kids to join.

Sacrament of Confirmation: The year 6 pupils and Candidates for Confirmation from St Elizabeth's Primary School, will be Confirmed by the Parish Priest, Fr Moses P David, on behalf, of Bishop William, this **Thursday June 24th at 7.00pm**. Please continue to remember them in your prayers. Congratulations to them in advance.

Diocesan Vision Leaflets: These will be available in Church Next week. The PDF version is now available in diocesan and parish websites. WWW.stelizabethcoventry.org.uk

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Readings: Job 38:1,8-11; Ps. 106; 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17; Mk. 4:35-41

The Storm!

A cargo ship carrying slaves was on its way to America. John Newton was its captain. He never worried whether slave trade was right or wrong. One night a violent storm blew up at the sea. The wave threw up Newton's ship around like a toy. When everyone on board was filled with panic, Newton did something which he had never done for years. He prayed. Shouting at the top of his voice, he said: "God! If you will only save us, I promise to be your slave for ever." God heard his prayer, the ship survived, and Newton became a priest. He wrote in his later years one of the most moving hymns: "Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me." Yes. God who creates all things controls everything. There is no situation that is so chaotic that God cannot subdue and create something surprisingly good out of it. It was when Job realised that God can, triumph over all suffering that he overcame his own suffering (Job 38:11). It is to proclaim God's triumph over all evil including death that St Paul wrote this: "Through Christ's death and resurrection, we are a new creation" (2Cor 5:17).

The boat that was caught in the storm with Jesus and his disciples in it, is a symbol to represent us. Many times, storms toss us around like tiny corks on the ocean of life. A storm may arise because of a severe alcohol, drug, or because of an overwhelming economic or health crisis, or unexplainable discouragement, despair, lack of appreciation or loneliness. At times, it could be about the past and future. At such moments when we feel at the bottom of a slimy pit, Jesus appeals to us to trust in his almighty power to subdue the storm and to rescue us from the domination of darkness.

The boat can also represent the Church, the community of believers. Christ's journey with the disciples in a boat across the sea was a mission to proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom abroad. Their fight with the storm on the sea was symbolic of the struggle that the Church of Christ would face in its mission to overcome suffering, death, and evil in the world. But the stilling of the storm by Christ was a guarantee that the Church will always come out successful in its mission, because of the presence of Christ in it.

Every follower of Jesus will have many occasions to launch out over troubled waters for some distant shore. If we always wait for perfect conditions, we will accomplish little. In building God's kingdom, we must expect storms of ridicule, severe criticism, even violence; yet we go forth. The secret of survival as a Church is not a bigger boat but a deeper faith. Whether the storms we encounter be in our lives as individuals or as a Church, we will triumph over them provided we rely on God's power and not on our own. Therefore, as we cry out, we need to keep our focus fixed not on the storm but on God. Within his encircling power we always stand, and, on every side, we feel his hand. God is never in a hurry, but he is always on time.

Evil of any kind can do nothing to us if we have faith and trust in God's power.