

## Important Notices

**St Joseph's Care Home.:** Situated in the beautiful surroundings of rural Warwickshire, St Joseph's Care Home offers a range of personalised services including residential care, specialised dementia care and short-term respite care in a friendly welcoming environment. With a dedicated and compassionate staff team who are passionate about making residents safe and happy in an environment that is just how home feels. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered and would be interested in more information or to book a virtual tour then please quote SJ1 and contact Care Home Manager Shelley Perryman on 01675 434559, email [shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk](mailto:shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk) or visit our website at [www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk](http://www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk).

### 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.
- ◆ **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.

**Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:** Caroline Dickinson, Dina Kuczynski, Mary Kean, Mary Gallagher, Rohith De Silva, Mr/Mrs Peters, Julian and Martine. **Get Well Soon.**

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** James Freeman, Samuel Lafferty, Thomas Quinney and Michael Curley. **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](http://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 Wafula

#### 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

### New Parish Hall Project

**What is Next?** We have arranged for a Zoom meeting with all the stakeholders on 21<sup>st</sup> 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 need to raise more fund to add on to the £400,000 already secured. As a parish we need to continue with our own fundraising effort and not to be scared off because of the amount it is going to cost to build. I am pleased to let you know that, we have already received donations from individual parishioners totally to nearly £1,500. As we move on, I am sure, more will come. Thank you.

**Applying for more grants:** One application for small grant was submitted last week through the diocesan's fundraising office, and awaiting its result.

**A project site visit meeting:** has been agreed on 6th August with stakeholders and **Allchurches Trust**, a potential co-funder for the project. Paul Playford who is representing the organisation has agreed to visit the site before we submit a formal grant application. This will be our opportunity once again to talk through our plans and to ascertain what level of funding support might be available for us.

If we can secure something from these grants, then that will give us more guarantee of building a better and standard parish centre for our community and ease some of our anxieties.

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 15 Ordinary Time Year B

<b>Sunday</b> 11th July	<b>9:15am</b>	Noel Whelan R.I.P. Mary Srodon R.I.P.	<b>15th Sunday</b> in Ordinary Time Yr. B
	<b>11:15am</b>	Manuvalpillai Fernando and Justeenamma Fernando R.I.P.	
Mon. 12th	<b>9:15am</b>	Baldev & Asher T-Thanksgiving Mervyn Haywood R.I.P.	<b>Public Mass</b>
Wed. 14th	<b>9:15am</b>	Eugeine Swift and deceased family R.I.P.	<b>Public Mass</b>
Thur. 15th	<b>9:15am</b>	Luiza Snagg R.I.P.	<b>School Children</b>
Friday 16th	<b>6:30pm</b>	Isaac Madubuobi R.I.P.	<b>Public Mass</b>
Sat. 17th	<b>9:15am</b>	Barry Leedham R.I.P.	<b>Public Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 18th July	<b>9:15am</b>	Trevor Stronach's Family -Sp. Int Special Intention	<b>16th Sunday</b> in Ordinary Time Yr. B
	<b>11:15am</b>	Consolata Nyambura - Birthday Special Intention	
	<b>1:00pm</b>	Zimbabwe Community Mass	

### Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme: **381.00** Non Gift Aid: **£374.63**

New Parish Hall Donation: **£268.82**

**“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.

**Updates for 200 Club**: Monthly membership is only £2 (Or £24 a year). Remember only adults are registered. Thank you all for supporting this scheme. Next draw is Sunday 27th after Mass. Contact. **Sr. Joan or Tony**.

**Congratulations for your First Holy Communion**. The Yr3 & Yr4 children from **St Elizabeth's RC Primary** received their First Holy Communion last Sunday - during special Mass at 12:30pm. Meanwhile the Yr3 from **The Good Shepherd RC Primary** received their First Holy Communion on Saturday 10th July. Thank you to their parents and to the staff who have worked so hard to help these children.

## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Readings: Amos 7:12-15; Ps. 84; Eph. 1:3-14; Mk. 6:7-13

### Reading Sign of Times.

Many centuries ago, the pope decided that all the Jews had to leave Rome. Naturally, there was an uproar from the Jewish community. So, the pope made a deal. He would have a religious debate with a member of the Jewish community. If the Jews won, they could stay. If the pope won, the Jews had to leave. The Jews realised that they had no choice. Problem was that no one wanted to debate the pope. The only volunteer was a poor, simple, old man named Moishe, who opened the door to the synagogue each Friday night. Not being used to words, Moishe asked for only one addition to the debate – that neither side be allowed to talk. The pope agreed.

The day of the great debate came. Moishe and the pope sat opposite each other. The pope raised his hand and showed *three fingers*. Moishe looked back at him and raised *one finger*. The pope *waved his hand in a circle around his head*. Moishe *pointed to the ground where he sat*. The pope pulled out *a wafer and a glass of wine*. Moishe pulled out *an apple*. The pope stood up and said, *“I give up. This man is too good. The Jews can stay.”* Later, the pope explained what happened: **“I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity**. He responded by holding up one finger to remind me that *we believe in the same one God*. Then I waved my hand around my head to *show that God was all around us*. He responded by pointing to the ground, *showing that God was present right here*. I pulled out the bread and wine, to show that *God has given us the eucharist*. He pulled out an apple to remind me of *original sin*. He had an answer for everything. What could **I do?**” Meanwhile, Moishe explained to the Jewish scholars how he won the unwinnable debate. *“Well,”* said Moishe, **“First** the pope said that the Jews had three days to get out of Rome. I told him that not *one of us was leaving*. Then he told me that this whole city would be cleared of Jews. I let him know that *we were staying right here*.” *“And then what clenched the debate?”* asked the rabbi. *“I don’t know”*, said Moishe. *“It was strange. He took out his lunch, and I took out mine!”*

Life always depends on how we read the signs! In today’s gospel Jesus tells the twelve apostles that they should embody three signs: **simplicity of lifestyle, dependence on others, and hospitality**. These instructions are such a contrast to what most of us value today, where it is often the rich and powerful who are thought to be the best leaders. For Jesus, however, the one truly sent in his name is the one who knows his/her worth comes from who he/she is, not what he/she has. It does not matter whether we’re rich or poor. It’s the way we use our money for others that reveals whether our wealth possesses us or not. For Jesus, being *“a rock and an island”* was not a sign of strength but one of fear and despair. A strong Christian is the one who rejoices in our dependence on each other and is always grateful for the interconnectedness of life. For Jesus, making room for others, especially those in legitimate need and even when it makes a large claim on us, is a pre-eminent sign of his kingdom. The Christian life is about reading the signs of the times. May our eucharistic signs of his presence amongst us, the bread and wine, change us today, to match it with the best in being simple in lifestyle, happily dependent, and extravagantly hospitable with our time, talent, and energy for the sake of the kingdom of God.