#### **Dates for your Dairy**

Second Collection this Weekend.

Sunday 10th June: For St. Elizabeth's New Parish Hall Building Fund.

A contactless machine: available at the back of the church. Use it anytime for your donations if you have Debit/Credit card or other contactless app.

**16th June Bake Sale:** There will be a bake sale organized by Women of Faith for New Parish Hall.

**Deanery Newsletter:** This is now available and run alongside the Deanery website. This is meant to inform people about future plans and allow people to offer comments and feedback. Please make use of it.

Congratulations: To Robert & Tatianna who were married here on Saturday 8th June. May God bless them in their union.

**The Year of Prayer:** In preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025 - 'Pilgrims of Hope', **2024** has been designated as a **Year of Prayer** by Pope Francis. There is a particular focus on the '*Our Father,'* presenting us with a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer

The 200 Club: We are still recruiting New members, please join. Monthly membership is only £2.(Or £24 a year). Remember all adults are welcome. Next draw on Sunday 30th June after 9:15am Mass. Thank you.

#### **Deanery Events.**

**22nd June:** 60th Anniversary celebration of St John Fisher's Parish.

All are welcome.

Saturday 29th June: 112th Anniversary of St Elizabeth's Parish (Birthday). 29th June: 9:30am – 4pm - Altar Servers retreat at Our Lady of the Angels

Parish, Nuneaton.

2nd July: Centenary celebration of All Souls Parish.

All are welcome.

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2024.

Sunday 16th June: For Day for Life.

Sunday 23rd June: For St. Elizabeth's New Parish Hall Building Fund.

Sunday 30th June For The Peter's Pence

Sunday 5th July: For St. Elizabeth's New Parish Hall Building Fund.

Sunday 14 July: For The Apostleship of the Sea.

**Pray for the Sick:** Caroline Dickinson, Mary Kean, Rohith De Silva, Joe Peters, Tony Ashby, Susan Nahar and Julian: **Get Well Soon.** 

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** Peggy Miller and Elsie Kathleen Ashby **Rest in Eternal Peace.** 

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My Donation to the Parish Online follow link here: https://donate.mydona.com/st-elizabeth-church-coventry. Or https://stelizabethcoventry.org.uk/giving/Livestreaming:https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry









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St. Mary's

St. Elizabeth's

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Parish Schools (Heads)
St. Elizabeth's

Mr Michael Doyle

Good Shepherd

Mr Andy McConville

# Parish Church Co-ordinators:

Parish Office
Sr Joan Wafula
Parish Maintenance
Gerald Ani
First Communion.

Mrs S Moran

Health & Safety, RCIA &

Sacristan Miss Ann Harkin

**Church Flowers** 

Mr Richard Swift
Safeguarding Officer &
Church Music/Liturgy

Miss Laura Srodon (Solicitor)

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Annette Ndikoum and Bancy Waithera

Chair of Parish Finance and Gift Aid Scheme Mr Stan Mileswki

**Altar Servers** 

Sr Joan and Alaysa Embate

Justice and Peace CAFOD/SVP Maria Paseka Red Boxes Mr Bob Ayliffe Big Thank you: To Fr Sunday who made an appeal last Sunday on behalf of the apostles of Jesus Missionaries in support of the training of priests in their Missionary Orde. We were able to raise £200 towards the appeal. Thank you very much. Also the Box at the back of the church labelled "AJ Priests' training" which has been there since December 2023, raised over £400. Please keep using the BOX as you continue with your support for the training of the priests. Thank You. The next & 2nd appeal will be at the end of November 2024.

Lifting the 50% Cap on Catholic School Admissions.

We (CBCEW) welcome the decision by the Education Secretary to lift the 50% cap on admissions for new free schools in England, and to allow Catholic special academies. The decision is subject to a consultation which **closes on 20 June**. It is important that there is a strong response to the consultation. For the past 14 years the Church has been making the case to remove the 50% cap on school admissions which has had a disproportionate effect on Catholic school provision. The Government has at last announced the lifting of the Cap. subject to the outcome of a consultation. The proposals will also allow the Catholic Church to establish special academies alongside our existing special schools. It is essential that there is a strong response to this consultation, so that the Church can continue to play its part in the provision of schools in all parts of the education sector on an equal footing with other groups. We therefore encourage as many people as possible to respond positively to this consultation. Catholic schools are more diverse than any other type of school. Even with higher levels of pupil deprivation, they achieve better results. Removal of the cap will help to sustain that diversity in the longer term. We encourage Catholics in England and Wales to respond positively to this consultation. Respond to the faith-based admissions cap consultation.

#### Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 10th in Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 9th	9:15am	Rosemary - Sp. Intention	10th Sunday
June	11:15am	Joan - Thanksgiving	Ordinary Time
Mon 10th	9:15am	Mary Beeslley Sp. Intention Rosemary - Sp. Intention	
Tues 11th	9:15am	Adora Gomes - 1st Birthday	
Wed 12th	No Mass	No Mass	No Mass
Thurs 13th	No Mass	No Mass	No Mass
Friday 14th	6:30pm	Patricia Loneham R.I.P	
Sat 15th	<b>8:00am</b> 9:15am	Holy Hour of Adoration Dannie O'Donnell R.I.P	
Sunday 16th	9:15am	Joan - Sp. Intention	11th Sunday Ordinary
June	11:15am	Micky Alton R.I.P	Time

## **Weekly Offertory and online Donations!**

Gift Aid Scheme: £389. Non Gift Aid: £166.

Apostles of Jesus Appeal £552.18. Contactless Dona Machine £179 May Standing Order total £118.

Monday & Tuesday: There 'Will Be' Mass on Monday and Tuesday at 9:15am. Wednesday & Thursday: There will be 'NO Mass' on these two days this week. Priests are attending Ongoing Formation Training.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Thank you to all our extraordinary ministers of the eucharist for the renewal of their commitment to serve our parish community for another year. Welcome to those who have joined newly to this important ministry. During Covid-19 till last Sunday, **3** eucharistic ministers used to help priest in distributing Holy Communion, but from now on only **2** instead of 3, will be needed to serve at each Mass on Sunday.

Parish Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Laura Srodon. She can be contacted at: <a href="mailto:sq.stelizabeth.covty@rcaob.org.uk">sq.stelizabeth.covty@rcaob.org.uk</a> or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ <a href="mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk">safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</a> if you have any concern.



### 10th Sunday Year B

Readings: Gen.3:9-15; Ps.129; 2Cor.4: 13-5:1; Mk 3:20-35

#### **Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Nearly all peoples in the ancient world thought that the heart rather than the brain controlled the body. They concluded this because they could feel their hearts move, and they saw that when it stopped, death followed. In the prescientific world the heart was given mystical properties.

The various descriptions of heart come down to us today. We still talk about people who have 'big hearts,' are 'warm hearted,' 'heartless,' or have 'good hearts.' We can even have 'full hearts,' or be 'broken-hearted.' These metaphorical uses of the word point to a presence or an absence of love. And the best example of that comes on St Valentine's Day, the feast day of an obscure Roman martyr that took over the day dedicated to the Roman pagan festival of love. To this day, February 14 is covered in hearts. Heart-shaped boxes of chocolate, heart-shaped sugar candies with emblazoned sayings like 'be mine', even heart-shaped pizzas are on special at enterprising pizzerias! The heart is the poetic seat of emotion and love. How different, though how much more accurate, it would be to say the seat of emotion and love is the brain! But no, it's the heart that we associate with love. Today we know that the brain is the organ that defines life and death, love and hate, and guides our choices, but the heart remains a strong as ever as a symbol of love. The problem with the secular world is that it often equates love with romance and sex. In the Christian tradition we are all for faithful, loving, and happy relationships and we encourage anything, including romance, that might keep them fresh and committed - but love is much more than romance.

On Friday last week, the Church celebrated the feast of the Most Sacred Heart, the divine love that Jesus himself has for humanity. It's not simply that God loves humanity, but this feast tells us to take special note of the love of Jesus for humanity. Quite appropriately, the gospel reading we have for this feast is a graphic display of that love. The crucified, dead body of Jesus on the cross is pierced. Blood and water flow out of his side, symbolically representing (among other things) Jesus's death (blood) and the handing on of the spirit (water). But later theologians also see in this symbolism the humanity and divinity of Jesus, or the sacraments of baptism and Eucharist. As the images are symbolic and open to interpretation. At the very least, we see in the death of Jesus the great love he had for humanity. God's love became incarnate in the person of Jesus. And what was the human response? We killed it. Even so, that is not the last word. We know there will be a resurrection. God's love knows no bounds. God's love is not conquered even by death.

The feast of the Sacred Heart uses an ancient metaphor to remind us of a God who is incomprehensibly loving and jealously regards us as his own. There is nothing we can do to earn this gift, and even if we reject him, God will never stop loving us.

The challenge of this feast of Sacred Heart is that for those of us who have accepted his love, we are called to be as generous, faithful, and sacrificial in our loving as Christ is toward us.

In that spirit may we pray that God will 'create in us a clean heart and put a steadfast spirit within us,' Amen.