

## Dates for your Dairy

### Second Collection this Weekend.

**Sunday 29th September:** Second Collections for the New Parish Hall Building Fund.  
**A contactless machine:** available at the back of the church for offertory & donations.

### **CAFOD Family**

**2nd Fast Appeal:** The CAFOD Fast Day is this Friday 4th Oct. CAFOD'S Fast Day second collection is next Sunday. Take CAFOD envelopes today and bring back with your donation next Sunday. You can also donate online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk). If you have any question please speak to Maria. Thank you.

**Training on the New Edition of the Lectionary this Sunday @ 3pm:** This will be at St Mary and Benedict Parish, Reglan Street, Coventry, by Rev. Fr Allen Morris, former Secretary to the Bishops' Conference. This is special training for all Church's Readers to learn about the new translation of the Lectionary.

**Tuesday 1st October:** Tea and Chat From 2-4pm at St. Elizabeth's Church. Please all are welcome.



**Saturday 5th October Altar Servers Mass at 12:00pm:** Our parish altar servers will be joining other servers from the in the Archdiocese of Birmingham in their pilgrimage to St. Chad's Cathedral. The Archbishop will celebrate the Mass of thanksgiving for them. Coach leaves St Elizabeth's at 9:30am.

**Open Meetings for the Parish Missions / Clusters:** with a chance to meet our new area Bishop Richard Walker. The four meetings will be as follows:  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm – Our Lady of the Assumption (Coventry West Mission)  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm – Sacred Heart (Coventry East Mission)  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm – Our Lady's, Nuneaton (Nuneaton Mission)  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm – Christ the King (Coventry North Mission).  
Leaflets concerning the forward planning are available now please take and read because it contains information which will be the basis of the discussion in these meetings. You are all welcome especially those of you who are already involved in parish groups. School reps. from parish schools are invited esp. Headteachers.

**Blessing of the Graves:** over the Sundays in October. Canley on 6<sup>th</sup> October, St Paul's, 13<sup>th</sup> October, London Road, 20<sup>th</sup> October and Lenton's Lane, Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October. All at 3.00pm. Priests & Deacons will be there to bless the graves.

**Knights of St Columba membership appeal:** This will take place on Sunday 6th October at all masses. You are welcome to join this fantastic organisation.

### The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2024.

**Sunday 13th October:** For the New Parish Hall Building Fund.

**Sunday 20th October:** APF World Mission Sunday. For Pope Francis world charity.

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

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** Thomas Reilly. **Rest in Eternal Peace.**

**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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**https://stelizabethcoventry.org.uk** Webcam [https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-](https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry)

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<https://donatemydona.com/st-elizabeth-church-coventry>.

### **Update - New Parish Hall!**

The parish Finance and New Hall committees have agreed to move forward with integra as our constructor and to build for us the new hall according to the revised design (see a copy of design on the notice board). The design includes among other things - emergency exit door in hall has changed to 2035x2100mm fully glazed double door. HL window on hall gable wall has changed to 1800x2100mm double fixed window. HL window to the left of the main entrance doors has changed to a 1800x2100mm double fixed window. Single external door in lobby area removed. Cleaners' cupboard relocated and put together with store, Urinary created opposite store, three WC's same place plus disable WC. Breakout room next to welcome area—this room will be plastering skim finish. 900x1800mm single TOV window added to offer natural light and ventilation. Internal door to store changed to a single door. Addition of a wall mounted air con unit to the newly formed breakout room. A Brick wall or something similar will be constructed in a welcome area to reflect the names of those who sponsored a brick. There will be final detailed drawings for electric sockets etc., but for now this is just about agreeing the layout. Please continue to pray that this project is a success.

### **Pabbo Children's Home Water Project.**

Thank you for all the support to this Water Project for the children in need of lifesaving water at their St Josephine Bakhita Children's Home. Last Sunday Janet and Kevin organised a Fundraising concert in their village and raised £650. Another £1000 was also donated by a friend of St Elizabeth's and other donations too from parishioners. Total of £2950 has been raised. Quotations for a Borehole in US Dollars is \$6,262, and for Solar water pump in US Dollars is \$12,959. So perhaps, we shall do the water first and work for Solar pump later.

### **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)

#### **Women of Faith Chair**

**& Secretary.**

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

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 26th in Ordinary Time Year B

**Sunday 29th September** 9:15am Ashby Family Past and Present  
Oscar Owen R.I.P.

**26th Sunday Ordinary Time**

11:15am Immaculate & Moses-Sp.Int.  
Beatrice Namirembe –Sp.Int.  
Consolata Mugure R.I.P.

Mon 30th 9:15am Mick Breslin R.I.P.

St. Jerome

**Wed 2nd October** 9:15am Giuseppe Darrigo R.I.P.

The Holy Guardian Angels

12:30pm **Joseph Henry Jephcott R.I.P** **Funeral Service**

**Thu. 3rd** 9:15am Fr. Moses-Silver Jubilee

Fri. 4th 6:30pm Anthony Morrissey R.I.P.

St. Francis of Assisi

**Sat 5th** 8:00am **Holy Hour of Adoration**  
9:15am Anthony McKiernan R.I.P.

**Sunday 6th October** 9:15am Pauline Fernandes & Luiza Snuggs  
R.I.P.

**27th Sunday Ordinary Time**

11:15am Fr. Moses-Thanksgiving  
Margaret Jennings R.I.P.

### Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£374** Non Gift Aid: **£236** and  
Father Hudson: **£99.26**. Online Dona Offerings : **£80**  
August Standing Order Total **£124**. Thank You.

**Holy Hour of Prayer and Adoration:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Every Saturday from 8:00am. Followed by Mass. Priest available for confessions.

**Prayer of Adoration and Blessing:** Every First Thursday of each Month in Church from 7-8pm. Every one is welcome.

**Pope's prayer Intention for October:** For a shared mission. We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

**Church Cleaning Teams:** Church cleaning will be done as it was before Covid. There will be 4 (groups) of cleaners. This week Cleaners.  
**Group D. Punjabi Rosary Group.**

**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: [sg.stelizabeth.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stelizabeth.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

## 26th Sunday Year B

**Readings: Numbers 11:25-29; Ps. 18; James 5:1-6; Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48**

### Let the Flower Flourish.

Mahatma Gandhi. Where is he now, in heaven, or in hell, or at least in purgatory? He was not a Catholic and Catholics until a few decades ago believed that outside the Catholic Church there is everything except salvation. He was not a Christian: from the day he was refused admission to worship in a Christian church in South Africa, just because he was coloured, he turned his back on Christianity. But even as a Hindu he believed in the unique power of Christ's teachings so much that he said to Winston Churchill that the only way for world peace is that all nations abide by the Beatitudes.

He even practiced one of the hardest sayings of Christ: "Love your enemies." Can this man, just because he did not belong to the visible group of Christ's followers, be separated from God? I hope not.

It is not patriotism, but it is based on the reply Jesus gave to his disciples who complained that some people not belonging to their circle were working miracles. Jesus asked them not to stop the good others were doing, for "anyone who is not against us is with us" (Mk 9:40). What did he mean? He meant that anyone who is attached to God and struggles against the self-centred forces of evil is on the side of Christ, that one does not necessarily have to be part of the visible group following Christ in order to partake of the power of God and that it is wrong to assume that only those who have consciously accepted Christ as personal saviour will be saved and will be able to do the works of God. Thus, Jesus broke through the exclusiveness of all those small groups of believers who think that they have exclusive rights, special access to the full truth. How often we get so wrapped up in our own sect/church that it leads to the building of barriers rather than bridges between us and the people of other religions and denominations! We sometimes become jealous of the achievements of other religious groups, like the disciples of Moses. When they complained out of jealousy that Eldad and Medad who were not of their circle were also prophesying, Moses rebuked them for their envy which at times can be as cruel as grave, asked them to let the flower flourish where it will, and only wished, ".... that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all! (Numb 11:29). Hence, Catholics, Protestants and non-Christians are not against one another but for each other.

In saying this doesn't mean that the Catholic Church must tolerate everything, for if we do, we will teach nothing. The Church is not proposing nor suggesting that God's grace is distributed denominationally; the Catholic Church still believes that Jesus is the unique reflection of God, the fullness of divine revelation, and the church he founded is the Catholic Church. But at the same time, she recognises that all religions share in divine truth and in the works of God. In order to belong to Christ, what really matters is to get rid of anything which leads us away from God and to give "a cup of water to the needy" (Mk 9:41), which is to love God and our neighbour, we will soon proceed to love our own sect or Church more than Christianity, and then, of course, we will end up as slaves to selfishness by which we will become our own executioners.

