

## Dates for your Dairy

### Second Collection this Weekend.

**Sunday 6th October: CAFOD Family Fast Appeal:** The CAFOD Fast Day is this Friday 4th Oct. CAFOD'S Fast Day second collection is this Sunday. Please use CAFOD envelopes available at back of the Church. You can also donate online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk) . If you have any question please speak to Maria. Thank you.

**A contactless machine:** available at the back of the church for offertory & donations.

**Knights of St Columba membership appeal:** This will take place this Sunday at all masses. You are most welcome to join.

**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.

**Prisoners' Sunday, 13 Oct:** Next Sunday the Church marks Prisoners' Sunday, the National Day of Prayer, action, and generosity for those in prison, their loved ones, and those who work with them. Across England and Wales, parishes are invited to join in praying for those who have taken the wrong path and ended up in prison.

**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.

**Catholic Chaplaincies at UK Universities:** Parish Priests who know of their young people beginning university this year could well pass on the link below giving details of the Catholic Chaplaincies at universities in England, Scotland and Wales. Many of the young people will find chaplaincy communities both stimulating, companionable and enjoyable as many organise social and formation events in addition to liturgical and spiritual celebrations. For more information go to Catholic Chaplaincies at [www.catholicSATUniversity.org.uk](http://www.catholicSATUniversity.org.uk).

### The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2024.

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

**Sunday 20th October:** APF World Mission Sunday.

**Sunday 27th October:** For the New Parish Hall Building Fund.

**Sunday 3rd November:** Johnson Association (For Retired and infirm Diocesan Clergy).

**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:** Rev. Laurence Daly, Teresa Christina Doyle, Louiza J. Snuggs, Michael Early, Nazar Masih and Denis Breslin. **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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### **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

**St Stephen's Guild Mass of Thanksgiving:** Our parish Altar servers and some of the parents went to St. Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> on pilgrimage with hundreds of other altar server from the Archdiocese of Birmingham. The Mass of thanksgiving for their ministry was celebrated by Archbishop Bernard, who was very pleased to see so many and thanked them for their service and support the parish community. Our Altar servers were very smart in their Altar vestments and behaved reverently - perhaps they were the smartest servers in the cathedral. Congratulations to them all. Thank you to Allysa and Sr. Joan for their excellent leadership. We shall soon apply for the Silver Medals of the Guild of St Stephen for some of our Altar servers who have completed 10 years of service.

### **World Mission Sunday, 20 Oct: 'Go and invite**

**everyone to the banquet!'** World Mission Sunday this year is on October 20th. On this day the whole Church unites in prayer for its missionary activity, and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world experiencing situations of poverty and conflict. This year's theme chosen by Pope Francis reminds us that the heart of our mission is to invite everyone to experience the joy of Christ's resurrection, a gift meant to be shared with the whole world. Everyone deserves to know that they are welcome at God's table – to experience God's love, grace and forgiveness. For more information about World Mission Sunday, please visit [missio.org.uk/wms](http://missio.org.uk/wms).

**Update New Parish Hall.** project is moving a pace, and we have a programme targeting completion by 20th December. Integra builders are fully engaged and are nearly at a stage of layout freeze. They will soon move to the detailed design of electric socket locations, lighting layouts etc. They have a target of Mid-October to start here on site with foundations and drainage, although I think they are a couple of days behind programme at this stage, but what is important is that they continue to move forward with the design. We are required to choose this week the colours for external finishing and kind of floor. Colour card sample at the back of the church. Please check and let me know if you have any preference.

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

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| <b>Sunday<br/>6th<br/>October</b> | <b>9:15am</b> Pauline Fernandes & Luiza Snuggs<br>Special Intention                        | <b>27th Sunday<br/>Ordinary<br/>Time</b> |
| <b>11:15am</b>                    | Fr. Moses - 25th anniv. Thanks<br>Margaret Jennings R.I.P.<br>Tracy & Gerald Miller R.I.P. |  |
| Mon 7th                           | 9:15am Dannie O'Donnell  | <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>            |
| Wed 9th<br>October                | 9:15am Esme -Thanksgiving<br>Mary Srodon R.I.P.  | <i>Blessed John Henry<br/>Newman</i>     |
| Thu. 10th                         | 9:15am Peggy James R.I.P.  |  |
| Fri. 11th                         | 6:30pm Cath Walker R.I.P.  |  |
| Sat 12th                          | <b>8:00am Holy Hour of Adoration</b><br>9:15am Margaret McKiernan R.I.P.                   |  |
| <b>Sunday<br/>13th</b>            | <b>9:15am</b> Mary Ashby R.I.P.<br>Special Intention                                       | <b>28th Sunday<br/>Ordinary Time</b>     |
|                                   | <b>11:15am</b> Paul - Birthday Thanksgiving  |  |

### Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£446** Non Gift Aid: **£373** and  
NPH: **£532.18**. Online Dona Offerings : **£51**  
September Standing Order Total **£335**. 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 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 Groups:** Church cleaning Teams of 4 cleaners.  
Group A Sr Joan & Alter Servers/Parents. Group B Women of Faith, Teresa & Philippa. Group C Violeta. Group D Punjabi Rosary Group.

**This week Cleaners. Group A. Sr Joan, Altar Servers & Parents.**

**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.

## 27th Sunday Year B

**Readings: Genesis 2:18-24; Ps. 127; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16**

### 'Two - become one!'

- one in heart, one in hope, one in love, one in God. The inseparability of wife and husband in marriage is the ideal that the Roman Catholic Church has sought to maintain over the centuries. That fact is, however, that divorce is everywhere on the increase and among Catholics almost as much as in other denominations. Happy and successful marriages are built on the ideal of fidelity, which means that people must be true to themselves, to friends, to their chosen spouses, and above all to God. Without fidelity to God there is serious danger of infidelity in marriage. And the contrary is also true: when people are faithful to God, to themselves, and to friends, the problem of fidelity in marriage greatly diminishes.

Marriage is a true vocation, which means that God calls a woman and man to become holy in and through a loyal living out of every aspect of marriage. Most people are married or will be married in the near future. (We need to be reminded that the single life as a layperson is also a true, God-given vocation. So, too the life of widows and widowers). Most marriages are reasonably happy, though none are free from problem or from suffering, worry, and pain. In marriage as in all vocations, growing and maturing is the deepest need. And both spouses have to work at the maturing. They have to learn the true meaning of love: that it is living for the beloved rather than for the self. Both have to learn the needs of the other partner, both physical and psychological (the needs of children, too). Every person needs to be loved and cherished, to be told that she or he is loved, and it can't be too often. In a word, spouses have to communicate. One might speculate that most failures in marriage can be traced to failure to communicate as mature, adult, equal human persons. Marriage is for mature persons who are capable of taking on responsibility for the other as well as for themselves. How to create a happy marriage? **Ann Landers** gave some excellent suggestions for creating a happy married life. She says: **1.** Never both be angry at once. **2.** Never yell at each other unless the home is on fire. **3.** Never meet without an affectionate welcome. **4.** Yield to the wishes of the other as an exercise of self-discipline if you can't think of a better reason. **5.** If you have any criticism, make it lovingly. **6.** Neglect the whole world rather than each other. **7.** Never bring up a mistake of the past. **8.** Don't be afraid to give compliments to the other. **9.** Never go to bed mad. **10.** When you've made a mistake, talk it out and ask for forgiveness. **11.** Remember, it takes two to make an argument. The one who is wrong is the one who will be doing the most talking.

A word to those not yet married. We cannot insist too much on the need for thorough preparation. It has been said that people spend many years preparing for a profession, but when it comes to preparing for the most important profession of all, the vocation of marriage, they think they can do it in a few weeks or months. Essential to the preparation is finding out what the future spouse thinks about the meaning of life, about religion, about the life to come. What are his/her priorities and values? Are the future spouses capable of heroic love? Can they talk together and argue without raising their voices? What values do each of them have? What is really important to each? Happy, successful marriages do not happen all at once. Like genuine love they have to be made, created, build, often at the cost of great effort and sacrifice. Creating this love is a mutual growth process that must continue all through life.

A final warning: marriage break down when the spouse lose sight of one another and begin to live only for themselves, when they refuse to remember the almost divine dignity of the human person and use or treat one another only as objects or as personal property. May Jesus, who worked his first miracle at a wedding feast, help all married couples by his word, his example, and his sacrificial love to grow and mature together into the fullness of love. *Because of that oneness, Jesus says, "Let no man separate what God has joined."*