

Dates for your Dairy

Second Collection this Weekend.

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

Sunday 20th October: Second collections today is for the **APF - World Mission Sunday.**

World Mission Sunday: 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet!' World Mission Sunday is this week. 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.

Blessing of the Graves: London Road, 20th October and Lenton's Lane, Sunday 27th October. All at 3.00pm. Priests & Deacons will be present to bless.

Families Harvest Day November 24th, 2024: We are excited to invite all the parishioners to our youth and family Harvest Thanksgiving Mass at 9:15am & 11:15am! This special event is a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together in gratitude for the blessings we have received from God throughout the year. Please join us as we celebrate with joyful hearts, sharing prayers, songs, and reflections on the importance of family and community. It's a perfect occasion to strengthen our bonds and show appreciation for one another. We encourage all families to participate and invite your friends and loved ones. Let's make this day a memorable gathering filled with love and gratitude. All the proceeds from the thanksgiving would be thankfully received and goes towards the construction of our New Hall. Event planning committee.

Christmas Bazaar Appeal: As we approach the Christmas, we are excited to announce our upcoming Christmas Bazaar with Good Shepherd Catholic Primary school on Tuesday 10th December starting 1pm at Good Shepherd school premises. This event aims to bring our community together and raise funds for the parish too. We are reaching out to request your support in the form of gift items that can be donated for our bazaar. These items will not only enhance the festive spirit but also help us raise much-needed funds for our new hall. Donations includes - *Bottle Stall, handmade crafts, gift baskets, handbags, toys, and many more.* Your generous contribution will make a significant impact and help us achieve our fundraising goals. Thank you for considering our request. We truly appreciate your support.

Christmas Carol Event/ Raffle draw: To take place on 14th December @ 6pm St Elizabeth's Church. We are thrilled to announce our annual Christmas Carol event! Join us for an evening filled with festive cheer, music, and community spirit. Everyone is welcome, so feel free to bring your family and friends! If you would like to participate in the carolling or help with organizing, please contact Theresa or Yoyo. Let's make this year Christmas memorable together!

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2024.

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

Sunday 10th November: For the New Parish Hall Building Fund.

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: Dominic Skidmore **Rest in Eternal Peace.**

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

My Donation to the Parish Online follow link here: <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 Wafala

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

Update New Parish Hall: Project is moving on well we a target of completion by 20th December. Integra builders are fully engaged and are nearly at a stage of layout freeze. They are now doing the design of electric socket locations, lighting layouts, water etc. From Monday 21st October they will be on site to start with the foundations and drainage. The design is now completed with our choice of colours for external finishing and kind of floor. The Gubbay Foundation our main funder has released an amount of £250K to start the work.

Open Meetings for the Parish Missions: Thank you very much for those who were able to attend the meeting at Christ the King for the (*Coventry North Mission - Cluster Parishes: St Elizabeth's, St Osburg's, Holy Family, and Christ the King*). The next step is now for us to form our **Parish Pastoral council** - a team comprises of 10-12 dedicated and committed parishioners who will be committed to the Vision and Mission of the Parish for the next 3 to 4 years. Special prayer card will be composed for our parish soon to aid us in this processes of formation. This prayer will be said during Mass. Meeting is next Friday 25th Oct at 7.00pm for the preparatory committee and for anyone interested of supporting the parish.

The New Lectionary: There are 4 copies of this Lectionary cost **£698** plus the **Book of the Gospels** which is **£275** - totalling to **£973** First edition includes Sunday & Feasts. Second- Weekday, Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter & Proper of Saints Vol one. Third - Weekday, Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter & Proper of Saints Vol two. Fourth - Ritual Masses Sacraments - Various intentions, and Masses for the Dead, and finally The Gospels. Please be the first to sponsor, buy one or two for the parish today. Or simply make a donation to buy.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 29th in Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 20th October 9:15am Jasmine-Birthday
Special Intention
11:15am Jean-75th Birthday
Annette Ndikoum Birthday - and
Family Thanksgiving.

**29th Sunday
Ordinary
Time**

Mon 21st 9:15am Barry Leedham R.I.P.
Theresa Osinjolu-Birthday
Wed 23rd 9:15am Seamus Boylan R.I.P.
Thu. 24th 9:15am Dragogi & Lena families R.I.P.
Kolthi Family R.I.P.
Fri. 25th 6:30pm Ezra and Ryan families -
Thanksgiving Mass
Sat 26th 8:00am **Holy Hour of Adoration**
9:15am Paula Kennedy R.I.P.

Sunday 27th October 9:15am Special Intention
Vasquito Fernandes R.I.P.
Sara & Antonio Caldeira R.I.P.
11:15am John & Bridget Omsby Anv. R.I.P.

**30th Sunday
Ordinary
Time**

Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£353** Non Gift Aid: **£255** NPH: **£163.49**

Online Dona Offerings: **£107**

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.

Youth Mass: Every Last Sunday of each Month. On 26th October at 11:15am Mass

Pope's prayer Intention October: For 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, Teresia & Philippa.
Group C Violeta. Group D Punjabi Rosary Group.

Church's Cleaners this Week: Group C. Violeta

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 or Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

29th Sunday Year B

Readings: Isaiah 53:10-11; Ps. 32; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45

My brothers and sisters,

This Wednesday, 16 October 2024, a bill will be introduced to Parliament proposing a change in the law to permit assisted suicide. The debate will continue for a number of months, in society and in Parliament, before a definitive vote is held there. This puts in the spotlight crucial questions about the dignity of human life and the care and protection afforded by our society to every human being. As this debate unfolds there are three points I would like to put before you. I hope that you will take part in the debate, whenever and wherever you can, and that you will write to your Member of Parliament. **1. Be careful what you wish for.** No doubt the bill put before Parliament will be carefully framed, providing clear and very limited circumstances in which it would become lawful to assist, directly and deliberately, in the ending of a person's life. But please remember, the evidence from every single country in which such a law has been passed is clear: that the circumstances in which the taking of a life is permitted are widened and widened, making assisted suicide and medical killing, or euthanasia, more and more available and accepted. In this country, assurances will be given that the proposed safeguards are firm and reliable. Rarely has this been the case. This proposed change in the law may be a source of relief to some. But it will bring great fear and trepidation to many, especially those who have vulnerabilities and those living with disabilities. What is now proposed will not be the end of the story. It is a story better not begun. **2. a right to die can become a duty to die.** A law which prohibits an action is a clear deterrent. A law which permits an action changes attitudes: that which is permitted is often and easily encouraged. Once assisted suicide is approved by the law, a key protection of human life falls away. Pressure mounts on those who are nearing death, from others or even from themselves, to end their life in order to take away a perceived burden of care from their family, for the avoidance of pain, or for the sake of an inheritance. I know that, for many people, there is profound fear at the prospect of prolonged suffering and loss of dignity. Yet such suffering itself can be eased. Part of this debate, then, must be the need and duty to enhance palliative care and hospice provision, so that there can genuinely be, for all of us, the prospect of living our last days in the company of loved ones and caring medical professionals. This is truly dying with dignity. Indeed, the radical change in the law now being proposed risks bringing about for all medical professionals a slow change from a duty to care to a duty to kill. **3. being forgetful of God belittles our humanity.** The questions raised by this bill go to the very heart of how we understand ourselves, our lives, our humanity. For people of faith in God - the vast majority of the population of the world - the first truth is that life, ultimately, is a gift of the Creator. Our life flows from God and will find its fulfilment in God. 'The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.' (Job 1:21) To ignore or deny this truth is to separate our humanity from its origins and purpose. We are left, floating free, detached, in a sphere that lacks firm anchors or destiny, thinking that we can create these for ourselves according to the mood of the age, or even of the day. The clearest expression of this faith is that every human being is made in the image and likeness of God. That is the source of our dignity, and it is unique to the human person. The suffering of a human being is not meaningless. It does not destroy that dignity. It is an intrinsic part of our human journey, a journey embraced by the Eternal Word of God, Christ Jesus himself. He brings our humanity to its full glory precisely through the gateway of suffering and death. We know, only too well, that suffering can bring people to a most dreadful state of mind, even driving them to take their own lives, in circumstances most often when they lack true freedom of mind and will, and so bear no culpability. But this proposed legislation is quite different. It seeks to give a person of sound will and mind the right to act in a way that is clearly contrary to a fundamental truth: our life is not our own possession, to dispose of as we feel fit. This is not a freedom of choice we can take for ourselves without undermining the foundations of trust and shared dignity on which a stable society rests. **As this debate unfolds**, then, **I ask you** to play your part in it. Write to your MP. Have discussions with family, friends and colleagues. And pray. Please remember be careful what you wish for; the right to die can become a duty to die; being forgetful of God belittles our humanity. **Cardinal Vincent Nichols.**