Dates for your Diary

Second Collection this Weekend.

Sunday 18th May: For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping. **Contactless machine:** available at the back of the church for your offerings.

The Parish Pastoral Council Committees Meeting Friday 23rd @ 7pm Please if you have registered to be a member of one of the groups below.

- 1. **Pastoral and Liturgical Committee:** Working closely with the Parish Priest on the liturgical and pastoral matters of the parish etc.
- 2. **Development/Social/Fundraising Committee:** to coordinate all events, including Multicultural Day, Parish Fairs/Raffles, New Hall Management, Coffee/Tea after mass etc.
- 3. **Maintenance Committee:** To coordinate Church's maintenance, Gardens, Church cleaning, Church Flowers and Decorations etc.

You are invited for a meeting on Friday 23rd at 7.00pm starting with Mass at 6:30pm.

Parish Finance and PPC leaders meeting: On Saturday 24th at 4pm.

New Priests assigned to our Parishes: Two Missionary priests of the Apostles of Jesus will arrive in the archdiocese of Birmingham to start their missionary work. Both priests will be in Coventry Nuneaton deanery. One will work with Fr Jimmy at Our Lady of Angels' parish and other with Fr Moses at St. Elizabeth's Parish (Residence at St Osburg's). Both will be assistant Parish priests. We would like to thank you for your determination to support the training of a missionary priest at the Apostles of Jesus, which, as you can see is bearing fruit to benefit the church. Please continue to support training of priests by dropping any change in box at the back of the Church marked as Apostles of Jesus. The new priests' names are Fr. Pius Mmanda Junior AJ, and Fr. Robert Mugabe AJ. They will be arriving soon.

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2025 Diary.

Sunday 18th May: For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping

Sunday 25th May: For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping

Sunday 1st. June: For Catholic Communications Funds.

Sunday 8th June: For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping.

Sunday 15th. June: For Day for Life Charity collections.

Sunday 29th. June: For Peter Pence - Mission

The Sacraments School/Parish 2025 Diary.

First Holy Communion: St Elizabeth's Sunday 22nd June 2025 @11:15am

Pray for the Sick: Mary Kean, Rohith De Silva, Joe Peters, Tony Ashby, Susan Nahar, Richard Fernandes, Gerald Ani & Rosy Prudent. **Get Well Soon.**

Death Anniversaries this Week: . 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/









Apostles of Jesus Serves:

St. Osburg's

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

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

Chairs & Tables for New Hall: The Fundraising is ongoing, £2600 already received few weeks ago. Another £1300 received, plus more individual donors and £150 from the Tea & Chat group of the parish. We are in the process of ordering the chairs and Tables. Obviously more donations welcome anytime. Thank you very much to everyone.

Landscaping New Hall area: Six quotes received for: £43,000, £37,000, £32,000, £20,000
All the above quotes for Block Paving.
The £34,000, £28,000 for Tarmac.
All the necessary quotations needed have now arrived. We shall now decide on one.
Thank you for your support in getting these quotes.

Proposal for the Kitchen: We have received a proposal with a cost of £7,500 for used stainless steel range cooker design, but without labour. We will order the kitchen as soon as Integra builders finish their work and hand us keys. There is a problem at the moment; their builders omitted the electric sockets and extractor ducting in the kitchen, once that is ratified, James from Kitchen solution will let us know soon a day to install the kitchen equipment.

Official Opening of the New Hall: This will be on Saturday 28th June at 12.00pm It will be on the same day, as the parish celebrates the 25th anniversary of Fr Moses Priesthood. Please write the date in your diary.

Legio Maria: Has started here at our parish. St Elizabeth's. The group meet weekly - Wednesday at 6.00pm. You are welcome if you want to join. Apart from the weekly meeting there are other activities including visiting homes.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Easter Week Five Year C

Sunday 18th May	9:15am 11:15am	Anthony Cruzz R.I.P. Margaret Ashby Amaris Hilda Bernard 10th Birthday. Ayarin Jayakumar 27th Anniv. Angline Cross 34 Anniv. Edora-Birthday Int.	5th Sunday of Easter
Mon 19th	9.15am	Sandra 23rd Birthday	
Weds 21st	9:15am	Sr. Catherine-Special Intention	
Thu. 22nd	9:15am	Special Intentions	
Fri. 23rd	6:30pm	Evangelising Sisters of Mary	
Sat 24th	8:00am 9:15am	Holy Hour of Adoration	
Sunday 25th May	9:15am	Chaman Nahar-Birthday Oscar Owen R.I.P.	6th Sunday of
	11:15am	Chaman Nahar-Birthday	Easter

Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: £346 Non Gift Aid : £263 QR code Clergy and Training: £89.17 NPH(1st H/Comm): 173.99



Dona Offerings: £ 107.

April Standing Order Total £164. 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 **7:30-8:30pm**. Every one is welcome.

Youth Mass: Every Last Sunday of each Month. On 31st May at 11:15am Mass

Pope's prayer Intention May: For Working Conditions. Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families may be sustained in dignity, and that society may be humanised.

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter Year C

Readings: Acts 14:21b-27; Ps.145(144); Revelation 21:1-5a; Jn.13:34

The Hour Will Come.

We are quickly bored with someone reciting his troubles and we willingly avoid the sight of distress. Perhaps modern living has made us very soft, so soft that when the central heating breaks down or the engine in the car gives trouble, we lament as if it were a major crisis. Yet one has to be realistic. There will be always some distress to plague us in life and, if it is a Christian life, one must be parched by the heat of trials and drenched by the rain of tribulations. As long as we are not committed Christians, we may feel fine; but once committed to Christ, the troubles will start, as in marriage. They had just become engaged. "I shall love," she cooed, "to share all your troubles." "But darling," he murmured, "I have none." "No," she agreed, "but I mean when we are married." As Christians, we need to remember that the experience of faith, drowned with tears, is the root of our Christian way of life.

Read the history of the Church. The ink in which many of its pages are written is the blood of the martyrs and every drop of their blood is liquid history. It began with Christ who brought his ministry to a close in scenes of suffering and death. SS Paul and Barnabas bore witness to Christ in the face of all obstacles and difficulties and even encouraged their disciples to remain steadfast in spite of troubles, for "We must undergo many trials," they said, "If we are to enter into the Kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). Frequently down the centuries, faith and love provoked persecutions; at other times, they summoned people to heroic sacrifices as in the case of countless saints, who abandoned themselves completely to God in lives of poverty and compassion.

Can we also bear our troubles cheerfully for the sake of faith? We can, if we believe in or future life, and Christianity is a fraud if there is no future life. On the eve of his death Jesus said, "Now has the Son of man been glorified and in him God has been glorified" (Jn 13:31). We too will have our hour of glory when we will be great, "enter into new heavens and a new earth," ... (Rev 21:1-4). What a great future awaits us! In this world, some are born great, at least financially, for their parents are very rich; some achieve greatness because of what they accomplish with a lot of effort; and some have greatness thrust upon them because they act heroically and nobly in certain situations. We too, if we react courageously and cheerfully to the crises and challenges of our faith-life, will achieve Christian greatness.

However, we need not suffer alone for faith. As Christians we are friends in Christ and friendship is not a feeling, such as we have when comfortably filled with roast beef; it is loving and sharing. We have a right to expect loving support from one another to sustain our spirits in times of hardships. This is why Jesus asked us "to love each other as he has loved us" (Jn 13:34). It is not one of the teachings of Christ. It is the substance of his teachings. Jesus, before his death gave that core message on love. Love has the power to bring people back from the brink of death, from hopeless sickness to perfect health and to inspire the people of the world with new hope.