

Important Dates for your diary

Forthcoming Second Collections for March to May 2019

Sunday 31st March Church Flowers
Sunday 19th April Holy Places
Sunday 12th May Clergy Training Fund

Sunday 31st March: There will be a second collection for buying good flowers for the Church during this Easter. So please be generous next Sunday

Monday 25th March at 10am: Lent Confessions in St. Elizabeth school
Thursday 28th March at 1:15pm: Lent Confessions in Good Shepherd School

Friday 29th March at 7:00pm: Marriage preparation session for those of our Parish getting married this year.

30th March at 2:00pm: Meeting with the parents /guardians of the FHC Communion's children of St Elizabeth's school in the Parish Hall. Also on **18th May**

Tuesday 2nd April Tea and Chat: 2:00pm - 4:00pm in Parish Hall

Saturday 6th April at 2:00pm: Meeting with the parents /guardians of the First Holy Communion children of Good Shepherd RC school in the Parish Hall.

Sunday 5th May, Day of Prayer for Vocations 3:00pm - 4pm: There will be an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Church and keep the Holy Hour as we pray for the vocations. All are welcome to join.

Sunday 12th May at 9:00am: Mass of commitment for Confirmation candidates year 5 Pupils of our parish Schools . Please remember them in your prayers

Birmingham Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: From Saturday 26th May to Friday 1st June 2018. Details on the notice board at the back of the Church.

Death Anniversaries this Week: Ida Elizabeth Moore, John McGinnity, Percy Henry Hunt, Edward John Patrick Tall, Dawn Wardale, Maureen Court, Marie (Mary) Lamb, Eros Lenard Baker, Annie Wytrykowski, John William Stanley, Myles McHugh, John Patrick Duffy, Violet Rose Ford, Patrick James Boyle, Charles Hollyoak, John Wesley Armstrong, Margaret Hughes, Elizabeth Grant, Veronica Mary Arkell, Iris Maria Jinks, Kathleen Doyle, Jonas Nicnutis, Ben Unis, Noel Fred Brolly, Mary McKinley, Antanas Linkevicius, Bridget Josephine Torley, Budha Labhu Unes, Kathleen I. Brown, Charles Crampsie, Andrew Kelly, William Franks, Eugene Charles Meehan, Margaret Annie Knight, Catherine Aherne, William Coomey, Antoinette M Simms, and Mary McCarthy. **May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace!**

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Apostles of Jesus Serves: St. Elizabeth's St. Osburg's St. Mary's

St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church

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24th March: 3rd Sunday of Lent Yr. C Parish Mass Book - Readings on page 77

Repent or Perish

Sometimes we might think the suffering a person experiences is caused by God because of their sinfulness. Although the readings today at first might sound that way, a careful reading of them shows exactly the opposite. We hear the Lord say, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them' (Ex 3:7-8). God wants to save us from our suffering. The one who is the source of all goodness can never desire harm to come to his children. Yes, suffering is a reality because it is the nature of being human. We who have been saved by Christ, by baptism are not immune to human suffering. However, the difference that our baptism makes, is that we are aware that we have been given the promise of God's mercy. Therefore, we live always in hope and in constant repentance for when we have doubted in God's merciful love.

St Paul speaking in this Sunday second reading tells the Corinthians and us today – 'I want to remind you, brothers, how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea.' Paul raises a theme that is common throughout both the Bible and liturgy. As Christians, we are to consider ourselves as having participated in each of the great historical moments that we commemorate. Each time we come to the table of the Lord at Mass we are participating in the Last Supper, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Let us always be ready for this special moment of God's grace.

Parish Schools (Heads)

St. Elizabeth's

Mr Michael Doyle

Good Shepherd

Mrs Michelle Ashley

Parish Church

Parish Co-ordinators:

Parish Office

Sr Joan

Parish Maintenance

Joe McCadden

Holy Communions

Mrs S Moran & Sr Olivia

Confirmations & RCIA

Miss A Harkin & Sr Olivia

Church Flowers

Children's Liturgy and

Parish Hall Booking

Mr Richard Swift

Safeguarding Officer

Miss Laura Srodon (Solicitor)

Church Music/Liturgy

Miss Laura Srodon

Gift Aid Scheme

Mr Stan Milewski

Chair of Parish Finance

Mr Tony Ashby

Sacristan

Miss Ann Harkin & Sr Joan

Altar Servers

Sr Joan and Alysia Embate

CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

Justice and Peace

Maria

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

Mass Times and Mass Intentions 3rd Week of Lent Year C

Sunday 24th Mar. **9:00am** Michael and Margaret Doherty R.I.P **3rd Sunday of Lent**
11:15am Wesley Armstrong R.I.P.

Mon. 25th 9:00am

Solemnity of the Annunciation

Wed. 27th 9:00am

Thu. 28th 9:15am

Fri. 29th **6:00pm Stations of the Cross**
6:30pm Anna R.I.P.

Sat. 30th 11.00am LAL Sahunta R.I.P.

Sunday 31st Mar. **9:00am**

**Time change next weekend:
 Move your Clock forward by
 1 hour**



11:15am Akabateh Nkeze Stephen and Alem
 Patricia Akabateh R.I.P.

4th Sunday of Lent

Sunday's Rota for Readers & E. Ministers

Extra Ord. Ministers **This Sunday** **Next Sunday**

9:00am Sandra Chaplin
 Baldev
 John Moran

Ann Harkin
 Asha Thapar
 Chaman

11:15am Mary Harkin
 Elizabeth Karota

Jennet King
 Clare Unes

Readers **This Sunday** **Next Sunday**

9:00am Sonya Moran
 Youth Reader

John Moran
 Youth Reader
 Pheblion Mudoti

11:15am Denise
 Youth Reader

Youth Reader

**Church Cleaning Group: D
 Punjabi Rosary Group**
 (Friday Evening: 5.00pm)

Weekly Offertory

Gift Aid: **£431.60**
 Non Gift Aid: **£300.93**
 CAFOD: **£504.05**

Thank you very much for your generosity.

Parish Notices

CAFOD FAST: Family Fast collection, our Parish raised **£504.05**. This has been doubled by the UK government to help the needy around the world. Thank you.

CAFOD Emergency Cyclone Idai Appeal: Please support our parish retiring collection for this appeal. Your donation will give food, clean water and healthcare to people in desperate need. Gabriel, our expert working with the Church in Mozambique at this time, tells us: "We know that **Idai** has wiped out crops and livestock, damaged water supplies and wrecked sanitation facilities, leaving vulnerable families even more exposed. With the support and generosity of the Catholic community, we can reach the people who really need urgent emergency aid."

Retreat for Eucharistic ministers and others: On 13th April 2019, there will be a retreat for all Eucharistic Ministers, adult readers and open to all parishioners from **10am to 4pm** in the Parish centre. This is an opportunity to renew our lives in Christ and rededicate ourselves to serve others in humility.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on 11th May: The Deanery will organise a coach for this Pilgrimage. This will depend on enough people wanting to travel and booking and paying in advance. You can book a place with Fiona at Christ the King by phoning 024 76 591618 or email: admin@ctk-cov.org.uk. A place can only be guaranteed once payment has been received.

Pray the Rosary with Our Lady of Coventry: This takes place every Friday of Lent, May, and October at 1:40pm at Our Lady of Coventry statue in Priory Gardens, near Holy Trinity Church, Broadgate. Everyone is most welcome.

The Sower: This Archdiocesan magazine Easter edition is now available at the back of the Church for you to take. It is very good and rich with information.

The 200 Club draw: New members are welcome. Monthly membership is only £2. The draw for this month will be on Sunday 31st after Mass. (Or £24 a year). For more information please Contact Sr. Joan or Tony

Mission Red Boxes: Our parish through the hard work of Bob Ayliffe raised over £1,100 last year. Thank you for your contributions and to Mr. Ayliffe.

Parish Pastoral Information

Exposition, and Penance/Confession: Every Saturday from 11:20am. to 12:30pm. In emergency please call to the Presbytery or call 024 76 68 85 36

Ethnic Chaplaincy: Shona/Ndebele and Punjabi Communities

Masses: Celebrated here (Shona) 3rd Sunday of each month at 1:00pm. And Punjabi Mass, on 1st Saturday of each month at 6:30pm



Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:

Caroline Dickinson, Dina Kuczynski, Victor De Souza, Charley Williams, Mary Kean, Mary Gallagher, Kath Darragh, Mrs Doyle, Rohith De Silva, and Joe Shannon. **Get Well Soon.**