

Important Dates for your diary

Forthcoming Second Collections for December 2019

Sunday 8th December

Poor Parishes Fund

Sunday 15th December

Church Flowers for St. Elizabeth Church for Christmas.

Sunday 1st December: There will be a second collection taken for St. Elizabeth Church Flowers - Christmas.

Sunday 1st December at 12:30pm: New Parish Hall Core Group - meeting in the Presbytery.

Crib Blessing: Today in the Precinct by the Library at 4.00pm. Everyone is welcome.

Tuesday 3rd December Tea and Chat: 2:00pm-4:00pm in Parish Hall.

Thursday 5th December at 7:00pm: Confirmation Mass with Bishop William. Our yr. 6 and children from the parish will be confirmed in December. Please pray for them and families

Sunday 8th December: 10:15am Justice and Peace meeting in Parish Hall.



Thursday 11th December 2019 at 7:00pm: First Confessions in Church for Year 3 and for all the children preparing for their First Holy Communion.

Sunday 15th December from 8am: Christmas Fayre in aid of the new parish hall.

Saturday 9th May 2020 in the afternoon: Parish Harambee (Fundraising event) for the whole parish community. Details to follow later.

The 200 Club draw: New members are welcome. Monthly membership is only £2 (Or £24 a year). The Draw for this month will be 29th Sunday after Mass. For more information please Contact Sr. Joan or Tony.

Live Simply Re-cycling: Please continue to re-cycle, if you are having new games, consoles, new iPads, laptops. Please note that we cannot take any large items. Mobile phones, cameras, digital cameras, games and accessories, mp3 players, old jewellery, stamps, coins and currency.

Death Anniversaries this Week: May McCarthy, Anna Cramp, Michael Raggett, Gary Patrick Douglas, Annie Lizzie Claw, Thomas William Bingham, Thomas Gilmartin, Adrian Philip Poole, Babs Rann, Patrick Andrew Rooney, Herbert Henry Kelsey, Mark Pratt, Michael Jordan, Peter Thomas Maher, John Anthony Quigley, Stephen Collins, Mary Kell, John Hastings, Joseph Smith, Lydia Hastings, William Hughes, Martin Thomas Tynan, Andrew Thomas Kinnie, George Patrick Coombes, William McNamara, William Sheppard, Christina Mary Hogan, Eugene Williamson, Maurice Peter Sheridan, Ishar Dass Sahunta, Mary Elizabeth Sheils, Alexander Gentles, Martin Nagle, Nancy Anne King, James Ivers, Christopher Masterson, Frances Ward, Patrick Howe, Margaret Kerr, Margaret Hudson, Patrick Joseph Keenan and Christopher Torley.

May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace

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Apostles of Jesus Serves:

St. Osburg's

St. Mary's

St. Elizabeth's

St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church

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St. Elizabeth's

Mr Michael Doyle

Good Shepherd

Mr Andy McConville

Parish Church

Parish Co-ordinators:

Parish Office

Sr Joan

Parish Maintenance Leader

Joe McCadden

First 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 Alaysa Embate

CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

Justice and Peace:

Maria

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

1st Dec. 2019: 1st Sunday of Advent Yr. A Parish Mass Book - Readings on page 26 Season of Advent

A farmer who owned land along the Atlantic seacoast advertised for a hired hand. Most people were reluctant to work on the farms along the coast. They dreaded the awful storms wreaking havoc on building and crops. After many unsuccessful interviews, a short, thin man showed up. "Are you a good farmhand?" the farmer asked him. "Well, I can sleep when the wind blows," was the reply. Puzzled by his answer but desperate for help, the farmer hired him. The little man worked from dawn to dusk and the farmer was satisfied. Then one night the wind howled loudly in from offshore. Jumping out of the bed, the farmer grabbed a lantern and rushed next door to the farmhand. He shook him and yelled: "Get up! A storm is coming! Tie things down before they are blown away." The little man rolled over in bed and said firmly, "No sir, I told you: I can sleep when the wind blows." Enraged by his response, the farmer was tempted to fire him there and then. But he hurried outside to prepare for the storm. To his amazement, he discovered that all the haystacks had been covered with tarpaulins, the cows were in the barn, the chickens in the coops, and the doors were barred. The shutters were tightly secured. Everything was tied down. Nothing could be blown away. The farmer then understood what the hired man had meant. He too returned to his bed to sleep while the wind blew. As we begin Advent, a season of waiting and expectation, Jesus tells us in today's gospel to be watchful and alert. Being watchful and alert implies living in the now and to put our trust in God. Advent gives us a wonderful opportunity to rediscover our true priority and purpose in life. No rush in judging others, no panic in times of difficulties, but trust in the Almighty.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions 1st Sunday of Advent Year A

Sunday 1st Dec. 9:00am Lena, George & John Harkin R.I.P. **First Sunday of Advent** 

11:15am Seebo Masih Thapar R.I.P.
Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P.


Mon. 2nd 9:00am

Wed. 4th 9:00am Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P. St. Birinus

Thu. 5th 9:15am Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P.
Susan Odigwe– Special Intention

Fri. 6th 8:30am **Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction**
6:30pm Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P.

Sat. 7th 11:00am Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P. St. Ambrose

Sunday 8th Dec. 9:00am Sarah Namagambe R.I.P. **2nd Sunday of Advent** 

11:15am Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P.

Sunday's Rota for Readers & E. Ministers

Extra Ord. Ministers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
9:00am	Lakhwinder John Moran Susan Nahar	Sandra Chaplin Ann Harkin Chaman
11:15am	Louis Kadjo Jennet King	Elizabeth Karota Clare Unes
Readers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
9:00am	Sonya Moran Stan M.	John Moran Youth Reader
11:15am	Youth Reader Youth Reader	Craig Noureya Youth Reader

Church Cleaning Team:
E
(Saturday 2:00pm)
Sr. Joan & Altar Servers/
Parents

Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme: £392.00
Non Gift Aid Scheme: £203.98
Catholic Youth Service : £78.54

Up-to-date Total for Hall: £12, 232.72
Thank you very much for your **generosity.**

Parish Notices

Bishop William Kenney: We are honoured this First Sunday of Advent to receive our area bishop. He has kindly accepted to come to our parish and lead us in Mass at 11:15am, when he will also issue certificates to the young adults of our parish who have been undergoing leadership training for the last six weeks. Congratulations to the graduates and best wishes and success in their mission. Bishop William will be back again on Thursday 5th December at 7pm for Confirmation.

Advent Season: Walk with Me Booklets to accompany us in our journey towards Christmas are now available at the back of the Church for you to collect. A donation of **£1 per booklet** will be greatly appreciated to cover the cost.

Christmas Carols in Church: On 24th December at 6:30pm before the family Mass, to be lead by young people and children of the parish. Practice on Sunday after the 11:15am Mass in school hall.

Christmas Quiz - family fun! Still on sale for £1 until December 8th. The drawn will be on the day of Christmas Fayre - winners will receive: A Family Christmas Hamper, toiletries, wine and various games. All proceeds for the New Parish Hall.
Christmas Fayre: Christmas Fayre on Sunday 15th December. Please bring your donations to the Church over the next few weeks. Check on the Church noticeboard for items required. Help is needed on the day, if you can please!

Christmas Raffle Tickets: Tickets now on sale at the back of the church - £1 a booklet of 5 tickets. Great **Prizes** including: **1st Large TV (used).** **2nd New Fridge freezer.** **3rd Stereo.** **4th £50.** **5th Food hamper.** **6th bottle of Glenfiddich and others.** The draw will take place on 29th December. You can support by just buying raffle tickets. All proceeds for the New Parish Hall.

Coventry Open Christmas: Each year, we think of others who are less fortunate than ourselves. I am once again appealing for donations. There will be a box at the back of the Church. These will be taken to Queens Road Baptist Church on 22nd December. There is a list of things needed at the back of the church. Donations of cash is welcomed too. God bless you all. Maria.

Holy Hour and Confessions

Holy Hour of Adoration of the Lord: There are regular opportunities each week to pray before the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition each Friday at **8:30am-9:30am** and Saturday **11:25am-12:25pm**.

Do you want Confessions?: If you have acknowledged your sin, go to receive God's pardon. Confessions available every Saturday from 11:25-12:25pm. In emergency please call to the Presbytery 024 76 68 85 36



Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:

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