

# 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 8th December:** There will be a second collection taken for Poor Parishes Fund.

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



**Parish Penance and Year 3 First Confessions on 11th Dec. at 7:00pm:** First Confessions in Church for Year 3 and for all the children preparing for their First Holy Communion their parents and parishioners who want to prepare well for Christmas celebration.

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

**Saturday 11th January Renewal Mass at 11:00am and Christmas Party:** All the Altar servers will renew their commitment to serve. This will be followed by Christmas party and all their parents are welcome to join in the Parish hall.



**Sunday 26th January 2020 at 9am:** Thanksgiving Mass for Confirmation.

**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.

**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.

**Live Simply Re-cycling:** Please continue to re-cycle, if you are having new games, consoles, new iPads, laptops. Please not 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:** Johanna Johnson, James Andrew Howard, Dorothy Green, Joan Stewart, Eugene McSweeney, Mary Shaw, Lena Harkin, Eric Clarke, Patrick Delahunty, John Lucas, Richard Costello, Anna Cutts, John Jones, Hannah Livesey, Edward Sheehy (Ted), Timothy Carey, Joseph Francis (Joe), Gerard William Ryde, Ann Manning, Thomas Terence, William King, Patrick O'Hanlon, Mary F Hannon, Bernard Rewhorn, Patrick Joseph Breslin, Michael Banaban, Mary Catherine More, Stuart Baker, Patrick McKenna, Evelyn May Haughney and William J McCann. **May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace**

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## St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Church

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### Parish Schools (Heads)

#### 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

### 8th Dec. 2019: 2nd Sunday of Advent Yr. A

**Parish Mass Book - Readings on page 28**



#### A Day Will Come

A day will come when justice and righteousness will roll down like a mighty stream for the king **"shall wear the band of Justice around his waist" (Is. 11:5)**. A day will come, when people will all be equal and un-classed so that even the wolf shall be the guest of the lamb. A day will come when there will be no enemies but only friends to love – even **"baby will play with cobra's den."** For there shall be no harm or ruin **(Is. 11:8 -9)**. On that day all people, high and low, rich and poor, will sit together at the table. This is the picture of the kingdom, a return to the primeval harmony of the paradise, which Isaiah foresaw at the coming of Jesus Christ in the root of Jesse." Jesus Christ did come; but still, in our world, might is master and justice is servant. Jesus Christ did come; but still, equality in our society applies only to those in the grave; all people are born equal, yes, but eventually quite a few get over it. Christ did come; yes, but still there is nothing like a true friendship among human beings: some spend their lives making enemies, others terminating them.

The vision of Isaiah has already been fulfilled by Christ, who has come and still with us. He has sown the seeds of the new kingdom in us, but we only wait for his final fulfilment. Hence; our waiting must be an active one. We have to prepare ourselves and the world to receive the new kingdom. Hope is vital in this wait. Come Lord Jesus, Come ....

To live without is the greatest human poverty. As a little child having a bad nightmare screams at night, so we too in the face of so much evil in the world may get dis-hearted and frightened. But we need not. As the mother hearing the child scream runs to the bedroom and hugs the child, saying **"it's alright, don't worry, I am here,"** so God comforts us saying, **"I am with you; do not be afraid, you are mine"**. Advent offers us a rare opportunity to prepare for the coming of the Lord and as well for his kingdom.

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions 2nd Sunday of Advent Year A

<b>Sunday 8th Dec.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Sarah Namagambe R.I.P.</b>	<b>2nd Sunday of Advent</b>	
	<b>11:15am</b>	<b>Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P.</b>		
Mon. 9th	9:00am	Deceased Members of McEneaney	Immaculate Conception	
Wed. 11th	9:00am	Patrick & Kathleen Breslin R.I.P. W F Ashby R.I.P.		
Thu. 12th	9:15am <b>6:30pm</b>	Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P. <b>Caterina Staiw R.I.P - Funeral</b>	<b>Reception</b>	
<b>Fri. 13th</b>	<b>9:00am</b> 6:30pm	<b>Caterina Stasiw R.I.P - Funeral</b> Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P.	<b>Mass</b>	
Sat. 14th	11:00am	Linda and Domingos Batista R.I.P.	St. John of the Cross	
	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Fareli Family</b>		
<b>Sunday 15th Dec.</b>	<b>11:15am</b>	<b>Gladys Rooney R.I.P.Linda</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Advent</b>	
	1:00pm	Shona/Ndebele Community Mass		

## Sunday's Rota for Readers & E. Ministers

Extra Ord. Ministers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
<b>9:00am</b>	Sandra Chaplin Ann Harkin Chaman	Baldev Thapar Elizabeth A. Lakhwinder
<b>11:15am</b>	Elizabeth Karota Clare Unes	Jennet King Louis Kadjo
Readers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
<b>9:00am</b>	John Moran Youth Reader	Stan M. Youth Reader
<b>11:15am</b>	Craig Noureya Youth Reader	Travor Youth Reader

**Church Cleaning Team:**  
A (Thursday Morning 9:30am)  
Mrs Maureen Ryan, Lorna and Mrs Pat Stonach

### Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme:	<b>£572.01</b>
Non Gift Aid Scheme:	<b>£231.74</b>
Church Flowers :	<b>£106.63</b>

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

## Parish Notices

**Advent Parish Penance Service and year 3 First Confessions.** This will take place on Wednesday 11th December at 7:00pm: The Year 3 children from parish schools will make their First Confessions as well as other children of the parish preparing for their First Holy Communion and their families. Priests from neighbouring parishes will be available to help with confessions.

**Confirmation with Bishop William:** Congratulations to the newly confirmed of our parish and schools. Thank you to all their parents and sponsors and to Bishop William for confirming them. Best wishes to all and happy Christmas

**First Holy Communion Parents Meeting:** This will take place next Saturday 14th in the parish hall from 2pm to 3pm. The children of the First Holy Communion will have their session in church at the same time.

**The Year of the Word:** the 2020 sees the 10th anniversary of Verbum Domino, the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Benedict XVI on the Word of the Lord. Year 2020 is also the 1,600th anniversary of St Jerome's death. It was St Jerome who said "Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." The Church, especially in England and Wales has declared this year as the "Year of the Word." We are all encouraged to enter in the habit of reading the Bible and to know God's Word

**Advent Walk With Me Booklets:** These are still available at the back of the Church for you to collect. A donation of **£1 per booklet** to cover the cost.

**Christmas-Eve Carols in Church:** The young people and children of the parish will lead the Carol singing on 24th Dec. at 7pm before the family Mass 8:00pm

**Christmas Quiz - family fun!** Still on sale for £1 until December 8th. The draw is next Sunday - winners will receive: A Family Christmas Hamper, toiletries, wine and various games.

**Christmas Fayre:** Christmas Fayre next Sunday from 8am. Please bring your donations to the Church before Sunday 15th. Dec. 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 29<sup>th</sup> December. You can support by just buying raffle tickets. **All the above proceeds for New Parish Hall.**

## Holy Hour and Confessions

**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.**