

# Important Dates for your diary

## Forthcoming Second Collections for January 2020

<b>Sunday 26th January</b>	New Parish Centre
<b>Sunday 2nd February</b>	New Parish Centre
<b>Sunday 9th February</b>	New Parish Centre
<b>Sunday 16th February</b>	Parish Youth Services
<b>Sunday 23rd February</b>	New Parish Centre
<b>Sunday 1st March</b>	Cathedral maintenance
<b>Sunday 8th March</b>	First CAFOD (Lenten Fast collection)
<b>Sunday 15th March</b>	Parish Youth Services
<b>Sunday 22nd March</b>	New Parish Centre
<b>Sunday 29th March</b>	Church's Flowers
<b>Sunday 5th April</b>	Church's Flowers

**Sunday 26th Jan. at 9am:** Year 6 pupils and all the children who were confirmed by Bishop William last December will join us this Sunday for their thanksgiving Mass to God for the gift of Confirmation. Thank you to their teachers, parents and sponsors too for the support.

**Saturday 7th March St Stephen's Guild Mass of Thanksgiving at noon:** The Archdiocese of Birmingham invites all Altar Servers with their parents to a Mass of thanksgiving for their ministry at St. Chad's Cathedral. Please write this date in dairy



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

**Sunday 17th May at 9:00am:** First Holy Communion Mass for children from Good Shepherd RC primary school. Please remember them in your prayers

**Sunday 14th June at 9:00am:** First Holy Communion Mass for children from St. Elizabeth's RC primary school. Please remember them in your prayers

**Thank you for supporting the 200 Club:** Last year we managed to raise **£963**. We could make it even go up to over £1000 if we all join the scheme. Remember all are welcome. Monthly membership is only £2. (Or £24 a year). For more information please Contact Sr. Joan or Tony Ashby. **The** draw for this month will be on Sunday 26th after Mass. Thank you for your support.

**Live Simply Re-cycling:** Please continue to re-cycle: games, consoles, iPads, laptops, mobile phones, cameras, accessories, mp3 players, old jewellery, stamps, coins and currency. Please no large items. Thank you.

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** Barry John Savage, Thomas Bryne, Joanne Hughes, William P. McGowan, Ernest Blake, James Judge, John Edwin Ashton, Jenny Gane, Catherine Rafferty, Terence Kelly, William O'Hara, Anita Lecyn, Michael Keating, Eileen Ardiffe, Veronica Conroy, Gerard Davies, Helena Harris, Mary Ellen George, Patrick McGrath, Thomas George Flanagan, Frances Mylett, Ronald Dunkley, Patrick Walker, James Joseph O'Connell, Evelyn May Verdou, Alfredo Sirti, James Mackey, Daniel Joseph Holcroft, John Murray, Mary Goody and Anastasia Balfe. **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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### 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 Alysya Embate

#### CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

#### Justice and Peace:

Maria

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

### 26th January 3rd Sunday Year. A

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### Sunday of the Word of God

In his Apostolic Letter of 30 September 2019, *Aperuit illis*, Pope Francis established that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be the Sunday of the Word of God. It is a day to be devoted to the celebration, study, and spreading of the Word of God. Pope Francis is clear from the very first paragraph of this letter that the relationship between the Risen Lord, a community of believers, and sacred Scripture is essential to who we are as Christians. The Sunday assembly gathering to celebrate the Eucharist is the unique moment in the week where a community gathers in a particular place and when their communal identity is nourished by Word and Sacrament. An important advance in 20th century theological reflection is that every sacramental celebration is founded and constructed upon the Word of God, and that every proclamation of the Word of God is sacramental. This Sunday builds on the texts and prayers of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time and is conscious that it comes just after the celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. While we are not yet united around the table of the Eucharist, we do share on many Sundays of the year the same scriptural readings in our different Christian assemblies. Pope Francis urges us to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to continue our prayer for Christian unity.

This Sunday is a time when the community is called to give greater attention not just to the Word of God. It is also urged to reflect on how we honour that Word in our celebrations, the books that we proclaim the Word from. Is the Gospel book carried in procession? Is it a well-made book that shows forth its life-giving content? Is it honoured with incense, and do we sing during the Gospel procession? Are the readers who proclaim the Word formed in the art of proclamation, and the knowledge of what they are announcing? Are the readers who proclaim the Word formed in the art of proclamation, and the knowledge of what they are announcing?

SPREAD THE WORD

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions Week 3 in Ordinary Time Year A

<b>Sunday</b> <b>26th Jan.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Kath Darragh R.I.P	<b>3rd Sunday</b> <b>Year A</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	Dan Gilmartin R.I.P	
Mon. 27th	9:00am	Wright Family - Special Intentions	
Wed. 29th	9:00am	Lolita Cacho & James Hobbs R.I.P	
Thu. 30th	9:15am	Kath Darragh & Thelma Altre R.I.P	
Fri. 31st	8:30am	Holy Hour of Adoration	St. John Bosco (Brexit Day)
		Daisy Williams R.I.P	
Sat. 1st.	11:00am	Lena, George & John Harkin R.I.P	
<b>Sunday</b> <b>2nd Feb</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Amanath R.I.P	<b>Feast of the</b> <b>Presentation</b> <b>of the Lord</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	Marta Kielbasa - Special Intentions Jadwiga, Skodra R.I.P	

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

Extra Ord. Ministers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
<b>9:00am</b>	Elizabeth A. Chaman Nahar Lakhwinder	Ann Harkin Asher Tapper Susan Nahar
<b>11:15am</b>	Elizabeth Karota Mary Harkin	Luis Kadjo Clare Unes
Readers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
<b>9:00am</b>	School Reader School Reader	Stan Sonya
<b>11:15am</b>	Christine Rothwell Youth Reader	Juliet Youth Reader

**Church Cleaning Team:**  
(Friday Morning/Afternoon)  
Angeline Ake,  
Teresia Njuhiga,  
Claudine and Marie  
Madalene

#### Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme: **£366.94**  
Non Gift Aid Scheme: **£280.36**  
Youth Group Services (Parish) **£114.56**

**Up-to-date Total for Hall: £17,770.00**  
Thank you very much for your **generosity.**

## Parish Notices

**Church Ablaze:** We know that young adults are *"the now of God"* and that they have a crucial role in shaping and serving in our Church. We want to help raise a generation of young adults who are using their God-given gifts and talents to shape and serve in the Body of Christ. Church Ablaze is a day to accompany young adults as they discern the gifts and charisms they have as well as equipping and supporting them to find their place in the Church, with authentic and meaningful roles. The day includes talks designed to inspire and equip, as well as opportunities to network and meet with various organisations and movements in the Church that offer authentic roles to young adults. The whole day, including lunch is free to participants, and will run from 10am - 4pm on Saturday 1st February 2020. Transport is available. Email **Megan** for details

**New parish levy – temporary suspension and further review:** I am grateful to many of you who have contacted me recently expressing your concerns about the new parish levy. I have taken careful note of these observations and as a result I can advise you that the new levy amounts advised to you will now **not** be taken on 31 January. I have asked that a further review be undertaken and that a revised proposal be put forward which will be available for discussion and feedback at the February deanery meetings. This will delay the implementation of any new levy by approximately 3 months in order to allow time for reflection and adjustments to be agreed. In the meantime, a single amount equivalent to the levies taken in the first quarter of 2019 will be taken on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020. More information will be sent to you in due course. In the meantime, please extend my thanks to the members of your Parish Finance Committee and be assured of my thanks for all that you do, together with my prayers. **Archbishop B Longley**

**Plastic Free Lent:** As part of Pope Francis' Live Simply message, on 9th February we will be publicising alternatives to plastic to help you reduce the use of plastic items during Lent. Challenge yourself could you manage a plastic free Lent. There will be a table at the back of the church after each Mass for you to have an idea of alternative products. **Justice and Peace Group.**

### 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



**Holy Hour of Adoration of the Lord:** There are regular opportunities each week to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.

Each Friday at **8:30am-9:30am** and Saturday **11:25am-12:25pm**. Welcome

#### Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:

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