

Important Dates for your diary

Forthcoming Second Collections for Year 2020

Sunday 16th February	Pro-Life collections (For the Archdiocese)
Sunday 23rd February	New Parish Centre
Sunday 1st March	Cathedral maintenance
Sunday 8th March	First CAFOD (Lenten Fast collection)
Sunday 15th March	Parish Youth Services
Sunday 22nd March	New Parish Centre
Sunday 29th March	Church's Flowers
Sunday 5th April	Church's Flowers

Saturday 29th Feb: at 2pm: New Parish hall Fundraising committee - Leaders Meeting in the hall. Only Community Leaders

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.



Saturday 7th March: Wedding - Dr Calistus Kenekukwa Ezeokoli & Miss MaryJane Chidubem Okeke. Please remember them in your prayers.

Thursday 12th March: Wedding of Mr. Bernard C. Cawley & Miss Bridget Brittany Corcoran.

Saturday 14th March: Please sponsor Fr Moses, Bob and the group for a **Bicycle-Ride** from Coventry to Warwick university, Berkswell, Kenilworth and back. More details later.

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

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 7th June at 11:15am: First Holy Communion Mass for children prepared by Parish's Catechists in the parish. 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

Friday 31st July: Please sponsor Fr Moses, Bob and the group to **climb Mount Snowdon** to raise funds for our new parish community hall.

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: Monica Douglas, Martha McKale, Timothy Shanahan, Mary O'Sullivan, James Darragh, Francis Kevin Keogh, Katleigh L O'Dowd, James Thompson, Josephine Kathleen Brown, Margaret Patricia Judge and Eamon Joseph Judge . **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 Wafala

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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. A

Parish Mass Book - Readings on page. 64

Our Freedom of Choice

A man was lying on the operating table ready for on his tongue. The surgeon warned him: "if you have anything to say, say it now because you may not be able to speak after the operation". The good man thought for a moment and then said: "Jesus Christ be praised!" "Let him be praised always", replied the surgeon.

"Fear not that your life shall come to an end, but rather that it shall never have a beginning" - Cardinal Newman. God, all-powerful and wise, created man to be responsible and to make choices. Ecclesiasticus teaches that God respects the choice of his creation. God is not responsible for human sin (*Ec15:11*). In the tradition of *Deuteronomy 30:19*, Ben Sirach urges his readers to choose life rather than death. Jesus prompts his disciples to choose a life of a higher righteousness than that of the Scribes and Pharisees. Jesus wanted his followers to observe the law as God intended it, because he now reinterprets the law given by Moses with the authority of God himself. Jesus gives examples of what this higher righteousness means: "to protect the unity of God's family and community; and forbids taking oaths". Jesus defended the validity and the necessity of obeying the Old Testament laws which he came to fulfil. He stresses on a better, superior, and, specifically, interior (*inner*) adherence to them. Not like the Pharisees and Scribes who teaches external observes only. Jesus gave these commands to the eleven to pass them on to the nations (*Mt 28:20*), as Moses passed on the law at Mt Sinai (*Ex 24*). It's the mission of his disciples to make such observance possible

SPREAD THE WORD

Mass Times and Mass Intentions Week 6 in Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday 16th. Feb	9:00am	Veronica Dixon Sp. Intention	6th Sunday Year A
	11:15am	Luiza - Special Intentions	
Mon. 17th	9:30am	Paul Brady R.I.P (Funeral Mass)	Funeral
Wed. 19th	11:00am	Barkat Masih R.I.P (Funeral Mass)	Funeral
Thu. 20th	9:15am		
Fri. 21st	8:30am	Adoration-(Holy Hour)	
	6:30pm	Paul Brady R.I.P	
Sat. 22nd	11:00am	James Hobbs (B'day)	St Peter, Apostle
Sunday 23rd. Feb	9:00am	John & Bernadette Quigley R.I.P	7th Sunday Year A
	11:15am	Jimmy Miller R.I.P	

Sunday's Rota for Readers & E. Ministers

Extra Ord. Ministers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
9:00am	Sandra Chaplin Elizabeth Ayliff Asha Thapar	Ann Harkin Lakhwinder Chaman
11:15am	Louis Kadjo Clare Unes	Elizabeth Karota Jennet King
Readers	Next Sunday	Next Sunday
9:00am	Stan Milewski Aizack Masih	John Moran Sonya Moran
11:15am	Youth Reader Youth Reader	Trevor Stronach 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:	£395.00
Non Gift Aid Scheme:	£186.82
New Parish Centre	£66.93

Over all Total raised for Hall in 2019: £19,798.98
Thank you very much for your generosity.

Parish Notices

Coronavirus: Advice for Parishes and Community Facilities from (CBCEW):

The key things to do are: **(1)** Ensure everyone maintains good hygiene especially at Mass and parish gatherings. The best way of protecting us from spread is for everyone to use universal good hygiene, which will effectively disrupt spread of the virus. We should be doing this all the time for 'flu: "Catch it - sneeze into a tissue, Bin it - bin the tissue, Kill it - wash your hands with soap and water, Do not touch your face unless you've washed your hands". **(2)** Ask anyone with cold or flu symptoms to refrain from taking communion from the Chalice and receive the host on the hand only. (We should be doing this anyway, every 'flu season.) **(3)** Ensure good regular cleaning of surfaces lots of people touch regularly. **(4)** Ensure you combat discrimination against Chinese people and others wrongly assumed to have or be spreading the virus. **(5)** Display the public information poster (See Further Materials below). **(6)** Consider asking everyone at large gatherings like Mass to sanitise their hands as they come in, especially communal meals. **(7)** Ensure Ministers of the Eucharist sanitise their hands before and after distributing communion (we should be doing this anyway as a matter of course.) This can be done by washing hands discreetly before proceeding to the sanctuary or using good quality hand gel discreetly. Remember to use good hand washing and gel use technique. You can find more here: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthybody/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/> and a poster here: <https://www.who.int/gpsc/5may/resources/posters/en/> **(8)** There is no need as things stand, for the Chalice to be withdrawn or the sign of peace suspended, such as was advised during the 2009 'flu pandemic. **(9)** If people are not known to have coronavirus or flu-like symptoms or not asked to self-isolate because they have recently returned from an area of very high prevalence, pastoral visiting is fine. **Community Facilities e.g. Hall/Centre:** **(1)** Follow the hygiene advice for parishes. **(2)** If you have a suspected case of someone in a school, it is best to put the person in a room away from others while you take immediate advice from NHS 111 or NHS Direct. Follow advice from there. More information on parish notice board or go to <http://www.cbcew.org.uk> for more information, or <https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronaviruswhat-you-need-to-know>

Ask Wednesday on 26th Feb: This is a beginning of Lenten season. If you have a Palm branch/Leaf of Last year, please bring it to Church anytime, we need to prepare them ready for Ash Wednesday. Put them at the back of Church.

Walk With Me Booklets: These are now available at the back of the Church for you to take. Any donation for the cost would very much be appreciated.

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 exposed in Church each Friday from **8:30am-9:30am** and Saturday

Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:

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

