

Important Dates for your diary

Forthcoming Second Collections for Year 2020

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

Wednesday 26th : Lent plastic challenge. Today we reflect on Isaiah 24:4-5 'The earth dries up and withers, the world languishes and withers

Thursday 27th March: 'Give up disposable cups & plastic bottles. Carry a water bottle'

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 to a Mass of thanksgiving for their ministry at St. Chad's Cathedral. Parents who wish to join are welcome too.



Saturday 7th March: Wedding - Dr Calistus Kenechukwu 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.

Death Anniversaries this Week: Arthur Hughes, Catherine Braid, Thomas Matthews, Catherine Maher, Angelica Bochno, Ellen Hammond, Patrick Joseph Cahill, Julia O'Keefe, Morgan Hughes, Alice Wilkinson, Angela Mullally, Lily Hounslea, Frank Charles Tatlow, Bridgett Griffin, William Brynes, Sarah Jane Bowen, Conal Bryne, Mabel Dean, Scott Alan Edwards, Terrance Kelly, Richard Brady and Mary Margaret Hughes.

May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace

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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 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 Alysya Embate

CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

Justice and Peace:

Maria

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. A

Parish Mass Book - Readings on page. 67

Love and Forgiveness

In his famous novel, *"The Power and the Glory"*, Graham Greene relates the story of one of his *"Wisky Priest"* in Latin America during an armed revolution, where most priests flee for their lives except the *wisky priest*. But unfortunately, he is not heroic or exemplary. Besides his love for Wine, he also loves women and got a daughter with one. He was later arrested and to be executed. On the eve of his execution, while still in his lonely cell, the priest ruefully ruminates: **"O God, I'm sorry and beg pardon for all my sins...what a fool I have been to think I was strong enough to stay when others fled...what an impossible fellow I'm, and how useless."** Graham later concluded that the most regretful thoughts of the priest was his disappointment of going to God empty-handed, with nothing done at all, having had several opportunities to do so.

This is what God reminds and commands us of, in this Sunday's readings. "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy" (*first reading*) "Surely you know that you are God's temple and God's Spirit lives in you !...God's temple is holy, and you yourselves are His temples" (*second reading*). "You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect" (*gospel*). There are many people who feel, this holiness is only refers to priests and religious Nuns and Brothers, they are wrong. Holiness is an inside job; St Paul writes to Corinthians: **"Are you not aware that you are the temple of God?"** Holiness is not something like a hat we put on our head, but it is living the life of the one who fashioned us. We are God's children. But how much do we resemble our heavenly Father.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions Week 7 in Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday 23rd. Feb	9:00am	John & Bernadette Quigley R.I.P	7th Sunday Year A
	11:15am	Jimmy Miller R.I.P	
Mon. 24th	9:00am		
Wed. 26th	9:15am	Ash Wednesday	Ash Wednesday
	6:30pm	Ash Wednesday	
Thu. 27th	9:15am	Quigley Family & Friends	
Fri. 28th	8:30am	Holy Hour of Adoration	
	6:30pm		
Sat. 29th	11:00am		St Peter, Apostle
Sunday 1st March	9:00am	Bronislaw & Mary Srodon R.I.P	1st Sunday of Lent Year A
	11:15am	People of the Parish	

Sunday's	Rota for Readers &	E. Ministers
Extra Ord. Ministers	This Sunday	Next Sunday
9:00am	Ann Harkin Lakhwinder Chaman Nahar	Vanie Segui, , John Moran Susan Nahar
11:15am	Elizabeth Karota Jennet King	Baldav Thapar Louis Kadjo
Readers	Next Sunday	Next Sunday
9:00am	Aizack Masih Youth Reader - Gb	William Allen Sonya Moran
11:15am	Trevor Stronach Pheblion Mudoti	Mary Harkin Youth Reader

Church Cleaning Team: B
(Friday Morning 9:30am)
Angeline, Marie, Claudine
and Gladys

Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme:	£393.60
Non Gift Aid Scheme:	£294.83
Pro Life	£54.75

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

Parish Notices

Ask Wednesday: This is a beginning of Lenten season. If you have a Palm branches of Last year, please bring it to the Church anytime, we need to prepare them ready for Ash Wednesday. There will be two Masses: **9:15am** and **6:30pm**. This is an opportunity to examine our consciences and to renew our lives

Stations of the Cross: This starts on **Friday 6th** March at 6:00pm in Church, followed by Holy Mass. Please come and pray with us the Stations.

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.

CAFOD Family Fast and Collections: This Lent, CAFOD Fast Day is an opportunity to reach out to some of the poorest, most marginalised of our society. Will you, on Friday 6th eat a simple meal in solidarity and give what you save to help people like Sister Consilia to continue her life-saving work - helping the health of the world's poorest people? Through CAFOD's global Church family - one of the largest aid networks in the world - your support can reach to the ends of the earth. Please collect your Family Fast Day envelope from church this week and give whatever you can in second collection on Sunday 8th March.

Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School: If your child is 3 years old before 1st September 2020. You would be eligible for a place at Good Shepherd Nursery. We offer morning places 8.30-11.30am. Afternoon places 12.30 -3.30pm Also limited 30-hour places for families who are entitled to apply for the 30-hour code. For more information please contact the school on 024 76 689392.

Live music, dancing, food & drink, with the Innisfail Ceili Band: Adults £5, Children £2.50, Family £10 (2 adults + 2 children) Pay on the door only. Includes performances from our younger members and the Celtica Academy Irish Dance School. Free buffet and raffle prizes to be won

Free Music Lessons: Start Monday 2nd March 6.30pm in Parish Hall. 5 sessions. Registration form at the back of church & in Hall. Or talk to Trevor.

Introduction to the Bible: Start Monday 2nd March 7.30 during Lent. Talks and practical experience on How to interpret the Bible. Notice at Back of church and Parish Hall. Please sign up or see Sr Olivia or Trevor.

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.**

