

## Important Notices

**New Parish Hall:** This is to inform you that the architects have now updated all the drawings ready for submission to the planning department and HCC. It is unclear what the planning fee is for the amendment submission, but they will let me know when the council has confirmed this. An architect already had conversation beforehand with the planning officer, so he is aware an amendment which is on the way. These drawings will also be sent to the Structural and Services Consultants to obtain quotes from them, which is expected to only two weeks. If anyone wish to receive a copy of the drawing please email **Fr Moses**.

**Day of Prayer for Humanity 14<sup>th</sup> May:** Our world is facing at the moment a great danger that threatens the lives of millions of people around the world due to the growing spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. While we reaffirm the role of medicine and scientific research in fighting this pandemic, we should not forget to seek refuge in God, as we face this severe crisis. Therefore, we call upon all peoples around the world to pray according to each one's, respective religious convictions, to observe fast and to do good deeds to end this pandemic. May each of us, wherever we are, and according to the teachings of our own respective faith traditions and philosophies, seek divine help to rescue ourselves and the entire world from this adversity, to inspire scientists to find a cure for the virus and to save the whole world from the health, economic, and human repercussions of this serious pandemic. As part of its efforts to realize the objectives of the Document on Human Fraternity, the Higher Committee of Human Fraternity proposes Thursday, 14 May 2020 as a Day of prayers, fasting and works of charity for the good of all humanity. In this regard, the Committee invites all religious leaders and peoples around the world to respond to this call together; to beseech God, the Almighty to safeguard the entire world, to help us overcome this pandemic, to restore security, stability, health, and prosperity, so that, once this crisis is over, our world may become a better place for humanity and for human fraternity than ever before.

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** Fredrick Ralph Phillips, Monica Conroy, Eva Sudeikaite, Mary Jordan, Kathleen Flynn, Anne McGinnity, Gerard Collins, Patrick Joseph Walsh, John McCartney, Veronica May Jephcott, Margarita Bory's, John Leslie Marsden, Herbert John Bowen, Celine Josephine Hickman, Bernard John Robert, Budha Labhu Francis, Clifford John Francis Hewson, Joan Praks, Martin Joseph Derrick, Matthew Johnson, Elizabeth Grant-Parkinson, William Gallagher, Martin Derrick, John Foggart, Joseph M Collins, Sarah Brady, John Augustus Casey, Myles John Morris, Elizabeth Loughran, Peter John King, onica McCabe, Georgina Skyrme, Mary Mackin, Cecilia Mabel Newman, Edward Hughes, Margarita Patricia Daly, Cuthbert Anthony Marshall, Henry Connors, Francis Dewkes, Edward ewhorne, Mary Bridget Abel, Rattan Daniel Chand, Roy Obrien Alex George and Ladrack Williams.

**May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace**

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**CHURCH's Live-streaming WEBCAM :** [www.mcnmedia.tv](http://www.mcnmedia.tv)



**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

## Parish Notices

### Online donation to your Parish by Card:

I am pleased to inform you that the "Donate" page has now been created into our parish's website, making it easier for someone wanting to support the parish. You can also gift aided your donation made to St Elizabeth's parish via credit or debit card. Just log into:

[www.stelizabethcoventry.org.uk](http://www.stelizabethcoventry.org.uk) and move to "donate" section. **OR** via diocesan website online

Donation [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

Or if you prefer another option - you can download and using the standing order form on this diocesan website.

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/pages/FAQS/category/finance-resources> and send the forms to bank.

### Coventry Foleshill Food Bank information.

Unfortunately, Coventry's local distribution branch of Feeding Britain at Foleshill Community Centre, a food bank to help the most in need in our city, was broken into and robbed this week. This is devastating situation in already difficult times, especially

as the numbers of families depending on the food bank basic necessities has increased significantly now that many are out of work, off sick, or no longer receiving a Free School Meal a day. Roger Casements GAA Club has arranged a local

donation drop-off this weekend to help raise awareness and organise donations. **WHEN:** Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th May 2020. **WHERE:** Christ The King (carpark) - 14 Westhill Road, Coundon, CV6 2AA. **TIME:** 11am - 5pm (both days). **SAFETY:** We would like to emphasise that we will be adhering to

government guidelines at all times & social distancing rules will be in place. **REQUESTED ITEMS:** Standard non-perishable foods, sanitary products, nappies, wipes, baby milk, basic toiletries and cleaning products (e.g., washing up liquid & bleach). You can also donate directly to Feeding Coventry via

the Feeding Britain website. All donations pledged locally are spent locally. (<https://feedingbritain.org/donations/donate-to-feeding-coventry/>)

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions 5th Week of Easter Year A

<b>Sunday 10th May</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	Bernard Roberts R.I.P.	<b>5th Sunday Easter</b>
Mon. 11th	10:30am	Diwan Chand R.I.P.	
Tues. 12th	10:30am	Gerald Miller R.I.P.	
Wed. 13th	10:30am	Mary and Mick - Special Int. for family	
Thur. 14th	10:30am	Ann Louise Hobbs-Birthday Tara Hobbs-Birthday	<b>St. Matthias</b>
Fri. 15th	8:30am <b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Holy Hour (Private)</b> Samantha Ali - Birthday	
Sat. 16th	10:30am	Charlie Williams R.I.P.	
<b>Sunday 17th May</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	Mary and Mick - Special Int. for family	<b>6th Sunday of Easter</b>

**Other Live Broadcast's Prayers: Sisters.**  
**Holy Rosary (Live)** - Daily at 7:00pm except Friday  
*[Please get your Holy Rosary and join the sisters (only Virtual)]*



### Important Parish Website Links:

**Corona Virus (COVID-19) Updates:** <https://stelizabethcoventry.org.uk/category/latest-updates/>

**Parish Newsletters:** <https://stelizabethcoventry.org.uk/newsletters/>

**Archdiocese of Birmingham:** <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

### Exploring the faith together as a family - Resources)

<https://www.youcat.org/> - resource for all ages explaining the teachings of the Catholic Church. <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?>  
<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/youcat-daily/id1447116947?mt=8>

### Pray-as-You Go:

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/player/prayer%20tools/anexamenforthefamily>

**Divine Renovation** have produced a Parish Response Kit to the current situation that we are all in. It can be downloaded for free here: <https://divinerenovation.org/>

## 5th Sunday of Easter Yr. A

*First Reading: Acts 6: 1-7. Psalm: 32*  
*Second Reading: 1st Peter 2:4-9 Gospel: John 14:1-12*

### I am the Way.

The gospel passage of this Sunday is taken from the first of the three farewell speeches Jesus made during the Last Supper (Jn 14:17). Jesus seems to be dictating his last will before going to his passion and death; we may ask ourselves: why does the liturgy propose those farewell speeches for us to meditate upon after Easter? Simply because a will is read and executed only after the death of the one who has dictated it. These words are addressed to the disciples of all times and the best time to understand them is after Easter. Today's passage begins with a statement that can be understood easily: **"I am going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me"** (Jn 14:2-4). His time has come to heaven. He promises that once there, he will prepare a place for his disciples. You might not be totally satisfied with this explanation, first of all because we are sure that things in heaven have been readied a long time ago and also because we might not agree with the idea of numbered seats, corresponding to the various types and degrees of rewards awaiting each of us. The sentence means something quite different which is concrete and practical for us and for the life of our parish communities.

Jesus says, first, that he must travel along a difficult **"path"** and adds that his disciples should by now be well acquainted with this **"way"** since he has spoken often of it. Thomas however replies for all **"we do not know the 'way' and can't understand where you want to go."** Jesus explains how he must go first along this **"path"**; but once his mission is over, he will return and take with him his disciples and give them the courage to follow his steps. I think by now we have understood what this **"way"** is. It is a path leading to Easter, a difficult path, because it demands the giving up of one's life for others. Jesus had talked about it often before, but the disciples... preferred not to understand when he mentioned the **"giving up one's life."** We can now see more closely what he meant by **"there are many rooms in my Father's house,"** when we have accepted to follow the way of Jesus, we find ourselves in the house of the Father, that is, in the Christian community. It has many places, that is, many ministries of services, and many ways of using the gifts of one's life. The **"many rooms"** are nothing else than the **"different ministries"**, the different concrete situations where all of us have the possibility of using our capabilities in the service of one another. Jesus says that in doing one's ministry, one must not harbour sentiments of envy or jealousy; the **"rooms"** that is, the ministries or ways of serving our brothers and sisters are many and only one who hasn't yet been shaken by the newness of life that comes from the faith in the risen Lord can remain idle.

The place or room that Jesus is preparing is the one where we can best serve others. How many of the members of our parish community can be considered active members? And are there people among them who are not happy? The second part of today's gospel is centred on Philip's suggestion: **"Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied."** The answer of Jesus to Philip, clarifies an important truth: **"Nobody can see the Father, but then how can people come to know Him? It is easy, let them look at the Son, Jesus, who is the perfect image of the Father (Jn 14:9-11)"**. If we want to know God, we need to look at Christ, see what he loves, whom he prefers and goes with, where and with whom he takes his meals, how and whom he reprimands, and those He defends ... because this is what the Father does. In short: Jesus is the human face of God.

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

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