

Important Notices

Fundraising “Buy a Brick” Campaign 2020: ‘Buy a Brick’ campaign; for a £5 donation, you will have your name included in a specially printed thank you book inside the building once complete; and all donations £25 and above, will have their names written on a plaque or Bricks itself. A target of £5000 has been set and the progress shall be monitored regularly. You can use the newly created “DONATE” site on our parish website, and please make sure indicate it’s for “New Parish Hall”, or complete the Standing Order Form, or drop your cheque or money to the church or presbytery.

Public Mass has resumed - Please welcome to Mass

I am very pleased, and I am sure you too, that we have been given an opportunity to once again to celebrate Mass together in Church at St Elizabeth’s. Masses in a time of COVID 19 will be conducted differently than normal.

Holy Communion.

- ◆ Receive after final Blessing and end Mass (on Sunday only)
- ◆ Receive during normal communion time (on week day Mass only)
- ◆ Receive in silence by hand only
- ◆ Single file only, follow stewards directives
- ◆ You can leave after receiving communion

During Mass No

- ◆ Singing and Sign of peace
- ◆ Children liturgy and offertory procession
- ◆ Collection baskets
- ◆ Eucharistic ministers (first 2 weeks)
- ◆ Altar servers (first 2 weeks)
- ◆ Kneeling on pew’s kneelers - but only on the floor if you wish.

Stewards and Cleaners needed at each Mass

- ◆ Six (6) stewards available at each Mass to facilitate the movements of people.
- ◆ Sufficient number of cleaners required to thoroughly clean benches, surfaces and the Church after each Mass. Please help if you can. *Speak to Sr Joan or to Ann Harkin*

Death Anniversaries this Week: Francis Joseph McLaughlin, Patrick Treanor, Florence Mary Abbotts, Mary Philomena Srodon, Felix Gabriel Fox, Mary Delahunty, Mary Curran, Joseph Webb, Fredrick Murphy, Elizabeth Early, Eileen Mary Cassidy, Sarah Josephine Rowstron, Elizabeth Evelyn Elenor Swift, Denis James Donnelly, Eugenie Elizabeth, Patrick McCarthy, Mary Monaghan, Nora Keyes, Teresa Hart, John Edwin Turner, Elizabeth Walsh, Thomas Malia, Patrick Sullivan and Mary Kate Ivers. **May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace**

This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: **Registered Charity No: 234216**

CHURCH’s Live-streaming

<https://www.watchmcnmedia.tv/camera/st-elizabeth-church-coventry>



Apostles of Jesus Serves: St. Osburg’s St. Mary’s St. Elizabeth’s

St. Elizabeth’s Roman Catholic Church

Parish Priest: Rev Moses Pitya David. AJ.

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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 Alysya Embate

CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

Justice and Peace:

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

Parish Notices

Public Mass

You are most welcome and please be reminded that we are now operating under a reduced timetable as detailed below:

Mass Times

Wednesday and Saturday 9:15am

Friday 6:30pm.

Sunday 9:15am and 11:15am.

Saturday Confessions 9:45am — 10:20am

Please note that:

- ◆ We can only accommodate **140** people in a single Mass
- ◆ Please tell us what Sunday Mass you prefer (book it)
- ◆ You **must** wear face covering or a mask while in church
- ◆ Entrance is through the centre doors
- ◆ Sanitise hands on entering & exiting the church
- ◆ We operate on one-way system, please follow the signs.
- ◆ **Offertory collection - please put in a basket as you enter the Church, or after receiving communion, or as you go out of the church** (Don’t wait for any during mass)
- ◆ Please follow the directions of the stewards
- ◆ Benches marked available are for you to sit, if you are a household family of more than 3, occupy whole pew.
- ◆ Candles are available at Our Lady Chapel only.
- ◆ Please observe **1m Plus** social distancing all times
- ◆ If you attend Mass on Weekday- will also count for Sunday
- ◆ If you or any member of your household is unwell or have any symptoms of Covid-19, please stay safe at home.
- ◆ Toilets in church & parish hall all closed

Thank you very much for your understanding and pray safe. Fr Moses Pitya, AJ

Mass Times and Mass Intentions 15th Week of Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday 12th July

9:15am Justinamma Fernando &
Manuvalpillai Fernando R.I.P

11:15am Agnes Pearson R.I.P.

**Public Mass
15th Sunday
in Ordinary
Time**

Mon. 13th **No Mass** ———

Wed. 15th 9:15am Usha Rani-Birthday

Public Mass

Thur. 16th 9:15am Keethaponkalam

Virtual only

Fri. 17th 6:30pm Anthony Crooz R.I.P.

Public Mass

Sat. 18th 9:15am The Ashby Family Past &
Present

Public Mass

Sunday 19th July

9:15am Veronica Dixon R.I.P.

11:15am Consolata's Birthday-Special Int.

**Public Mass
16th Sunday
in Ordinary
Time**

Holy Rosary Live Broadcast's: By Sisters.

From now until further notice we shall only have livestream Rosary on:
Wednesday at 7:00pm.



Fundraising for the New Parish Hall - 2020

Nigerian Community **£630** French Speaking Community **£845**
Individual donations **£587** Harambee Pledges **£185**
Buy-A-Brick **£135** Bicycle-Ride **£120**

Total income for 2020 £4,629.24

Thank you very much for your generosity.

Important Parish Website Links: Parish Newsletters:

<https://stelizabethcoventry.org.uk/newsletters/> or

Archdiocese of Birmingham:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

15th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr. A

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11 Psalm: 64

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23; Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23 (13:1-9)

The Seed of Faith

Many of us love pilgrimages and visits to holy places/shrines: Holy Land, Lourdes, Rome etc ... to pray and perhaps to meet the divine. These pilgrimages are particularly good, and one is encouraged to take them. However, the truth is that we can still meet God in our houses or parish, in each one of us brother/sister, in a wife, a husband, partner or children.

The word of God comes to us through a proclamation, through the call to live good lives in a sinful, secularised world, through the call to love selflessly. *How do we receive it? Does the lure of more attractive but ultimately vain things of life choke the challenge of the word so that we produce nothing?*

Today's Gospel invites us to see how privileged we are to hear the word, to reflect on how well we receive it and how much fruit we bear. The parable is quite familiar to most of us. We know that the sower represents God, who takes the first step in planting the seed of faith in the hearts of human beings. This seed is a gift God bestows on us gratuitously. The seed of faith is a free gift from God – a blessing, a grace completely unmerited. It is God above all who puts the seed of faith in our hearts and effects a thorough transformation. But each person is free to accept or reject this blessing. In this parable, Jesus speaks of four responses to the sower's generosity. The seed on the path, represents one who lacks the moral disposition necessary for true conversion. He hears God's word without understanding it. And as birds feast on seeds, so does the devil snatch faith from this fickle heart. The second seed falls on rocky ground that has little soil. Here one may profess faith in the Lord, but such spirituality is as shallow as the superficial commitment. The third seed fails to grow because the thorns choke it to death. Here is one who cannot let go and let God rule his life. In his order of priorities, God does not rank very high. Prestige, power, possession, etc., take precedence. The fourth seed sprouts and produces a rich harvest. The word of God penetrates a person's entire being and permeates his whole existence. The yield is beautiful in love and compassion, in an honest and simple lifestyle, and concern for the dejected and the downtrodden.

Four seeds, one sower. Jesus describes the reality he sees in his time, and he may as well be talking about the reality in us too. Four different responses of men and women throughout the centuries. Through it all, the sower remains faithful. He patiently waits for our transformation from rocky and barren ground to fertile soil which will nurture the seed of faith that it may yield a harvest of total commitment.

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.**