

Important Notices

You are most welcome to Mass any day as advertised here:

Masses in a time of COVID 19 will be conducted differently than normal. Some guidelines

Holy Communion.

- ◆ Receive in silence by hand only
- ◆ Offertory: put your offerings in a Basket provided at entrance, exit or after communion in front of the Altar (Sanctuary)

During Mass No

- ◆ Offertory Collection baskets passing around
- ◆ Kneeling on pew's kneelers - but only on the floor if you wish.

Cleaners needed after each Mass

- ◆ Please remain in Church after communion if you want to help to clean the benches, surfaces and the Church after each Mass.
- ◆ Please remain in Church if you want to light a votive candle after communion

Please note that:

- ◆ We can only accommodate **140** people in a single Mass
- ◆ You **must** wear face covering or a mask while.
- ◆ Sanitise your hands on entering & exiting the church, We use one-way system.
- ◆ **Offertory collection - please put in a basket as you enter, or as you leave the church after communion**

Macmillan Nurses Biggest Coffee Morning in the World: Over the last eight years the Parish of St. Elizabeth's has raised a total of £3,733 for the Macmillan Nurses cancer charity at an average of £442 per year. This year, due to the pandemic, we will not be able to hold a real event with coffee, tea, raffle, cake and Bric A Brac....However, funds are needed more urgently than ever this year and it has been decided to hold a virtual event on the last Wednesday and Friday of September. If anyone would like to make a contribution either cash or cheque etc, a collection plate (s) will be positioned at the exits to the Church on Sunday **September 27th 2020** at both the 9:15am and 11:15am Masses. **OR** if you would prefer, give to Fr. Moses, the sisters or even Tony Ashby (Chair of Finance). Thank you, so much.

Death Anniversaries this Week: Mary Cahill, Jim Quigley, Martin Joseph Hastings, Isabella Clarke, Catherine Keating, Patrick Gavanagh, Patrick McMahon, John Kuunskas, Patrick Carroll, Fredrick Riley, Winifred Collins, Charles Cunningham, Susan Huhges, Ellaine Mary Costello, James Hughes, Charles Roberts, Mary T. Joyce Green, Walter Henry Moore, Michael Whelan, Jane O'Reilly, Mgr. Canon Leonard Emery P.P., William George Duffy, Patrick Carey, Martin Quigley, Alfred Linden, James Cecil Donnelly, Alice Maud Turley, Walter John Goody, Charles McKenna, Patrick Craig, Ellen Mary Newbold, Catherine Minogue, James McDonagh, William Cahill, Thomas McTigue, Maria Teresa Franczek, **R.I.P**

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

CHURCH's Live-streaming

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



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:

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

Parish Notices

The New Parish Hall: As we all know that the coronavirus pandemic has and continues to be a disaster to us all and especially to the world economy. It has affected hugely the project of our new parish hall which was scheduled for this summer, unfortunately, it won't happen due to Covid19. However, the planning is moving on smoothly edging towards stage 3 and stage 4. These are the last stages before the actual construction. I will be having several appointments with the Development and Technical Designers of these two stages soon, where your own inputs will be needed too.

St Elizabeth's New Hall Fund Box:

These Boxes are now available, please collect from the sisters. They are for anyone who would like to use them to raise funds for our New parish hall. The boxes are like the RED Mission Boxes where you put in any remaining change or (Coin) or cash. Please see the sample display on the Altar Rail. You are most welcome to take any of them, if you wish.

New Parish Hall Funding:

The Punjabi catholic community will be continuing with their fundraising initiative by selling plants/flowers at all Masses next weekend to raise fund for our new parish hall. The plants will be displayed outside Church in open air socially distant. The pricing will be according to each plant. If any body has any empty plant pots that they do not need, could donate to them for more plants. Thank you very much for supporting it last Sunday

Mass Times and Mass Intentions 22nd Week of Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday 30th Aug.	9:15am	Jessica Graham R.I.P. & Yvonne Elizabeth R.I.P	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
	11:15am	Hobbs and Family-Special Int.	
Mon. 31st	9:15am	Yvonne Elizabeth R.I.P	Virtual only
Wed. 2nd Sept	9:15am	Noel P. Whelan R.I.P.	Public Mass
Thur. 3rd	9:15am		Virtual only St. Gregory Great
Fri. 4th	6:30pm	James Hobbs and Family R.I.P.	Public Mass
Sat. 5th	9:15am	Peter Sanders R.I.P.	Public Mass
Sunday 6th Sept.	9:15am	Noel P. Whelan R.I.P	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
	11:15am	Paul Thaper, Asha and Baldev Family Thanksgiving	

Holy Rosary Live Broadcast's: By Sisters.

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



Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme:	£276.20
Non Gift Aid Scheme:	£210.91
New Parish Hall	£ 2.00

Total income for New Hall in 2020 £5,609.94

Thank you very much for your generosity.

Back to School: Schools open this week. I want to wish all the students, pupils and staff, a very happy return to class. Our two Parish schools - The Good Shepherd and St Elizabeth's are well prepared and ready to go. Thank you to Mr McConville and Mr Doyle, the staff and governors for their hard work and commitment. Wishing you all the best and success in this academic year 2020/2021.

22nd Sunday Ordinary Time Yr. A

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9; Psalm: 62 Second Reading:
Romans 12: 1-2 ; Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Carrying of Daily Cross

According to an old story, a professor wrote on the board the topic of an essay he wanted his class to write: "Is Life Worth Living?" One student's answer was just one line: "*It depends on the liver.*" His mark was an **A**.

How would we compose our essay on that question? Could it begin by saying: 'It depends on how the liver fulfils the requirements for discipleship that Jesus lays down in today's gospel, and it depends on how much thirst for God there is in our souls and how we try to satisfy that thirst?'

Recall last Sunday's gospel from this same chapter of Matthew: Jesus asks the apostles, "*Who do you say that I am?*" Peter answers: "*You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God!*" Jesus calls Peter "*blest,*" and promises to make him the rock foundation of his Church. He will endow Peter with all the powers that he himself possesses.

Today's gospel follows immediately. Jesus predicts his coming death and resurrection, and the same Peter tries to talk him out of it. Jesus' response is vehement: "*Get out of my sight, you satan!*" and then he lays down the conditions for discipleship: "*If a man wishes to follow in my footsteps....*"

There it is – the answer to the question, "*Is life worth living?*" Life will be worth living if we really try to take up our particular cross and carry it with the same love with which Jesus carried his. For Jesus, the cross meant embracing his Father's will, placing his life completely in his Father's care. We have to try, to do the same.

The cross means suffering in varying degrees. Each of us has his/her own suffering. The suffering of a teenager differs from that of a married couple. Just desiring to carry our cross makes us followers of Jesus and makes life worth living.

But taking up cross and following Christ, is also, filled with hope, and that hope is given us in the knowledge that sharing in Christ's cross means that we are also sharers in Christ's saving mission, we are co-redeemers with him. Paul's plea in reading two fits in with our theme: "*I beg you through the mercy of God to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice holy and acceptable to God, your spiritual worship. Do not confirm yourselves to this age, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, so that you may judge what is God's will, what is good, pleasing, and perfect.*"

But we must not forget the second condition for making life worth living.

Today's responsorial Psalm provides it: "*My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.*" This thirst, this desire for God, is planted deep in our hearts by the very God who created us in his own image and likeness. It is the echo of God's own thirst for us, for our love. Life is not worth living with it. "*My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God*" can be one of our finest, most productive prayers.

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.**