

Important Notices

Planning for Good Friday: Please book for the **3.00pm** Exultation of the Cross or **12:00 Midday** or **6:30pm** — Solemn Stations of the Cross. Booking has already started. Book through the stewards at the back of the Church or by email, text, or phone call to the Sisters. Please share the information in your social media, as well as with your friends and neighbours, who normally attend this service with us! We shall operate on First come, First Served bases.

Good Friday Services:

12:10PM: Stations of the Cross (Solemn). 3:00PM: Exultation of the Cross.

And 6:30PM: Stations of the Cross (Solemn).

Please choose only one of the above services & let us know before Palm Sunday.

Easter Celebrations:

 (NO Booking required to attend)

There will be three Masses at Easter.

Easter Vigil Mass Saturday 7:30pm No Baptism, No procession with Candles.

Easter Sunday early Mass 9:15am

Easter Sunday late morning 11:15am.

Covid-19 Vaccination Webinar: Thank you to all those who were able to attend this Covid-19 Panel Discussion with experts (Scientists and Doctors). Special thank you to the Zimbabwean Chaplaincy for the Webinar and especially getting for us the Medical experts who were really professionals. Over 150 people who attended went home encouraged and reassured of the vaccines and ready to receive it when offered. It was unfortunate that some people were busy at work and couldn't attend this very important topic (Covid-19 vaccine), its effect and safety.

Updates for 200 Club: Monthly membership is only £2 (Or £24 a year). Remember only adults are registered. Thank you all for supporting this scheme. Next draw Sunday 28th March after Mass. For more information Contact

Sr. Joan or Tony.

Death Anniversaries this Week: Keith Fretter, Edward Maher, John Noel Checkley, Baby Melvin Ndonga, Charles Bell, John McGinnity, Ann Best, Dawn Wardale, Marie (Mary) Lamb, Myles McHugh, Violet Rose Ford, Patrick James Boyle, Charles Hollyoak, John Wesley Armstrong, Kathleen Doyle, Ben Unis, Noel Fred Brolly and Antanas Linkevicius, **May their Souls Rest in Eternal Peace.**

Important Notice: From the **1st April** the anniversary list will be reduced to include only people who died not more than 5 Years ago. Please let me know in case you want the name (s) of your deceased relatives to remain in the anniversary list other than as indicated above. **Fr Moses**

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

Church's Live-streaming: www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry



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

Make an Act of Spiritual Communion

Please say this prayer whilst you watch Mass online or in Church if you are not receiving Communion:

"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You."

Confessions

Available every Saturday after 9:15am Mass, and also on Wednesday during LENT after 9:15am Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

The Holy Hour is every Saturday from **8:00am –9:00am** followed by Mass. A Good moment for a quiet and private prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Sacraments in 2021: Parish Schools.

Monday 28th June: Reconciliation at **6pm** for both schools.

Thursday 24th June : Confirmation at **7pm**-St. Elizabeth's.

Thursday 1st July: Confirmation at **7pm**-Good Shepherd.

Sunday 4th July: Holy Communion at **11am**- St. Elizabeth's.

Saturday 10th July: Holy Communion at **9:15am**– Good Shepherd.

Day of Reflection Tuesday 23rd March.

We have been encouraged to dedicate the above day as a day of prayer and reflection. Church will be open most of that day.

Prayer for our sick parishioners.

Please remember Mary Gallagher, Mick Breslin, Joe Peters and those who are nursing their illness privately.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions Lent Week 5 Year B

Sunday 21st March	9:15am Michael & Margaret Doherty R.I.P. & Special Intention	Public Mass 5th Sunday of Lent
Mon. 22nd	9:15am Frances Wright R.I.P	Virtual only
Tues. 23rd	9:15am Gerry Devine R.I.P 4:30pm Patrick McEneaney R.I.P	Public Mass Funeral Reception
Wed. 24th	1.15pm Patrick McEneaney R.I.P	Funeral Mass
Thur. 25th	9:15am	Virtual Only
Frida 26th	6:30pm Stations of the Cross & Mass	Public Mass
Sat. 27th	9:15am Veronica Dixon R.I.P (1st Anniv)	Public Mass
Sunday 28th March.	9:15am Special Intentions 11:15am Diwan Chand R.I.P	Palm Sunday Year B



Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme: £ 299.60 Non Gift Aid: £ 252.32

Statement from the Presidency of the

Bishops' Conference on the National Day of Reflection: COVID-19 Tuesday 23rd March.

We welcome the designation of Tuesday 23rd March as a National Day of Reflection to mark the anniversary of the first national lockdown with a minute's silence at midday and doorstep vigils of light at 8pm.

We ask you all to make this not only a Day of Reflection but also a Day of Prayer. In reflection we ponder on all that has taken place; in prayer we bring this to our Heavenly Father. For all who live by faith in God, reflection and prayer always go hand in hand. Prayer completes reflection. Reflection informs prayer. Prayer opens our life to its true horizon. Without prayer we live in a foreshortened world and are more easily swamped by its clamour and tragedy. Throughout this difficult year, so many have been inspired by prayer, so much effort sustained in prayer, in every place. **Continue...**

5th Sunday of Lent Year B

Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34. Psalm 50. Hebrew 5:7-9. John 12:20-33.

..... So, let us make the 23rd of March truly a day of prayer. March 2020 was the first time our churches had to be closed. It is our hope that on this day, every one of our churches will be open. We invite everyone to enter a church on this day, to reflect and pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. We know this will involve an extra effort, but this can be part of our important contribution to a significant moment in the life of our country. Indeed, we ask that you might invite a friend, neighbour, or colleague to come to church with you as you make this visit.

There is so much on which to reflect and include in our prayer.

We reflect in sorrow on all those who have died, whether family members, friends or those unknown to us personally. We pray for them, asking our Father to welcome them into their heavenly home, the destiny for which God first gave us the gift of life.

We reflect with compassion on all those who have suffered during this last year, whether through illness, stress, financial disaster, or family tensions. We pray for their ongoing resilience, courage, and capacity to forgive.

We reflect with thanksgiving for the generosity, inventiveness, self-sacrifice, and determination shown by so many in this most difficult of times. We pray for them, thanking God for their gifts and dedication, whether they are scientists, politicians, health workers, public servants of every kind, community leaders or steadfast family members and friends who continue to show such love and compassion.

We reflect in hope that, as the pandemic is controlled and we open up our lives again, we will gather in the lessons we have learned and build our society into a better shape, more compassionate, less marked by inequalities, more responsive to needs and deprivation. We ask for the inspiration of the Holy Spirit to guide and strengthen us in this endeavour, whether we are focussing on overcoming family breakdowns, economic recovery, or building political consensus.

Christian prayer is, of course, centred on Jesus Christ, the one who is "lifted up" before us "so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him" (John 3.13). We pray with Jesus, in him and through him, for he is the one who carries us, and our prayers, into the embracing presence of his Father. He is our comfort in sorrow, our strength in the face of need, our rejoicing in the gifts we celebrate and our hope in the face of the weighty darkness of death.

May Tuesday 23rd March be a great day of prayer that this pandemic comes to an end and that the gift of God's Holy Spirit will carry us all forward to a new and better life, both here and in the world to come.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols (President)

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP (Vice-President)

Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish:

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