

Important Notices

Second/Retiring Collection: Sunday 27th June: This retiring collection will be taken today for **"Peter Pence"** after receiving Holy Communion or blessing. Stewards will be there at exit doors to help.

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 this Sunday 27th after Mass. For more information contact. **Sr. Joan or Tony.**

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion: Please continue to pray for them.
Monday 28th June: First Reconciliation for Yr3s. at **6pm** for both schools in Church.
Sunday 4th July: Holy Communion at **12:30pm** - **St. Elizabeth's.**
Saturday 10th July: Holy Communion at **9:15am** – Good Shepherd

Congratulations! Year6. pupils from St Elizabeth's who received their Sacrament of Confirmation last Thursday from Fr Moses delegated by the Archbishop.

Easing of the restriction main points from June 21st.

The national guidelines.

- ◆ Continues use of hand sanitiser in church.
- ◆ Continues use of face covering or mask whilst in church.
- ◆ Cleansing of churches once a day except for frequent touch points.

Acts of Worship.

- ◆ Stewards required only for Sunday Mass and then only if there may be over subscription.
- ◆ Track and trace methods to continue with QR or manual writing.
- ◆ **Holy Communion** only one kind.
- ◆ **Offertory Collection** at it's proper time. Stewards will help with this.
- ◆ **Funerals** - 50 people only in our church.
- ◆ **Parish social activities** - may resume subject to latest government guidance.
- ◆ **Catechetical group/Youth/Prayer Groups** - permitted.
- ◆ If an activity is organised by a *group or a body* which takes responsibility for Covid-security, then it is permitted to hold events up to the socially-distanced capacity of the room provided steps are taken to ensure that there are groups of no more than 6 or two families and no mixing between those groups.
- ◆ Please note that there is no such relaxation for purely social events organised by an *individual*. The rule is the same as for domestic settings - no more than 6 or two family groups indoors or 30 outdoors. There is no provision for multiple groups.

Please pray for The Sick and Housebound of our Parish: Caroline Dickinson, Dina Kuczynski, Mary Kean, Mary Gallagher, Rohith De Silva, Joe Peters, Julian and Martine. **Get Well Soon.**

Death Anniversaries this Week: Mary T Slater, Christina P Judge, Peter Reynolds and Stanley D Wytryjowski. **May they rest in eternal Peace.**

Important Notice: Please contact **Fr Moses** if you would like to add names.

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

Parish Priest: Rev Moses Pitya David. AJ.

Office Contacts: The Presbytery, 63, St. Elizabeth's Road, Coventry CV6 5BX

Tel: 024 76688536. **Email:** stelizabeth.covty@rcaob.org.uk . **Website:** WWW. steliza-bethcoventry.org.uk. Webcam www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry

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

New Parish Hall Project.

Following the application to AGCF, the visit from Nigel Machin and the recent Trustee meeting of the GUBAY Foundations; I am pleased to let you know that the 'Foundation' has agreed to award us a grant of **£300,000** towards our new parish Centre. This is incredibly good news we have been waiting for quite a while. But this is still a little way to go to secure the remaining funding. However, along with the £100,000 committed from the Diocese, means that we are nearly there to the finish line.

What is Next? We have arranged for a Zoom meeting with all the stakeholders on 21st July to look at the project, to see what we need to do to move the project forward, and to get estimated dates etc. to answer the queries from the funder:

- **Date tenders will go out,**
- **Date contractor will be appointed,**
- **Date contractor will start,**
- **Date of practical completion**

What can we do as a parish? We know that the overall cost of the project is about £600,000 and with £400,000 secured, we need to renew our fundraising efforts to meet part of the remaining amount. We are sending more applications out for smaller grants, and hope they will be positive too. Perhaps what we need to do as a parish is to continue with our fundraising effort and not to be scared off because of the amount it is going to cost to build. We are all aware that nothing is cheap now days. If you need a parish centre that meets the standard of our modern time, then, I am afraid, that is it. So, I encourage you to carry on with fundraising whenever possible, through donations by individual or local communities, gift aid scheme, buy-a-brick, P boxes etc.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 13 Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 27th June	9:15am	Edward Doherty R.I.P.	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. B
	11:15am	Keeth Ponkalam R.I.P	
Mon. 28th	9:15am	Special Intention	Public Mass St. Irenaeus
Tue. 29th	9:15am	With school Children	Holiday of Obligation Ss. Peter & Paul
	6:30pm	Parish community	
Wed. 30th	9:15am	Jimmy Roche R.I.P.	Public Mass
Thur. 1st July	9:15am	Priests' intention	Virtual Mass
	7:00pm	Confirmation Mass for Yr. 6 - GS.	
Friday 2nd	6:30pm		Public Mass
Sat. 3rd	8:00am	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament	Holy Hour Public Mass
	9:15am	.	
	9:15am	Ashby Family Past & Present	
Sunday 4th July	11:15am	Josie O'Neill R.I.P.	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr. B
	12:30pm	First Holy Communion Mass	

Weekly Offertory and Collections

Gift Aid Scheme: **£663.00** Non Gift Aid: **£333.68**

New Parish Hall : **£100.00** Day for Life: **£80.28**

“Buy a Brick”: The Parish Community Hall Fundraising Committee, are relaunching this campaign with the aim of raising £2,500. Please pick up a leaflet at the back of church where the stewards are and support the initiative. Hopefully, as we get back to normal, the project of our new hall will also pick up the momentum, and shall be allowed a social gathering.

Sacrament of Confirmation: The year 6 pupils and Candidates for Confirmation from Good Shepherd Primary School, will be Confirmed by the Parish Priest, Fr Moses P David, on behalf, of Bishop William, this **Thursday July 1st at 7.00pm**. Please continue to remember them in your prayers. Congratulations to them in advance.

Sacrament of the Holy Communion: The pupils from St Elizabeth's Pr. School, the Yr. 3, & a few from Yr. 4, will be receiving Jesus for the very first time in the Holy Communion next Sunday. Their special Mass will be at 12:30pm. Please continue to remember children and their parents in your prayers.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Readings: Wisdom 1: 13-15; 2:23-24; Ps. 29; 2 Cor. 8: 7,9,13-15; Mk. 5:21-43

Do not Fear, only Believe!

Two friends were once going swimming when they began discussing religion. Just as they were going into the sea, one said to the other, ***"What wouldn't I give to find faith!"*** ***"How much do you want it?"*** asked the friend. ***"Oh, very much indeed,"*** replied the seeker. To his amazement, his friend suddenly seized him and pressed his head under water, and in spite of his struggles, held him there till he was nearly suffocated. When at last he released the grip and his victim could stand up and breathe again, he demanded to know what he meant by this. ***"What did you want most in this world just now?"*** asked his friend. ***"Why, air, of course,"*** said the seeker. ***"Well,"*** was the response, ***"when you want faith as much as you wanted air just then, you will find it."***

What motivated the two persons – Jairus and the woman suffering from haemorrhage - to go to Jesus in their desperation? It was their firm faith in the power of Jesus. The gospel tells us that, as a ruler of the synagogue, Jairus was one of the most important and respected men in the country. The person of Jairus reveals two things worthy of reflection, among others.

First, he was a man with an open mind and spirit. When all possible roads had been closed, he was ready to experiment with something new. He knew that even though nobody was able to help, perhaps Jesus could help him. We should never lose sight of the many obstacles which stood in the way of Jairus' coming and kneeling to make his bold prayer. He was the ruler of the synagogue and had to cast aside his rank, pride, and prestige, in falling at the feet of an unauthorised, young, itinerant teacher. But he dared open his mind to the new possibility, and the divine power at work in the person of Jesus. Therefore, he made the venture of faith. What a contrast Jairus provides to the normal human attitudes! Many come to Jesus with an inflated ego, with prestige, learning and position - attitudes. Across the years, the kneeling Jairus says persuasively: Keep your mind open. See and venture. Let Jesus bring health and wholeness into your life.

Second, Jairus besought Jesus, saying, ***"My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her so that she may be made well and live."*** What a tremendous affirmation of faith! It was a clear indication of a father's love for his child and of his sense of need. But those words also carry valid and arresting suggestions of the eternal truth that whatever Jesus lays his hands upon lives. History bears ample proof for this amazing fact: Jesus laid his hands on Saul, the fierce persecutor, and he was transformed into the most zealous apostle, Paul. He laid his hands on an evil, accursed thing, a cross; and it lived. Likewise, if we humbly beg Jesus to lay his hands on our families, will they not experience a new life? Our economic systems – though motivated by greed and profit-making – if Christ is allowed to lay his hands upon them, if they are brought under his rule of brotherhood, will they not live?

Today, how many millions are spiritually sick and dying, who have not the faith, humility and confidence of Jairus to cast themselves at the feet of Jesus and ask him to cure them? If only they would, like the suffering woman, push their way towards Christ through the throng of worldly pride, worldly interests and worldly pleasures and say to him, ***"Come, Lord, and lay your hands upon me so that I may be made well and live."***