

## Important Notices

**Updates for 200 Club:** Monthly membership is only £2 (Or £24 a year). Remember only adults are registered. **Winners: No 5: £35, No 2: £25 & No 25: £10. Parish £70.** Thank you all for supporting this scheme. Next draw is Sunday 27th after Mass. Contact. **Sr. Joan or Tony.**

**St Joseph's Care Home.:** Situated in the beautiful surroundings of rural Warwickshire, St Joseph's Care Home offers a range of personalised services including residential care, specialised dementia care and short-term respite care in a friendly welcoming environment. With a dedicated and compassionate staff team who are passionate about making residents safe and happy in an environment that is just how home feels. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered and would be interested in more information or to book a virtual tour then please quote SJ1 and contact Care Home Manager Shelley Perryman on 01675 434559, email shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk or visit our website at [www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk](http://www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk).

### 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, Mr/Mrs Peters, Julian and Martine. **Get Well Soon.**

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** James Freeman, Samuel Lafferty, Thomas Quinney and Michael Curley. **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](http://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry)



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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 Wafula

#### 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.

**What is Next?** We have arranged for a Zoom meeting with all the stakeholders on 21<sup>st</sup> 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 need to raise more fund to add on to the £400,000 already secured. As a parish we need to continue with our own fundraising effort and not to be scared off because of the amount it is going to cost to build. I am pleased to let you know that last week, we have already received donations from individual parishioners totally to nearly £1,500. As we move on, I am sure, more will come. Thank you.

**Applying for more grants:** One application for small grant was submitted last week through the diocesan's fundraising office, and awaiting its result.

**A project site visit meeting:** has been agreed on 6th August with stakeholders and **Allchurches Trust**, a potential co-funder for the project. Paul Playford who is representing the organisation has agreed to visit the site before we submit a formal grant application. This will be our opportunity once again to talk through our plans and to ascertain what level of funding support might be available for us.

If we can secure something from these grants, then that will give us more guarantee of building a better and standard parish centre for our community and ease some of our anxieties, especially that of entering into any debt.

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 14 Ordinary Time Year B

<b>Sunday</b> 4th July	9:15am	Ashby Family Past & Present	<b>14th Sunday</b> <b>in Ordinary</b> <b>Time Yr. B</b>
	11:15am	Josie O'Neill R.I.P.	
	12:30pm	<b>First Holy Communion</b> <b>Mass St. Elizabeth's School</b>	
Mon. 5th	9:15am		<b>Public Mass</b>
Wed. 7th	9:15am	Jimmy Roche R.I.P.	<b>Public Mass</b>
Thur. 8th	9:15am	Mick Breslin R.I.P.	<b>School Children</b>
Friday 9th	6:30pm	Frances Wright R.I.P.	<b>Public Mass</b>
Sat. 10th	9:15am	<b>First Holy Communion</b> <b>Good Shepherd School</b>	<b>Public Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 11th July	9:15am	Noel Whelan R.I.P. Mary Srodon R.I.P.	<b>15th Sunday</b> <b>in Ordinary</b> <b>Time Yr. B</b>
	11:15am	Manuvalpillai Fernando and Justeenamma Fernando R.I.P.	

### Weekly Offertory and Collections

**Gift Aid Scheme: £329.70 Non Gift Aid: £328.04**

**New Parish Hall Donation: £1000.00**

**Peters Pence: £65.35 200 Club: £70**

**"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.

**First Holy Communion Reception:** The Yr3 & Yr4 children from **St Elizabeth's RC Primary** will be receiving their First Holy Communion this Sunday - during special Mass at 12:30pm. The Yr3 from **The Good Shepherd RC Primary** will be receiving their First Holy Communion next Saturday at 9:15am Mass. Please continue to remember children and their parents in your prayers.

**Congratulations!** Year 6. pupils from **Good Shepherd School** who received their Sacrament of Confirmation last Thursday night from Fr Moses.

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

**Readings: Ezekiel 2: 2-5; Ps. 122; 2 Cor. 12: 7-10; Mk. 6:1-6**

### Need and Faith!

Adam and Eve rejected God. This sin was the source of the giant river of evil flowing through human history, a stream to which we all make our personal contribution.

Today we see original sin re-enacted in God's commissioning of Ezekiel and, above all, in the Nazarenes' rejection of Jesus. "*They took offence at him*" Jesus was "*scandal*", a stumbling block, to them. Luke tells us that they even wanted to kill him. Why? Perhaps because they believe that no good could come out of Nazareth. They may have found him too ordinary. "*Isn't this the carpenter's son?*" They lacked faith, not only in Jesus, but also in themselves. But most of all, they saw him as a threat to their old way of life. They were satisfied with what they had. They did not trust God enough to believe that this companion of theirs could possibly have anything new or original to say to them. So much did their lack of faith, distress Jesus that, apart from healing a few who were sick, "*he could work no miracle there.*" Jesus was always responsive to need and faith. He did not find faith and need in his hometown. So, he left, and there is no record in the Gospels that he ever went back. Jesus was also human. He must have been terribly hurt by this rejection, for it was also a rejection of his Father.

What is all this to us? We probably do not do anything as openly offensive as what the Nazarenes did to Jesus. But we just take him for granted. We ignore him or his teaching, e.g. about the need to love and care for one another. Or like the Nazarenes, we may be satisfied with ourselves and our old way of life, our never-changing routine. There is nothing more detrimental to a genuine, loving relationship with Jesus than mindless, loveless routine. We do not see our religious practice and way of life as a process of growth and development – understanding the mystery of God and of the Church. Life does not stand still. We all have a past, present, and a future, and so, the Church too. We must learn from our history and cherish traditions, but we cannot freeze them. Equalling, we can't dwell in the past; the only past event we can make present again is the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, which takes place in every Holy Mass. God's creation is always in the process of development, of never-ending new discoveries. So, too, the Church. It is in a process of constant change and progress, yet it will always remain the Church of Christ. What is essential is the sacraments especially eucharist. The Church will always be the body of Christ into which we were baptised. The Church is a living organism, and we live and grow with and in it. There are some married couples who are the loneliest in the world. They may live under the same roof, eat, and sleep together, but they never get to know each other. They take each other for granted, never communicate. Their lives follow a deadly routine that they never allow to be broken. But there are others because of their loving communication, care, and understanding live happy and joyful marriage.

Likewise, our relationships with Jesus has to grow through conversion (prayer), holy reading, and constant openness to his goodness, beauty, and love. The Lord invites us: "*Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says Jesus.*"