

Dates for your Dairy
Second Collection this Weekend.

Apostles of Jesus Mission Appeal today First Advent Sunday. Please support Apostles of Jesus in the SECOND Collection, so that they can train more priests.

Contactless machine: available at the back of the church for offertory & donations.

Families Harvest Day on the Feast of Christ the King. We raised **£1063** all towards our NPH. Thank you for joining us at this mass.

Crib Blessing in Coventry City Centre 1st December 4.00pm: Will take place at the usual place. You are all invited to join other parishes and celebrate.

New Lectionary training for All Church's Readers Sat 7th December 1:30pm: Training will be provided to all our readers here in Church. This training is very important, please come if you are still interested in taking readings in Church, especially all the Young Readers. *New lectionary with New beginning!*

First Holy Communion Preparation. Welcome to all yr 3s from our parish schools - Good Shepherd and St Elizabeth's, their families, schools and friends. We pray that they may prepare well for FHC.

The children in None Catholic schools who need FHC are invited to begin lessons for FHC on Saturday 7th December at 11.00am-12.00pm in Church.

Christmas Preparation: There will be training for Altar Servers every Friday during Advent at 4.00pm with Fr Moses starting Friday 13th December in preparation for Christmas.

Tuesday 5th December: Tea and Chat From 2-4pm at St. Elizabeth's Church.

Advent Parish Confessions: Friday 20th December at 6:30pm Christmas preparation

Fr Augustine AJ: Our warm welcome to Fr Augustine Idra, a Provisional Superior of the Apostles of Jesus in the United States of America. He is here only for two days.

Retreat Days for Readers: Sat 25th January 2025 at 9:30am – 1pm St Thomas More.

Retreat Day for Eucharistic Ministers: Sat March 22nd at 9:30am – 1Pm St Osburg's.

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2024 Diary.

Sunday 8th December: For the Poor Parishes Fund.

Sunday 15th December: Flowers - for Church Christmas Decorations.

Sunday 22nd December: Flowers - for Church Christmas Decorations.

Sunday 29th December: NO SECOND Collection.

The Sacraments School/Parish 2025 Diary.

Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Sunday 16th March 2025 both Masses.

First Communion: Good Shepherd School Saturday 10th May 2025 @9:30am

First Holy Communion: St Elizabeth's Sunday 22nd June 2025 @11:15am

First Confessions Yr.3: Thursday 13th March @ 6:30pm Church.

Pray for the Sick: Mary Kean, Rohith De Silva, Joe Peters, Tony Ashby, Susan Nahar, Vincent McKee, Richard Fernandes, Eddy Ryan & Rosy Prudent. **Get Well Soon.**

Death Anniversaries this Week: Usha Rani, Margaret Bridgett Hoban, John Anthony Quigley, John Hastings, Nancy Anne King and Christopher Torley. **Rest in Eternal Peace.**

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

My Donation to the Parish Online follow link here: <https://stelizabethcoventry.org.uk/giving/> Livestreaming: <https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry>



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<https://donatemydona.com/st-elizabeth-church-coventry>.

Parish Schools (Heads)

St. Elizabeth's

Mr Michael Doyle

Good Shepherd

Mr Andy McConville

Parish Church

Co-ordinators:

Parish Office

Sr Joan Wafula

Parish Maintenance

Gerald Ani

First Communion.

Mrs S Moran

Health & Safety, RCIA & Sacristan

Miss Ann Harkin

Church Flowers

Mr Richard Swift

Safeguarding Officer & Church Music/Liturgy

Miss Laura Srodon

(Solicitor)

Women of Faith Chair

& Secretary.

Annette Ndikoum and

Bancy Waithera

Chair of Parish Finance

and Gift Aid Scheme

Mr Stan Mileswki

Altar Servers

Sr Joan and

Alaysa Embate

Justice and Peace

CAFOD/SVP

Maria Paseka

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

Apostles of Jesus Mission Appeal today First Advent Sunday:



Mission appeal on behalf of the Apostles of Jesus will be carried out in support of their missions in the world and especially for the training of the priests. The archbishop has given the Apostles of Jesus permission to make this two annual mission appeals in all the parishes where Apostles of Jesus priests are serving in the Archdiocese. Please support Apostles of Jesus Missionaries to train more priest. Thank you.

Formation of Parish Pastoral Council.

Thank you to all those who were able to contribute with nomination of the candidates to our PPC. We have got the people whom we think would be able to form our first ever parish pastoral council. Father will send a letter of invitation soon for introductory meeting pencilled in for Friday 13th December at 7:15pm. Just to remind parishioners that the purpose of this council is to help bring about the mission and vision of the parish and to support the priest in implementing it.

Christmas Bazaar Appeal: As we approach the Christmas, we are excited to announce our upcoming Christmas Bazaar with Good Shepherd Catholic Primary school on Tuesday 10th December starting afternoon at Good Shepherd school premises. This event aims to bring our community together and raise funds for the parish too. We are reaching out to request your support in the form of gift items that can be donated for our bazaar. These items will not only enhance the festive spirit but also help us raise much-needed funds for our new hall. Donations includes - *Bottle Stall, handmade crafts, gift baskets, handbags, toys, and many more.* Your generous contribution will make a significant impact and help us achieve our fundraising goals. Thank you for your support.

Mass Times and Mass Intentions: First Week of Advent Year C

Sunday 1st Dec.	9:15am Lena, George, John Harkin R.I.P Special Intention	1st Sunday Advent Yr. C 
	11:15am Family Special Intentions	
Mon 2nd	9:15am Barry Leedham R.I.P.	Francis Xavier
Wed 4th	9:15am Mary Beesley – Sp. Int. 12:45pm Gerald Michael Cassidy R.I.P	Advent Funeral Service
Thu. 5th	9:15am Natividad Bauzon R.I.P. Otto Jaime de Zouza R.I.P.	Advent
Fri. 6th	6:30pm Holy Souls	Advent
	8:00am Holy Hour of Adoration	St Ambrose
Sat 7th	9:15am Marvyn Haywood R.I.P.	
Sunday 8th Dec.	9:15am Leonard Pearson R.I.P. Special Intention	2nd Sunday Advent Yr. C 
	11:15am Paul Cannot R.I.P.	

Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£395** Non Gift Aid: **£208**.

Catholic Youth Service: **£126.38**. Online Dona Offerings: **£119**.

October Standing Order Total **£281**. Thank You.

School Mass with Yr.3: Next Sunday we shall have mass of commitment for the First Holy Communion at 9:15am. Welcome to all yr 3s & their parents & schools to the church.

Holy Hour of Prayer and Adoration: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Every Saturday from **8:00am**. Followed by Mass. Priest available for confessions.

Prayer of Adoration and Blessing: Every First Thursday of each Month in Church from **7-8pm**. Every one is welcome.

Youth Mass: Every Last Sunday of each Month. On **29th December** at 11:15am Mass

Pope's prayer Intention October: For anyone who has lost a child. We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

Church Cleaning Groups: Church cleaning Teams of 4 cleaners. Group A Sr Joan & Alter Servers/Parents. Group C Women of Faith, Teresia & Philippa. Group D Violeta. Group D Punjabi Rosary Group.

Church's Cleaners this Week: Group A. Sr. Joan & Altar servers/Parents

Parish Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Laura Srodon. She can be contacted at: sg.stelizabeth.covty@rcaob.org.uk or Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

First Sunday of Advent Year C

Readings: Jer. 33:14-16; Ps.25; 1st Thessalonians 3:12-4:2; Lk. 21:25-28, 34-36

Don't Fear, Trust in Him!

Have you ever been so worried about something that was about to happen that you found it difficult to think about anything else? You may even have begun to have sleepless nights over it. Maybe it was a family event, your wedding day, important job interview, or your meeting with someone you had fallen out with years before. Then when the actual day arrives things seem to go smoothly and all is well. At the end of the day you sit back and think, "Why did I worry so much?" Of course there are times when we have been concerned about something in the future and it doesn't work out smoothly. But even then it doesn't tend to be as bad as the worst-case scenarios we play through our heads. There is a tendency to want to know how things will turn out in the end. If we know what will happen we can take control of our lives and set things up so that we remain in control.

As we begin anew Liturgical Year this Advent, we focus our attention to the future coming of Lord, remaining conscious and alert about now in our personal life. There are people whose lives are dominated by fear. There are nations in tumult such as Sudan, Ukraine-Russia, Gaza, Lebanon-Israel e.g. There are signs in sun, moon and stars testifying to the consequences of our actions. Yet, it is in the midst of these situations that Jesus tells us to be confident, to stand erect, lift our heads high - to focus on the one who comes with liberation and freedom.

The two cardinal points around which the whole mystery of the Church and every Christian revolves are the **Incarnation** and the **Resurrection** of Christ. These two are the principal events in the Church liturgical Year, around which it revolves as a door on its hinges. All the other feasts and celebrations of the Church during the year are either directed to or flow from these two focal points. During liturgical year, the Church invites us, her children, day by day, week by week, to the table of the Word and of the Eucharist to be fed and nourished.

The liturgical Seasons of Advent reminds us of our identity as people of hope, people waiting for the Second Coming of Christ. This season is an open invitation to all Christians to live lives with a yearning to meet Christ at his Second Coming. This would mean readiness to face all sorts of painful and disappointing realities of life with unshakable hope in the 'beyond' – His Second Coming.

When Christ becomes the foundation and destiny of our life, our faith in the coming of the Lord can be an inspiration beyond any comparison. If we believe in Christ, we will have inexhaustible energy to live in Christ even in the face of frustrating situations and it will help us to hope against hope. For all Christians, then, the season of Advent is a call to become living witnesses of hope and encouragement to those imprisoned in cells of frustration and disappointment. This season invites us to become lighthouses for those who have lost direction in life. When we live our lives in this manner, we will be able to welcome the day of the Lord as those waiting for the bridegroom. Their ardent cry is Maranatha, Come, Lord Jesus!