

Dates for your Dairy

Second Collection this Weekend.

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

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

The Jubilee Year 2025. 'Pilgrims of Hope' The Jubilee of Hope is fast approaching, The Jubilee Year will run from the opening of the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica in Rome, on Tuesday 24 December 2024 by Pope Francis offering the world's 1.3 billion Catholics the possibility of obtaining a plenary indulgence and a year of special graces. Archbishop Bernard is set to celebrate Mass for the Solemn Opening of the Year, at St Chad's Cathedral on Sunday 29 December 2024. The Jubilee of Hope will end on the Feast of Epiphany in 2026. the concept of Jubilee or Holy Year has been used by the Church to proclaim special years for forgiveness and reconciliation. Booklets are available in church for you to take.

Commissioning of Lectors/Readers: Our parish readers will be commissioned this Sunday 22nd December and also on the solemnity of the Epiphany 5th January in both Masses. Once commissioned, they will become our official readers in the parish. If you are one please make sure don't miss it.

Youth Mass: The last Youth Mass for this year will be on **29th December** at 11:15am Mass. Thank you for supporting our young people of the parish.

Altar Servers: Thank you for attending the training. If you are planning to serve Christmas Mass, please be in Church 20 Minutes to prepare yourself and altar ready for Mass. Wish you all very happy Christmas.

Christmas Bazaar Appeal & Christmas Carol Service. Thank you for your support to these two events. We raised £190 plus. Wish you all Merry Christmas.

Deanery Events.

Retreat Days for Readers: Sat 25th January 2025 at 9:30am – 1pm .St Osburg's.

Retreat Day for Eucharistic Ministers: Sat March 22nd at 9:30am – 1Pm St Thomas More

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2024 Diary.

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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, Richard Fernandes, Eddy Ryan & Rosy Prudent. **Get Well Soon.**

Death Anniversaries this Week: Mary Sheppard, Nanti Devi, Rev. Anthony Ireland and Patrick Jennings. **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/Liturg**

Miss Laura Srodon

(Solicitor)

**Women of Faith Chair
& Secretary.**

Annette Ndikoum and

Bancy Waithera

**Chair of Parish Finance
and Gift Aid Scheme**

Mr Stan Milescki

Altar Servers

Sr Joan and

Alaysa Embate

Justice and Peace

CAFOD/SVP

Maria Paseka

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

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The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Saturday 24th-30th

May 2025: Pilgrimage bookings are now open Official Diocesan Pilgrims To travel with the pilgrimage from start to finish, you can book your

flight or coach, plus preferred hotel via our tour operator Tangney Tours. Birmingham Lourdes Pilgrimage by Air 6 nights from £1,027pp including flights, accommodation and meals. Birmingham Lourdes Pilgrimage by Coach 5 nights from £776pp, including transport, accommodation and meals. www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes.

Coventry Open Christmas: Its that time of the year when we think of others less fortunate than ourselves. For the week over the Christmas period people who are homeless, rough sleepers, and anyone who is lonely over Christmas will be able to enjoy Christmas with all the trimmings. There will be a box at the back of our church and I am appealing for items such as any tinned food beans, soup, tinned vegetables, dried food such as pasta, rice, tea, coffee, hot chocolate, toiletries i.e deodorants shampoo, tooth paste, perfume for men and women. Warm clothing hats, scarves, socks, coats, bedding, sleeping bags. But please no fresh food. Once again thank you on behalf of Coventry Open Christmas we couldn't do this without your help. If you wish to donate any money please go online at www.coventryopenchristmas or give the money to Fr. Moses who will pass this to us. God bless you all. **Maria.**

Rejoice **Glory**
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OF CHRISTMAS

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

Sunday 22nd Dec.	9:15am	Bronislaw, Mary, Paul Srodon R.I.P Happy & Jasmine Sp. Intention	4th Sunday Advent Yr. C 
	11:15am	Aijack & Nicholas - Thanksgiving Farayi & Tendoyi - Birthday	
Mon 23rd	9:15am	Jimmy Miller R.I.P	Advent
Tues 24th Christmas Eve	5:30pm 6:00pm <i>Mass</i> Midnight Mass at Midnight	Christmas Carol Singing Julian Ndu'ngu-Birthday Kathleen Darragh R.I.P.	Christmas Eve
Wed 25th Christmas Day	9:15am 11:15am	Lena, George and John Harkin & Mick Breslin. Kathleen and Stanley Jenkins R.I.P.	Christmas Day
Thu. 26th	9:15am	Kathleen Barr - Special Intention Patrick Jennings R.I.P	St. Stephen
Fri. 27th	6:30pm	Holy Souls	St. John
Sat 28th	8:00am 9:15am	Holy Hour of Adoration Lena, George & John Harkin R.I.P.	Holy Innocents
Sunday 29th Dec.	9:15am 11:15am	Tracy Miller R.I.P. Special Intention Happy and Family-Thanksgiving Munashe Motsi-Thanksgiving	Holy Family 

Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£349** Non Gift Aid: **£268**. **DONA QR code**
Church Flowers **£124.36**. Dona Offerings: **£52** November Standing Order
Total **£342**. Thank You.



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 December: For pilgrims of hope. We pray that this Jubilee Year may strengthen our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

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

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.

Fourth Sunday of Advent Year C

Readings: Mica 5:2-5; Ps.80; Hebrews10:5-10; Lk. 1:39-45



The Visitation.

Amazing progress has taken place in our human ability to view the unborn child as it develops in the mother's womb. From a certain stage in her baby's growth, a mother has always been able to feel the child moving inside her. Fathers too have been able to place a hand on their wife's stomach and feel their child as it kicks and jumps. However, ultrasound technology has revolutionised how people understand and think about human life in the womb. Now, rather than just feeling their child move, a mother and father can actually see it. They can watch as it sucks its thumb, as it turns and stretches and even summersaults inside mother's womb. That's incredible. We now know that much more is going on in the womb than we previously imagined.

The meeting between Mary and Elizabeth, as told to us by St Luke, is often referred to as the Visitation. But more is going on than just one expectant mother visiting another. Both women have been caught up into God's plan to send his Son into the world. Both women are pregnant. Mary carries the unborn Christ-child in her womb; Elizabeth carries John the Baptist, the one who will announce his coming. Here, two women meet, and both of their lives have been touched in different ways by the Holy Spirit. They are crucial to God becoming Emmanuel, to God dwelling among us as one who is truly like us. Yet, as well as two mothers encountering each other in this act of visitation, two unborn children also encounter each other. When Mary greets Elizabeth, the child in Elizabeth's womb leaps for joy. Both she and her unborn child know they are in the presence of God. Jesus is there among them, hidden in Mary's womb. Mary is blessed because she is pregnant with the Saviour of the World. Elizabeth rightly calls her the mother of the Lord; the fruit of her womb is the one who will take away the sins of the world. God had promised to be close to his people. In becoming one flesh with us, Jesus fulfils that promise. Very soon we shall be placing the child Jesus in the manger of our Christmas cribs. The figure of that tiny baby reminds us that God has not only blessed us by creating us, but also chose to become one with us. God can work through human lives and make them extraordinary. Mary and Elizabeth had faith to believe God's promises; they were prepared to trust God's word.

The visitation is more than a nice story. It's an invitation to deepen our faith and trust in God's love. It's a call to recognise the presence of Christ in the people we meet and to allow Christ to shine through our often-fragile human lives. Mary and Elizabeth were unique in what God asked of them. We too have a unique calling. As someone once said, we are all meant to be mothers of God, because Jesus needs to be continually born in our lives.

