

## Dates for your Diary

### Second Collection this Weekend.

**Sunday 2nd February:** There will be a SECOND Collection taken for Pro Life Charity. **Contactless machine:** available at the back of the church for offertory & donations.

**Tuesday 4th February Tea and Chat:** in the Lady Chapel From 2-4pm. Please all are welcome.

**Sunday 9th February:** There will be a Mission Appeal by the Missionary Society of St. Paul.

**Tuesday 18th February Coventry Deanery Young Adults Group:** Meeting at St Osburg's on 18<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm.

**Recycling project:** This is at the back of the Church for anyone who has **stamps, postcards, mobile phones, games consoles, Old and worn-out jewellery, foreign currency** - then please place them in the box. The money we receive will go towards the church's Fund. Thank You.

**Thank you for supporting the 200 Club:** . Monthly membership is only £2. (Or £24 a year). Remember all adults are welcome. For more information please Contact Sister Joan or Tony Ashby. The winning numbers were **41**, £25, 6, £15, and **54**, £10. Next draw will be on Sunday 23rd. Thank you very much.

### Deanery Events.

**Retreat Day for Eucharistic Ministers:** Sat March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30am 1Pm St Thomas More.

### The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2025 Diary.

**Sunday 9th February:** Mission Appeal by Missionary Society of St Paul.

**Sunday 16th February:** For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping

**Sunday 23rd February:** For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping

**Sunday 2nd March:** For Cathedral Maintenance St Chad's Cathedral.

**Sunday 9th March:** For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping

### The Sacraments School/Parish 2025 Diary.

**Sacrament of Confirmation.** will be on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025 both Masses.

**First Communion:** Good Shepherd School Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2025 @9:30am

**First Holy Communion:** St Elizabeth's Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 @11:15am

**First Confessions Yr.3:** Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March @ 6:30pm Church.

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

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** Rev. Fr. Michael J. Richardson, Daniel Patrick McGee and Joseph Rooney. **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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[elizabeths-church-coventry](https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry). or Online Donation go to:

<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 Wafala.

**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 Mileswski

**Altar Servers**

Sr Joan and

Alaysa Embate

**Justice and Peace**

CAFOD/SVP

Maria Paseka

**Red Boxes**

Mr Bob Ayliffe

## **Invitation**

Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) is launching *Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction*, an online course for staff and volunteers in parishes. The programme will be spread over five one-hour Zoom sessions on **each Tuesday in March** and on **1 April 2025**. The course is aimed at parishioners who are not so familiar with Catholic Social Teaching, or who would welcome a refresh. We will also be hearing from CSAN members who work on the front line of poverty and exclusion, bringing our theoretical discussions to life. The course fee is £95 for all five sessions, which includes a copy of Raymond Friel's book, *Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction for Schools, Parishes, and Charities*.

**Please register for the course by 12noon on Friday 14 February.**

**[Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction. Starts in March. | Birmingham Diocesan Trust](#)**

## **Free Training for Young Adults from 19 years**

Three popular online courses for young adults at zero cost. **Counselling Skills level 2, Mental Health First Aid level 2 and Understanding Autism level 2.** This is an incredible opportunity that you won't want to miss out on. You can easily sign up on our website at [www.wefindanylearner.com/book-online/](http://www.wefindanylearner.com/book-online/) or by contacting our team at 01226 958 888. All you need to do is meet a few simple criteria, including being at least 19 years old by August 31st, 2025, residing in England, and not currently enrolled in an apprenticeship program.

Application deadline is **Monday 10 February**. For more information please visit the website

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 4 in Ordinary Time Year C

<b>Sunday 2nd Feb</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	Special Intention Maclam Fernandes –Bithday Oscar Owen R.I.P. Roxlene Patterson R.I.P.	<b>4th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	Eddie Ryan R.I.P.	
<b>Mon 3rd</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>Wed 5th</b>	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>James Magee R.I.P.</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b>
<b>Thu. 6th</b>	9:15am	Eddie Ryan R.I.P.	
	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Kathleen O’Sullivan R.I.P.</b>	<b>Reception</b>
<b>Fri. 7th</b>	<b>12:15pm</b>	<b>Kathleen O’Sullivan R.I.P.</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b>
	6:30pm	Mary Beesley - Thanksgiving	
<b>Sat 8th Feb</b>	8:00am	<b>Holy Hour of Adoration</b>	
	9:15am	Eddie Ryan R.I.P.	
<b>Sunday 9th Feb.</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	Special Intention Eddie Ryan R.I.P.	<b>5th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	Eddie Ryan R.I.P. Albert Wafula. R.I.P.	

### Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£363** Non Gift Aid: **£235** **QR code**  
January Standing Order Total **£342**. Dona Offerings: **£248**.

**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 **23rd February** at 11:15am Mass

**Pope’s prayer Intention February** For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life: Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ’s mission in the priesthood and religious life.

**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 B Women Faith.**

**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](mailto:sg.stelizabeth.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

## Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

**Readings:** Malachi 3:1-4; Ps. 23; Hebrews 2:14-18; Lk 2: 22-40

### Time for Purification

The feast of presentation of the Lord encourages us to recognise Jesus as the light of salvation and to open our hearts to his transformative presence. The coming of the Lord to the temple is to purify and refine us. It comes to cleanse us and renew us. Jesus is brought to the temple as the light of the world.

Prophet Malachi reminds us that God is always faithful to his promises even when they take time to unfold. The presentation of Jesus signifies that God’s salvation is not distant and active in our minds. Today’s psalm portrays the entrance of the King of Glory into his dwelling place. Similarly in the gospel Jesus is the King of Glory who is welcomed into the temple. Simeon filled with the Holy Spirit recognises Jesus as the light of revelation to the gentiles and the glory of Israel. His song the “Nunc Dimittis” is the profound declaration of God’s salvation.

The second reading from Hebrews, Paul highlights Jesus’ role as our High Priest who became like us in all things except sin. By sharing in our humanity he destroyed the power of death and brought redemption. The presentation in the temple prefigures His ultimate sacrifice on the cross where he offers Himself completely for our salvation.

In today’s Gospel, we witness Mary and Joseph fulfilling the law by presenting their child Jesus in the temple. Simeon and Anna recognise Him as the promised Saviour. Their joyful recognition emphasizes that in Jesus God comes to us in humility and profound in His love. Simeon’s recognition challenges us to ask; Do we see Christ as the light of our lives? Are we open to encounter him in our ordinary moments of our daily existence as Simeon and Anna did in the temple?

As pilgrims of hope let us give hope to the world as this feast brings renewal especially where there is darkness or no sign of hope. Jesus became human to redeem humanity, thus giving us hope and challenging us to give hope to humanity by lighting the candles in our faith. The physical candles remind us that Christ must be lit in us to the world that long for hope. The symbol of offering two doves shows the humility of the family of Jesus into which he is born.

Therefore, simple life reminds us that God’s greatest gifts are often found in the humblest places. Simeon’s prophesy to Mary “a sword will pierce your soul” points to the future suffering as she witnessed her son’s rejection and crucifixion. Yet through his pain the hearts of many will be revealed and salvation will come to all who believe like Anna and Simeon.

Let us dedicate our lives for prayer and worship with devotion and patience waiting for God’s redemption to save us. Let us be committed to God’s will and be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit role and learn to endure through challenges.

**SPREAD THE WORD**