

## Dates for your Diary

### Second Collection this Weekend.

**Sunday 16th February:** For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping. **Contactless machine:** available at the back of the church for offertory & donations.

**Fr. Moses:** We continue praying for Fr. Moses to have a safe journey as he prepares to travel back to the Parish during this week.

**Sunday 23rd February :** Youth Mass at 11:15am Mass. Please let us encourage and continue supporting our young people during this time.

**Sunday 16th March Sacrament of Confirmation.** Will take place in both Masses and will be the very first time for confirmation to take place on Sunday here for over two decades. Will be a great time for the parishioners too to celebrate the Confirmation Mass with the school children by Bishop Richard Walker. Please let us continue praying for our two parish school children preparing for confirmation.

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

**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. Next draw will be on **Sunday 23rd** after Mass. Thank you.

### Deanery Events.

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

**Sunday 23nd 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:** Josephine Kathleen Brown, Ann O'Donoghue, Veronica Moreton, and Patrick Mahan. **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>



Apostles of Jesus Serves: St. Osburg's St. Mary's St. Elizabeth's

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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

## **CAFOD Big Lent Walk 2025: -**

CAFOD's Big Lent Walk makes it simple to put your faith into action this Lenten season by connecting with your local and global community in a meaningful way. All are invited to walk, run, roll or stroll 200km in the 40 days of Lent. **200km is the equivalent of running across 1,953 football fields, climbing the shard 645 times, or walking up and down the channel Tunnel four times.**

Whether you take part as an individual, school or parish community group, the money you raise will enable people around the world to fight poverty. For more information please check on the diocesan website at [Join CAFOD for this year's Big Lent Walk | Birmingham Diocesan Trust](#)

## **'We Dare to Hope' Resource Launched**

This is a five-week resource on Christian Hope and includes a foreword by Bishop David Oakley. The resource has been developed by the Bishops' Conference and follows on from last year's companion resource, We Dare to Say, which was based on the petitions of the Our Father. It is a resource for small group faith-sharing and for individual meditation, featuring five sessions on the jubilee theme of Christian Hope: Christian Hope, the decision to hope, the prayer of hope, hope against hope and Christ our Hope. Each session includes scripture, prayers and a reflection with questions. For more information please check our diocesan website at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/we-dare-to-hope-resource-launched>

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 6 in Ordinary Time Year C

<b>Sunday 16th Feb</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	Special Intention Eddie Ryan R.I.P.	<b>6th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	Winnie, Terry & Pat Maloney R.I.P.	
<b>Mon 17th</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>Wed 19th</b>	9:15am	Mary Beasley –Special Intention	
<b>Thu. 20th</b>	9:15am	Eddie Ryan R.I.P.	
<b>Fri. 21st</b>	<b>11:30am</b>	<b>Eileen Helen Minelli R.I.P.</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b>
	6:30pm	Kathleen O’Sullivan R.I.P.	
<b>Sat 22nd</b>	8:00am	<b>Holy Hour of Adoration</b>	
	9:15am	Consolata Zvirikushi –Family Sp. Int.	
<b>Sunday 23rd Feb.</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	Special Intention Walter Ashby R.I.P. Eddie Ryan R.I.P.	<b>7th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	George Ssemukaaya R.I.P.	

## Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£402** Non Gift Aid: **£162** **QR code**

Mission Appeal: **£198.66**; Dona Offerings: **£59**.

January 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 **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 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](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.

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

**Readings:** Jeremiah 17:5-8; Ps. 1; 1 Cor. 15:12,16-20; Lk 6: 17,20-26

### The Choice is Yours

What do you choose, blessing or woes? Whatever we long for is in God, for he is All-Good. Whatever we want to love is in God; Whatever we want to know is in God; and whatever we want to possess is in God, for he is all beauty of life. Therefore, Jesus in his beatitudes (Lk6:20-26) asserts that those who choose God are blessed and the rest are as good as cursed. The choice is ours, God or something else? To some, the choice of this sort overlooks the complexity of the world we live in where things are not always clear. Yet, Jesus insists that we make a choice, for he is not preaching fundamentalism but fundamentals of human flourishing.

We are called to make this choice not just at the most critical moments in our life but even as we muddle through daily twists and turns. “Blessed are those whose hope is in the Lord, for they are like a tree growing near a stream” (Jer17:7-8). What do you choose, riches or poverty? Jesus blesses the poor and delivers woeful warning to the rich. In doing this, he is not exalting material poverty, which is an evil thing and which all of us must try to eradicate from our midst. But Jesus is warning of the dangers the rich face. The rich tend to be content with their present comfortable existence and, in their self-sufficiency, they tend to forget who their master really is; whereas the poor know that they cannot survive without God. Their material needs speak to them of their greater need for God. The materially rich tend to denigrate their body by pampering it, and in doing so they deny the resurrection of the body (1Cor 15:15). If Christ’s resurrection does not guarantee our own resurrection, our Christianity is empty; if Christians have no resurrection to hope for, then they deserve to be pitied and laughed at.

What do you choose, dependence or independence? In any civilised society, people depend on one another, for a good crutch is often better than a bad foot. Likewise in the Kingdom of God, it is those who depend on God are truly “poor” and worthy of the blessings of the beatitudes. Hence, the rich also are blessed, if only they acknowledge their poverty and dependence on God.

What do you choose, attachment or detachment? Some people don’t like the beatitude “Blessed are the poor” (Lk6:20), because they think that Jesus was referring only to material possessions, when in fact he was mainly talking about the about the attitude of our heart, whether rich or poor. The religion of Christ is primarily on the inside, for what use is a religion which has all the splendour of ceremonial trappings, but behind them there is only a desert, no trust in the Lord and no love for neighbour? Hence, as Jesus was praising the poor for their trust in God, he was telling the rich not to get attached to their possessions, but to share them generously with the needy. In both cases, it was the matter of the heart, not of the pocket.

**SPREAD THE WORD**