

## Dates for your Diary

### Second Collection this Weekend.

**Sunday 20th April:** is for Parish Clergy/Priests. Thank you.

**Contactless machine:** available at the back of the church for your offerings.

**March for Life UK:** Join Bishop Tim Menezes at the candlelight prayer vigil for life organised by [March for Life UK](#) at 7pm on Sunday 27th April. The event will be held in Victoria Square, Birmingham to remember the 57th anniversary of the implementation of the Abortion Act. Please come and join in this peaceful, prayerful time of reflection with speeches from Christian leaders as we recall the lives lost and wounded from the legalisation of abortion. No need to bring posters or candles. For more info go to [marchforlife.co.uk](http://marchforlife.co.uk).

**Appeal to Support the Ongoing Formation of Priests:** We have good news! In 2025, the Religious Missionary Institute of the Apostles of Jesus is preparing to celebrate significant milestones in its mission: **1.** Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood of 32 members in 2025. **2.** 20 members making final their religious vows. 20 members enrolled into temporal vows. **3.** 5 Novices will make their first profession. **4.** 30 have been admission to the Major Seminary. Items Needed to facilitate these formative and celebratory milestones; we are appealing for your support in providing the following: **1.** Priestly Mass Vestments (Chasubles) Quantity: 32 Cost per vestment: £61.00 Total: £1,952.00. Albs for Newly Ordained Priests, Quantity: 32 Cost per alb: £50.00 Total: £1,600.00 **3.** Cassocks for Novices and Newly Professed Members Quantity: 15 Cost per cassock: £34.00 etc.. You can make your donation directly to: "Apostles of Jesus Missionaries Support UK" Registered Charity: 1205905 or Alternatively through the Box at the back of the church or via Dona machine to help train a missionary priest.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** This is to announce that Saroj Salotra will be joined in Matrimony to Zackary Bavester on Saturday 3rd May. Please pray for them.

**Sunday 11th May at 9:15am:** Commissioning of the PPC will take place on 4th Sunday of Easter also known as Vocation or Good Shepherd Sunday.

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

**Sunday 20th April:** For the Parish Clergy/Priests

**Sunday 27th April:** For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping.

**Sunday 4th May:** For the New Parish Hall Chairs, Tables and Landscaping.

**Sunday 11th May:** For Clergy Training Fund

### The Sacraments School/Parish 2025 Diary.

**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

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

**Death Anniversaries this Week:** **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://stelizabethcoventry.org.uk> **Webcam** [https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-](https://www.mcn.live/Camera/st-elizabeths-church-coventry)

[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 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 Waitheira

**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

### **The Parish Pastoral Council.**

This Council has created three Committees to support their work at the parish. These are open to anyone who want to support the parish. Please join us to help run the parish.

- 1. Pastoral and Liturgical Committee:** Working closely with the Parish Priest on the liturgical and pastoral matters of the parish etc.
- 2. Development/Social/Fundraising Committee:** to coordinate all events, including Multicultural Day, Parish Fairs/Raffles, New Hall Management, Coffee/Tea after Mass etc.
- 3. Maintenance Committee:** To coordinate Church's maintenance, Gardens, Church cleaning, Church Flowers and Decorations etc.

**New Hall Electricity:** The installation of electricity is nearly complete. What remains now is tidying up the areas which they have to do together with Integra builders after Easter. We hope that everything will be ready by the end of the month.

**Proposal for the Kitchen:** We have received one proposal although cost not yet included, but only to have an idea. It's on notice board. Your comments are welcome. If you know of anyone who can give us a quote for kitchen, please bring to Father.

**Chairs & Tables for New Hall:** We have been searching for the above and found out that a good single chair cost between £13-£19. The Fundraising has already started and we have received a donation of £1300 from various people. We need a total of 120 chairs and 30 Tables. Please think about this over the Easter and if you want to donate for chairs or tables, you are most welcome. You can do it as a family or individual. We shall get them after Easter.

## Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Easter Week One Year C

<b>Sunday 20th April</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	Dorothy Babra R.I.P. Mick Breslin R.I.P. Oscar Owen R.I.P.	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	Ruth Ndu'ngu - Birthday Mary Stubbs - Sp. Intentions	
<b>Mon 21st</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Mass at St. Osburg</b>	<b>E. Monday</b>
Tues 22nd	9:15am	Grace Bidi-Thanksgiving Int.	<b>E. Tuesday</b>
Weds 23rd	9:15am	Patricia Lineham R.I.P. Diwan David Chand R.I.P. Paramjit Salame R.I.P.	<b>Easter Wednesday</b>
Thu. 24th	9:15am	Bronislaw, Mary and Paul Srodon R.I.P.	<b>E. Thursday</b>
Fri. 25th	9:15am	Gian Francis Chand R.I.P.	<b>E. Friday</b>
Sat 26th	8:00pm 9:15am	<b>Holy Hour of Adoration</b> Barney Gallen R.I.P.	<b>E. Saturday</b>
<b>Sunday 27th April</b>	<b>9:15am</b>	Special Intentions Aizack & Lakwinder-Wed. Anv. Ashby Family-Past & Present	<b>2nd Sunday of Easter</b>
	<b>11:15am</b>	Josephine Sp. Int.	

### Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£423** Non Gift Aid: **£313**

NPH: **£135.27**. Dona Offerings: **£ 25**

March Standing Order Total **£462. Thank You.**

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**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 **7:30-8:30pm**. Every one is welcome.

**Youth Mass:** Every Last Sunday of each Month. On **27th April** at 11:15am Mass

**Pope's prayer Intention April:** For use of the new technologies. Pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationship, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

**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 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](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.

## Easter Sunday Year C

**Readings:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps.118(117); Colossians 3:1-4; Jn.20:1-9



### Waiting in Hope!

Waiting is part of human condition. People who find it difficult to sleep wait restlessly for the dawn. The watchman longs for the end of night and the end of the watch. Waiting is necessary for healing. Wounds need time to heal and have a circle of their own. They cannot be rushed. Healing after operation requires time and a period of convalescence. Periods of waiting can also be man-made. People have to wait to see the doctor or wait for an operation because of the queue and the demands on the resources. Human growth, whether physical, psychological or spiritual, takes time and involves periods of waiting for change. The healing of grief requires a long time of waiting. Human waiting comes to an end and there is a sense of relief.

Holy Saturday is a day of waiting in the Church's calendar. The church is empty and bare. It is stripped of decoration and feels empty. There is something missing. The tabernacle doors are open, and the blessed sacrament is not there. The feeling of emptiness is like that which follows a death. It is full of memories. The emptiness of Holy Saturday has provided an opportunity to wait and reflect on the event of the Holy Week. We have longed for nightfall so that we can gather round the paschal fire and celebrate new life.

For the apostles and disciples of Jesus, waiting comes to an end when they experience the resurrection. Suddenly the grief and mourning of Jesus' death is over and he appeared to them in a risen state. They feel joy and peace. It is a moment of triumph and victory. The great day of waiting is over. Christ has risen triumphant from the grave.

Whilst many moments of human life are difficult – sickness, grief, imprisonment, loss of friends, loneliness, struggling for justice in a situation of oppression, speaking the truth when the cost is high – the promise of the resurrection is that God will triumph.

Martin Luther King whilst struggling for justice for African American (black) endured suffering, rejection and death. He knew from his Christian faith that he must live the Good Friday of suffering and emptiness of Holy Saturday, but that Easter Sunday would dawn. It would be an unending day of everlasting joy. This is the hope of celebration this Easter vigil.

