

Dates for your Diary

Second Collection this Weekend NO. Contactless machine: available at the back of the church for your offerings.

Altar Servers Renewal Mass: On Sunday 22nd February at 9:15am and 11:15am.



Day of prayer and Retreat for Eucharistic Ministers.

This will be on Saturday 14th March Mass 9:45am. This will be similar to the readers' retreat. A Reader or Eucharistic minister MUST attend one.



Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage: A Diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 2nd May 2026 at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments. For more information and to register, please visit www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass



Thursday 18th March 6pm: Lent Penance Service & First Confessions.

Parish Penitential Service and Children First Confessions. This is to help us prepare well for Easter and our school children for their First Holy Communion. Please put this date in your diary.



Parish Finance Committee Meeting: On Friday 6th March 2026 at 7.00pm in the Sacristy.

Rosary Prayer: Every Friday in Lent, by the Statue of our Lady of Coventry in Priory gardens near Holy Trinity Church Broadgate. Starting at 1:40pm.



Friday Stations of the Cross. Every Friday at 6:30pm in Church throughout Lent, followed by Mass. To be led by various groups of the parish. **Leaders:** Friday 27th - Altar Servers & Youth group. Friday 6th March Women of Faith. Friday 13th March Fathers/Sisters & European group. Friday 20th March Shona/Ndebele Chaplaincy. Friday 27th March Choir group. Good Friday 3rd April - all Groups at 1:00pm. All are welcome.



Wednesday 4th March - RCIA Group Session: Beginning this Wednesday at 7.00pm in Sacristy. You are welcome to join if you want to know more about Catholic Faith especially now as we are in the season of Lent.

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2026 Diary.

Sunday 1st. March: For CAFOD – First Harvest Fast.

Sunday 8th. March: For Cathedral Maintenance.

Sunday 22nd. March: For the Apostles of Jesus Missionary's Priest Training 1st COLL

Sacramental Programme for Parish Schools 2026

Wednesday 18th March @ 6pm: Year 3 "First Confessions" in Church-both schools

Saturday 16th May @ 9:30am: First Holy Communion - Good Shepherd Children

Sunday 7th June @ 9:15am: First Holy Communion - St Elizabeth's & Parish Children.

Pray for the Sick: Mary Kean, Rohith De Silva, Joe Peters, Clare Unes, 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-elizabeths-church-coventry>.

Online Donation go to: <https://donatemydona.com/st-elizabeth-church-coventry>.

Parish Schools (Heads)

St. Elizabeth's

Mr Michael Doyle

Good Shepherd

Mr Michael Kirby

Parish Church

Co-ordinators:

Parish Office

Sr Joan Wafala.

Parish Maintenance

Gerald Ani

Clovis Ndi

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 Waitthera

Chair of Parish Finance

and Gift Aid Scheme

Mr Stan Milewski

Altar Servers

Sr Joan and

Alaysa Embate

Justice and Peace

CAFOD/SVP

Maria Paseka

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

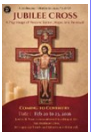
My Parish My Home - Planned Giving.

Thank you very much for all that you are doing in the parish. To all who have sacrificed their time to support the parish in various ways including: Church's cleaners, flowers team, sacristans, choirs, readers, Eucharistic Ministers, altar servers, youth team, Parish Council & its Committees, Women of faith and many others. This participation is vital in the life of the parish.

Your parish team will launch a Planned Giving Appeal next weekend to help secure the future of our parish. This appeal will be both for your Financial Support as well as to appeal to you to be actively involved in your parish as your second home. Our parish is now 114 -year-old. Those who built it worked so hard, and so now is our responsibility to ensure that our parish remain strong and hospitable. Our Diocesan Vision invites us to work together co-responsibly, building vibrant communities of faith and joy in our hearts. We are preparing leaflets to help us with this parish Planned Campaign/Appeal for next weekend at both Masses.

The Jubilee Cross of Jesus Youth UK.

The Jubilee Cross of Jesus Youth UK is inspired by the San Damiano Cross, deeply associated with St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of the Jesus Youth Movement. This cross portrays Christ alive and victorious, with open eyes and outstretched arms, inviting all into His redeeming love. As Jesus Youth UK celebrates its Silver Jubilee, this Cross stands as a sign of gratitude for God's faithfulness over the past 25 years. As the cross journeys through households across the UK, it becomes a visible sign of the grace being passed on. Its journey invites us to reconciliation, repentance, and the call to rebuild our hearts, our communities, and the Church, inspiring every household to become a living witness of Christ's love and mission. The Cross will be here at 11:15am Mass and will leave Coventry 23rd February.



Date Mass Time Intentions Week One Lent Year A

Sunday 22nd February	9:15am	Special Intention. Happy - Sp. Intentions W.F Ashby R.I.P.	1st Sunday Lent
	11:15am	Angeline/Gabby Family intent. Thanksgiving.	
Mon.23rd	9.15am	Mary Cassidy - R.I.P	Lent Feria
Weds 25th	9:15am	Special Intentions Emmanuel Furaha R.I.P	Lent Feria
Thurs 26th	9:15am	Emmanuel Furaha R.I.P	Lent Feria
Friday. 27th	6:30pm	Stations of the Cross and Mass. Andy Dalton R.I.P	Lent Feria
Sat 28th	8:00am 9.15am	Holy Hour & Benediction Mick Breslin R.I.P	Lent Feria
Sunday 1st March	9:15am	Carmen - Sp. Intention Susan Nahar - B'day. Sp. Int Mike Ifeanyi Browne Sp. Int	2nd Sunday Lent
	11:15am	People of the Parish.	

Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Scheme: **£491** Non Gift Aid: **£221** **QR code**

Donation NPH: **£180.** Dona Offering: **£334**

Standing Order **£325.** **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 **7:30-8:30pm**. Every one is welcome.

Pope's prayer Intention February: Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

Parish Youth Group Mass: Every last Sunday of each Month at 11:15am.

Church Cleaning Groups: Church cleaning Teams of 4 cleaners. Group A Sr Joan & Altar Servers/Parents. Group B Women of Faith. Group C Violeta. Group D Punjabi Rosary Group. Church's Cleaners this Week: Group B Women of 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 or Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

First Sunday of Lent Year A

Readings: Genesis 2:7-9;3:1-7; Psalm 51/50; Romans 5:12-19; Matt. 4:1-11

'The Fall'

In the story of Adam and Eve, which we find in the Book of Genesis, the writer is trying to show us how the world came to be in the mixed-up state it is in. The story points out many good things about this world. It is made by God, especially with human beings in mind. It is a beautiful place. We can be happy here. We can be at peace here. Our great guide to peace and happiness is to listen carefully to what our creator says to us. God does not try to prevent our happiness or even boss us about. In fact, God has seen fit to create us for freedom. We can respond to God, just as we respond to each other. There is no threat, no pressure, except the call to do what is good and right. Goodness always demands our attention and our obedience, and that is where we fall down.

The fall of Adam and Eve describes the "Big Picture" of the world. In every human life, in every "Little Picture", that fall is repeated. We can choose to follow God or to give in to the temptation to do wrong. Sometimes we give in. we are a fallen race and we know it. The evidence is all around us. If it destroys our hope or our belief in God, we can be greatly harmed. We need good news: a reason to believe, a reason to hope, a reason to go on. That good news has come to us in the form of Jesus Christ. This man has fought with the devil, with every evil in this world. Even to the point of death. But he was not defeated. The death and resurrection of Jesus is the triumph of God's goodness over evil.

Lent is the right time to take right decisions. During this Lenten Journey towards Easter, the word of God will challenge us to choose God and his ways above all else, aided by the gracious activity of God in Christ. If we have to change our attitudes towards God, our neighbours and nature around us, we must change. Change is only the interval between the decay of the old and formation of the new. We can't be like wood which might remain ten years in the waters but never become a crocodile, because it can't change.

In order to bring about the desired changes in our lives during this Lent, we are advised to go into 'desert', as often as we can, as Jesus did. Deserts are like stars but with a difference. Stars speak of man's insignificance right now. Our 'desert', can be any private moment in a private place, stripped of all distractions of the world. Jesus was also careful to use the right weapons to combat evil: they were prayer, penance, and the word of God. So, we must use the same spiritual weapons to combat evil in our lives and society.