

Dates for your Diary

Second Collection.

There will be a second collection - This Sunday to support "Day for Life" Charity.

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

WEBELIEVE- Festival of Catholic Life: on Friday 24 – Monday 27 July 2026 | St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham. WeBelieve Festival aims to bring the Church in England & Wales together. It's an unmissable opportunity to connect with other Catholics, 100s of contributors, and has something for every age and stage of the faith journey. Join us in July with a 33% discount on day tickets using the code 'BIRMINGHAM-DISCOUNT' at checkout. Book your tickets at www.webbelievFestival.com.

Fr Sunday Silver Jubilee: This Saturday 27th St Osburg's at 11:30am.

Father's Day: As we celebrate Fathers Day this Sunday, may we wish all the fathers and those with fatherly role a very happy Father's Day with God's Blessings on them all.

Updates for 200 Club: Anyone interested is welcome to join. Monthly membership is only **£2 (£24 a year)**. Next draw **Sunday 28th June**. Details? Contact **Sr. Joan or Tony**.

Water Leak: The water leak is still unresolved. The disable toilets still out of use. Thank you for your patience.

Help Your Marriage: Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For details, please email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk.

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2026 Diary.

Sunday 28th June: For Peter Pence - MISSION Charity

Sunday 12th July: For Apostleship of the Sea - Sea Farer.

Sunday 20th Sept: For Home Mission/CASE.

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>



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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

Bredon Noonon

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 Milewski

Altar Servers

Sr Joan and

Alaysa Embate

Justice and Peace

CAFOD/SVP

Maria Paseka

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

Multicultural Mass at St Elizabeth's.

This will be on Sunday 9th August 2026. Mass starting at 2:30pm, followed by a social gathering in the parish garden and Hall, with bring and shared food/BBQ and drinks. All are welcome.

World Cup Raffle: This is now closed as all teams have been taken.

World Cup Replica Trophy Photograph Opportunity: if you would like to take a photograph with a World Cup trophy on your phone at **£1 Pound Photograph**, you can do this after each mass today. Proceeds to Jubilee Hall.

Parking and Safety: Please be careful when driving at the Church & school car parks. Be reminded that the car park spaces here at the Church are **STRICTLY** reserved for the **DISABLE**, sick, and the **ELDERLY** people **ONLY** on **Sunday**. If you consider yourself to be one of them as mentioned above, please collect a badge from Church's steward. There are enough spaces at the school ground for every able person to park. Please be considerate and drive safely at all time.

This Sunday, 21 June, mark the Day for Life under the theme "The Wonder of the Child in the Womb." The theme also recognises the loss of children who died before birth and the grief of their parents. The bishops' message and prayers can be found on the Day for Life website: www.dayforlife.org. The second collection will go towards the Day for Life Fund, which distributes grants to organisations that promote respect for life from conception until natural death.

Recycling Box: Re-cycling, any **old stamps, postcards, mobile phones, games consoles, Old and worn-out jewellery, foreign & currency** - Please put them in the box at the back.

Date June 2026: Time: Intentions: Week 12 Ordinary Time Yr A

Sunday 21st June	9:15am	Special Intention. Catherine & Peter Ryan R.I.P	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A
	11:15am	Beatrice R.I.P. and Vinit Fernandes R.I.P	
	1:00pm	Shona/Ndebele Chaplaincy Mass	
Mon. 22nd	9:15am	Special Intention	
Wed 24th	9:15am	Ezra & Camden-Thanksgiving	
Thurs 25th	9:15am		
Frid. 26th	6:30pm	Richard Battholomew R.I.P.	
Sat 27th	08:00am 09:15am	Holy Hour & Benediction	
Sunday 28th June	9:15am	Special Intention. Edward Doherty R.I.P. Paul Srodon R.I.P.	Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul
	11:15am	Thanksgiving for all those who contributed to Jubilee Hall.	

Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Donation: **£575** Non Gift Aid **£252**

Dona Offering: **£151** Donation NPH: **£125 - QR code**

Standing Order: **£380. 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 **6:30-7:30pm**. Every one is welcome.

Pope's prayer Intention June: Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

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 & Alter servers Group. Group B Women of Faith group. Group C Violeta. Group D Punjabi Rosary Group. Church's Cleaners this Week: **Group B Women of Faith group.**

Parish Safeguarding: This 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.

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 2026

Readings: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 68; Romans: 5:12-15 Matthew 10:26-33

The Suffering Church.

The man of God, Jeremiah the prophet, was God's witness even at the risk of and eventually the cost of his life. He is aware of his ultimate doom, for almost without exception the vocation of prophet was a call to martyrdom.

We need to remind ourselves that the essential task of the Old Testament prophets was to bear witness to the supremacy of God, not to foretell the future. Jeremiah accepts the Lord's commission, and he is not afraid: (But the Lord is with me, like a mighty champion: my persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph ...). Jeremiah eventually gave his life in witness to his faith, but he lives on: his life and his book of prophecy have been the inspiration of countless millions of Jews and Christians throughout the centuries.

The gospel is a continuation of Jesus' commissioning of his apostles: "**Do not let men intimidate you ... Do not fear those who deprive the body of life but cannot destroy the soul ... Whoever acknowledges me before men I will acknowledge before my Father in heaven.**" It's much the same message as the one to Jeremiah. The kingdom of God, God's cause, is founded primarily on persecution, on suffering. The history of Christianity bears witness that the Church has always flourished under persecution and suffering. And that continues to be the case in our time. The Church is healthiest today where it is most persecuted.

What about us? Are we to provoke persecution, go looking for it? Hardly. What happened in Kenya recently with the Pastor starving his church's members to death for the sake of salvation, was an act of murder, and never faith.

Persecution may give strength to the Church, but perhaps equal to it in efficacious results is the suffering, endured with love, of individual Christians. We can find much satisfaction in St Paul's mysterious words: "**Even now I find my joy in the suffering I endure for you. In my own flesh I fill up what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ for the sake of his body, the church**" (Col 1:24).

Every community of Christians has its full quota of ill, aged, lonely, and dying persons. These people need caring, encouragement, and the conviction that their lives are as worthwhile for the welfare of the Church as when they were actively engaged in full and busy lives. What are we doing for them? Do we ever visit them, make them feel wanted? They need to hear and be convinced of Jesus' words in today's gospel: "**As for you, every hair of your head has been counted; so, do not be afraid of anything. You are worth more than an entire flock of sparrows.**"

Suffering people need to know that God cares, and often the only way they can realise that, is by the comforting visit from standers for God who remain healthy and active. It is especially to sufferers like these that the words of today's Responsorial Psalm are intended: (**The poor when they see it will be glad, and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the LORD attends to the needy and does not spurn his own in their chains Lord, in your great love, answer me!**).