

Dates for your Diary

Second Collection this Sunday: For the Multicultural Day. Also the following two Sundays second collections will be for the same - Parish event.

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

Multicultural Mass on Saturday 8th August: Second collections will be taken on the following Sundays for the support of our parish celebration of the multicultural Day. Sunday 19th & 26th July, and Sunday 2nd August at all Masses. Thank you for your Support.

Multicultural Day: Help is needed in the following areas:

1. Church's Stewards on the day - Please register with Ann Harkin if you want to help on the day.
2. Setting up and preparation of the hall and garden on Friday 7th August.
3. Join the hospitality team and to help serve visitors on the day

Family Quiz Night 28th Friday August: My first Quiz was in August 1988 and my next one will be on Friday August 28th 2026 in the Jubilee Hall. From 7:30pm Start. Teams of up to 5 players at a cost of £2 for adults and £1 for Juniors. Please bring your own alcohol but please don't use your mobile phones. Tea & Coffee provided. It should be a great night for a social get together and will also raise much needed funds for the parish. Enrol your Team on the notice-board at the rear of the church as numbers are limited or call on parish tel. No 02476688536. Thank you for your support. Tony Ashby (Quiz master)

Water Leak: We have carried out some work privately to address the problem of water leak which has been going on since January 2026. Exi and Integra builders were not involved at this stage and it appears the problem is resolved. Was tested by Severn Trent and they too believed that a major leak has been resolved, however there is still small 1.2 litre per hour lost could be from the taps.

Wedding Announcement: "Michael Paul Durden & Brogan Anita Bernadette Coombs will celebrate their Matrimony next week on 1st August 2026 at St Elizabeth's Church. Please keep them in your prayers. If you have concerns please speak to parish priest.

Matthew Kalyango R.I.P: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Matthew who died suddenly this week in Manchester. He was only 22 -years-old. Please keep his bereaved parents and sisters also in your prayers at this very difficult time.

The Second Collection weeks Ahead in 2026 Diary.

2nd August: For the Multicultural Day - Parish event.

Sunday 20th Sept: For Home Mission/CASE.

Sunday 27th Sept: For Father Hudson's Society

Sunday 4th October: For CAFOD. Harvest 2nd Fast

Pray for the Sick: Mary Kean, Rohith De Silva, Joe Peters, Clare Unes, Tony Ashby, Susan Nahar, Richard Fernandes & 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

Bredon Noonon

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

Multicultural Mass at St Elizabeth's.

This will be now be on Saturday 8th August 2026. Mass starts at 2:00pm, followed by a social gathering in the parish hall & garden. As usual it's bring and shared food/BBQ and drinks. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday 11:30am Mass at St. Osburgs : From September first this particular Sunday Mass will be moved to 10:30am instead of 11:30. This adjustment is necessary for the new priests to manage the two parishes. This adjustment will not affect the evening Masses of both Saturday 4:30pm and Sunday 6:00pm. **St Elizabeth's Parish will also** adjust their 2 Sunday Masses to instead of 9:15am and 11:15am To 9:00am and 12:15pm respectively. These proposals were discussed by the Finance Committee of St Osburg's and the Parish Pastoral Council of St Elizabeth's. We are aware that these changes with inconvenient some people who are used to the previous timing, but I would like to appeal to you that this is done to help the priest serve you better.

Food Bank, help needed: "We have faced shortages before but right now we are facing one of the most serious shortages we have ever experienced." The situation is serious and if we all added just one or two extra items into our shopping trolleys next time - it would turn the situation around.

World Cup Raffle Winners: £50 Peggy Kilmurry—Spain. £20 Stan Milewski - Argentina. £10 - Bharti Garala - England. And £160 for Parish maintenance. Thank you all for supporting.

Updates for 200 Club: Anyone interested is welcome to join. Monthly membership is only **£2 (£24 a year)**. Next draw **Sunday 26th July**. Details? Contact **Sr. Joan or Tony**.

Date July 2026: Time: Intentions: Week 17th Ordinary Time Yr A

Sunday 26th July	9:15am	Special Intention John Moran R.I.P Margaret Oluwole	17th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A
	11:15am	Vinit Fernandes R.I.P. Joseph Susai R.I.P.	
Mon. 27th	9:15am	John Moran R.I.P.	Feria OT
Wed 29th	9:15am	John Moran R.I.P.	Martha, Mary, Lazarus
Thurs 30th	9:15am	John Moran R.I.P.	Feria OT
Frid. 31st	6:30pm	Gerald Ani R.I.P.	Ignatius of Loyola
Saturday 1st Aug	8:00am	Holy Hour/Benediction	St. Alphonsus Ma
	9:15am	John Moran R.I.P.	
Sunday 2nd August	9:15am	Special Intention Stewards -Thanksgiving Mary Stubbs R.I.P.	17th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A
	11:15am	Stewards -Thanksgiving	

Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Donation: **£578** Non Gift Aid **£321**

Dona Offering: **£52** Second Collections: **£114** – **OR code**

June 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 August: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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 C Violeta**.

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.

17th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A 2026

Readings: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Ps 85; Roman 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43

'God's Kingdom'

After being nearly snowbound for two weeks, a man departed for his holiday to the beach, where he was to meet his wife the next day at the conclusion of her business trip. They were looking forward to pleasant weather and a nice time together. Unfortunately, there was some sort of mix-up at the boarding gate, and the man was told he would have to wait for a later flight. He tried to appeal to a supervisor but was told the airline was not responsible for the problem.

Upon arrival at the hotel the next day, he discovered that the beach was having a heat wave, and its weather was extremely hot. Then the clerk gave him a message that his wife would arrive as planned. He could hardly wait to get to the pool area to cool off, and quickly sent his wife an e-mail, but due to his haste, he made an error in the e-mail address.

His message therefore arrived at the home of an elderly preacher's wife whose husband had just died only day before. When the grieving widow opened her e-mail, she took one look at the monitor, let out an anguished scream, and fell to the floor dead. Her family rushed to her room where they saw this message on the screen: *(Dearest wife, departed yesterday as you know, just now got checked in. some confusion at the gate. Appeal was denied. Received confirmation of your arrival tomorrow. Your loving husband. P.S. Things are not as we thought, you are going to be surprised at how hot it is down here).*

Some of those preachers seemed to know an awful lot about hell! It's as though they had visited and warn us about what to expect when we got hell. There are two major differences, however, between how we used to speak about heaven and hell and what we say now. Just as we know the treasure hidden in the field or the pearl of great price are metaphors for heaven, rich and wonderful ones at that, they remain images that enable us to grasp an unimaginable concept. So, it is with hell. How can we imagine life, love and God? we have learned that our guidebook regarding hell needs to be more circumscribed about what that destination or state of being holds. All we can confidently say is that hell is non-God. The second change is that we are more careful about being so confident regarding who is going to hell. Jesus tells us that God wants all humanity to be saved. We can't take that seriously and then have people slip into hell for a small infringement of the rules.

If we read this Sunday's gospel in a difference way, it can be a commentary on what God has done for us. Humanity can be seen as the treasure in the field that God has sold everything to own. We are the pearl of great price that God has moved heaven and earth to possess, and we are the fish caught up in the net of God's love. Our God is the one who became one like us, in Jesus the Lord, so that we might know, love, and serve him. That's what this gospel is all about. Jesus reminds his disciples that in glimpsing the things of heaven they must be like the master of a household. In Jesus' day such a person would have provided protection, love, security, and justice for all.

God has given us free will and treasures, both new and old, to help us protect each other, love each other, feel secure in the truth, and act justly. But we need to know that the choices we make regarding these things, have implications for how we live now and future life.