

## Dates for your Diary

**Second Collection this Sunday:** For the Multicultural Day. Please your support towards this coming Parish event is highly encouraged and appreciated.

**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 Congratulations** to Michael Paul Durden & Brogan Anita Bernadette Coombs who celebrated their Matrimony yesterday on 1st August 2026 at St Elizabeth's Church.

**Matthew Kalyango R.I.P:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Matthew who died suddenly on 22nd July 2026 in Manchester. He was only 22 -years-old. His funeral is set for **14th August 2026** here at St. Elizabeth's Church. Please keep his bereaved parents and sisters also in your prayers and support 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

**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 Waitheira

##### **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 Saturday 8th August 2026. our Parish will be hosting the Annual Multicultural Mass starting at 2:00pm, followed by a social gathering in the parish hall & garden. As usual it's bring and shared food/BBQ and drinks please. Everyone is welcome.

No Benediction and No Morning Mass on Saturday 8th because of our parish annual event mentioned above. Everyone is welcome to Parish Multicultural Event.

**Sunday Masses at St Elizabeth's Parish:** From the 1st September our Sunday Masses will be adjusted. First Mass will 9:00am instead of 9:15am. Second Mass will moved to 12:15pm instead of 11:15am. 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 will 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.

**St. Osburgs will also** adjust their Sunday Mass to 10:30am instead of 11:30am. 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.

**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.

**Updates for 200 Club:** Anyone interested is welcome to join. Monthly membership is only **£2 (£24 a year)**. Next draw **Sunday 30th August**. Details? Contact **Sr. Joan or Tony**.

**Date July 2026: Time: Intentions: Week 18th Ordinary Time Yr A**

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| <b>Sunday<br/>2nd<br/>August</b> | <b>9:15am</b>  | Special Intention<br>Stewards - Thanksgiving<br>Mary Stubbs R.I.P | <b>18th Sunday<br/>Ordinary Time<br/>Year A</b> |
|                                  | <b>11:15am</b> | Stewards - Thanksgiving<br>Andrew Sloan R.I.P                     |                                                 |
| Mon. 3rd                         | 9:15am         | John Moran R.I.P                                                  | Feria OT                                        |
| Wed 5th                          | 9:15am         | Josephine and Paul-Sp. Intention                                  | Feria OT                                        |
| Thurs 6th                        | <b>9:15am</b>  | Matthew Kalyango R.I.P                                            | <b>Transfiguration</b>                          |
| <b>Frid. 7th</b>                 | <b>12:00pm</b> | <b>Bridie Coyle RIP Funeral</b>                                   | <b>Requiem Mass</b>                             |
|                                  | <b>6:30pm</b>  | Andrew Sloan R.I.P                                                |                                                 |
| <b>Sat. 8th</b>                  | <b>2:00pm</b>  | <b>The Multicultural Mass</b>                                     | <b>Parish Event</b>                             |
| <b>Sunday<br/>9th<br/>August</b> | <b>9:15am</b>  | Special Intention<br>M.A Ashby & John Moran RIP                   | <b>19th Sunday<br/>Ordinary Time<br/>Year A</b> |
|                                  | <b>11:15am</b> | Matthew Kalyango R.I.P<br>John Moran RIP                          |                                                 |

### Weekly Offertory and online Donations!

Gift Aid Donation: **£504** Non Gift Aid **£217**

Dona Offering: **£30** Second Collections: **£93** – **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 D Punjabi Rosary 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](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.

### 18th Sunday Ordinary Time Year A 2026

**Readings: Isaiah 55:1-3; Ps 144; Roman 8:35, 37-39; Matthew 14:13-21**

### "I am Only a Spark, Make me a Fire"

The cure' of Ars once saw in his church a farmer silently kneeling before the tabernacle. This man used to spend most of his time in the Church. Once the Cure' asked him, "What are you saying to the Lord all the time?" "Actually nothing," he replied, and pointing to the tabernacle, said: "I look at him, and he looks at me." One wonders how many of us have such deep faith in the presence of the Lord in the Eucharist! Do we realise the immense love of God revealed through the presence of his Son in the Eucharist? If so, we too would be able to say with St Paul, "Who will separate us from the love of Christ? (Rom 8:35). He is there as our bread of life and living water, calling" All you who are thirsty come to the water; come to me that you may have life". On the day when the Lord multiplied some loaves and fed five thousand (Mt 14:19-20), the crowd were so determined to meet him that they were not discouraged by the physical effort involved in following him through the desert. Their desire to meet Jesus, whom they believed could make a difference in their lives, prevailed over the physical difficulties they encountered. How determined are we to meet the Lord in the Eucharist?

Jesus is in the Eucharist as our bread of life, feeding us with his own body, yes; but he hopes that we in our turn will go out to feed the hungry. He is there as our water of life satisfying our eternal thirst with his own blood, yes; but he hopes that we in our turn will go out and quench the thirst of others. He is uniting us with God and with one another, feeding us with the same bread, yes; but he hopes that we in turn will go out and show our unity with the rest of humanity by caring for the poor, the needy, the weak and helpless. When he multiplied loaves and fed so many, the miracle was not meant just to reveal his power. The miracle was also to feed the hungry because "his heart was moved to pity" (Mt 14:14). Therefore, as the multiplication of the loaves was a sign of the forthcoming institution of the Eucharist, so the eucharist stands today as the sign of Christ's compassion for all the needy in the world. Unless our breaking of bread at the table leads us to breaking of ourselves for the benefit of others, the eucharist cannot be for us a bond of love with God. Speaking on charity to the poor, Pope Paul VI once urged all men and women of good will to examine their consciences to see whether they are compassionate for the poor in the world. He touched upon various ways by which one can care for the poor. A new conscience for our times is calling each of us to self-examination. For example, Am I doing all I can to help the poor and hungry?

Perhaps some of us easily excuse ourselves from works of charity saying, "I am limited in my resources; let those who have plenty give". But in today's gospel Jesus encourages us to look beyond what is possible and share even the little we may have. The five loaves and two fish were the only food available in the desert and, according to St John's Gospel, that belonged to a boy in the crowd. Jesus used that small quantity from a small boy and fed five thousand people. This means that one concerned person, like one grain of wheat, is important. However little may be our talents and gifts, if we offer them to Jesus, he can perform miracles with them. At the table of the Lord, we find abundance and more than enough to satisfy the hunger of all.