

CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES
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STATEMENT ON HM THE QUEEN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

The Bishops' Conference establishes that, at all Sunday Masses on 11-12 June 2016, each parish prays for Her Majesty the Queen to mark her 90th birthday by including such an intention in the Bidding Prayers and by reciting at the end of Mass (after the Prayer after Communion and before the Final Blessing) the **Prayer for the Queen** as follows:

V. O Lord, save Elizabeth, our Queen.
R. And hear us on the day we call upon you.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.
R. And let my cry come before you.

V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.

Almighty God, we pray,
that your servant Elizabeth, our Queen,
who, by your providence has received the governance of this realm,
may continue to grow in every virtue,
that, imbued with your heavenly grace,
she may be preserved from all that is harmful and evil
and, being blessed with your favour
may, with her consort and the royal family,
come at last into your presence,
through Christ who is the way, the truth and the life
and who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen



Further, the Bishops' Conference recommends to our parishes the circulation and use of the booklet 'The Servant Queen and the King she serves'.

This book, published by Bible Society, HOPE and LICC, uses the Queen's own words to draw out the central role of her trust in Jesus Christ.

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