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MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

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Sun 16 th May 2021	6.00pm Vigil Mass	Deceased members of Scanlan Family (RIP)			
	09.00 am	Monteiro Family (Thanksgiving)			
	10.30 am	Margaret Ivenso & Engy Akinsola (RIP)			
Seventh Sunday of Easter	12.00 noon	Mary Connor (RIP)			
	5.30 pm	No Mass			
Mon 17 th May2021 Feria	10.00am	Freida Carvelho (RIP)			
Tues 18 th May 2021 Feria	10.00am	Mr & Mrs Martha Crawley (RIP)			
Wed 19 th May 2021 Feria	10.00 am	Deceased members of Kansalla Family			
	10.30am-12noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament			
Thurs 20 th May 2021 Feria	10.00am	Gemma Gilligan (Speedy Recovery)			
Fri 21 st May 2021 Feria	10.00am	Cyril Monteiro (RIP)			
	10.30am-12noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament			
Sat 22 nd May 2021 St. Rita (Consecration of our Parish Church, 1980)	10.00am	Margaret Ivenso & Engy Akinsola (RIP)			
	1030am-11.15am & 5.15pm- 6pm	Confession			
	6.00pm	For the Soul of Alicja Litwinska			

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK



"We pray for all women going through unexpected pregnancies, that they would experience peace and support in this circumstance, and recognise the many blessings that motherhood brings.

"Lord hear us". Amen

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Please pray for our fellow parishioners especially



those who have recently died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time and all who mourn the loss of loved ones including May their Souls rest in peace.



the sick, the isolated and their carers, especially those within our own Parish Community:

Jackie Van Elswick	Brenda Kavanagh	Rosemary Day	David Uzor	Monir Jacob
Doreen Charlish	Eddie Hamilton	Anne Jagelman	Susie King	Frank Kinsella
Maggie Deleaney	Theresa Mittcosbe	Kosenat Tetteh	Mary Scott	Alex Coffey
Margaret O'Flaherty	Cynthia Lobendhan	Luke DuCasse	B.Novicki	Guy Saide

APRIL 2021 TOTAL COLLECTION

Loose cash	£ 1,978.04	Priest Training Fund	£ 544.14
standing order	£ 4,753.10	CAFOD	£ 168
Total	£ 6,731.14	Missio	£140.15

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

NOTICES FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES 2021-

Confirmation Mass - Group 1: Sunday 23rd May 2pm prompt!

Confirmation Mass - Group 2: Sunday 23rd May 5pm prompt!

MAY DEVOTIONS

From 1st May we shall be having Rosary everyday by 6pm in the church and online except on Saturday when we shall have it before the Evening Mass.

BAPTISM

Application Forms are now available online -this can be found under Sacrament. Please <u>read</u> the Baptism guide before completing the form. Thank you

RCIA COURSE

This course is for adults who would love to become Catholic and for Catholics who want to deepen their understanding of the Church. If you are interested, please pick up a form from the Parish Office or at the exit of the Church. Complete it and return it on or before end of May.

Parish Registration Form:

We have uploaded a Parish Registration Form on the Parish Website (stelpheges.co.uk). We require **every parishioner** to complete the Registration Form to enable us to update the information we hold on you, our parishioners. This is important for many reasons, including the future signing of School Forms. Those who may have challenges with the completion of the Form should contact the Parish Office for assistance. We hope we shall all be able to complete this exercise on or before the last day of the month of May 2021.

GIFT AID BOXES

Gift Aid Boxes for the period June 2021 to May 2022 is now available for collection from the porch at the exit of the Church.

If you wish to join our Gift Aid scheme (and increase your contribution by agreeing to us claiming back the tax you have paid on your contribution), please complete the DONATION DECLARATION form available on the table at the back of the church and drop the completed form in the box that is immediately to the right of the exit to the church.

While Gift Aid boxes are available to those who require it, we encourage parishioners to donate using standing order (a regular transaction directly between your bank and the Church's account).

If you would like to make your donations using standing order (whether as part of the Gift Aid scheme or not), please complete the DONATION DECLARATION form available on the table at the back of the church and drop the completed form in the box that is immediately to the right of the exit to the church (this will let us know that you will be donating via Standing order and whether we should consider the donation for Gift Aid purposes or not). Additionally, please take a STANDING ORDER INSTRUCTION and either arrange the Standing Order via online banking (using the details in the Standing order Instruction) or complete the Standing order Instruction and hand it in to your Bank who will set it up for you.

Thank you for your generosity.

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Red boxes are available at the exit fover of the church. Thank you

HELPING OUR COMMUNITY

Any parishioner who needs food supply or knows someone who is in such need should contact the Parish Office or visit The Parish Hall on Monday & Friday 10:30 am – 12:30 pm & Sunday 10:30 am – 12:30 pm for support.

Parishioners who are willing to support this effort by donating food should contact the Parish Office or donate into the Parish Account: NATWEST St Elphege's Church Sort Code 60-22-20 A/C No. 25072528.

WORSHIPING WITHIN COVID RESTRICTIONS

NHS TRACK & TRACE

All those attending Church need to complete an NHS Track and Trace Form

Please scan the QR Code at the entrance of the Church or on the pews to sign in. iPhone users can scan the code with their camera and select the link shown. Android users may need to download a QR Code reader from the Google Play Store.

Alternatively, download the NHS Test Form from the parish website (stelphegesonline.co.uk), complete at home and bring to Church. Copies of the paper form can also be collected when entering the Church (before taking a seat), complete and when leaving the Church, drop it into the "All Purpose Box" located on the right of the exit to the Church.

Due to COVID, Altar Servers are not able to share Albs. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange collection of an Alb for your child's sole use while they are Altar Servers. The Alb should be thoroughly washed (and ironed) before they are used.

FACE MASK

In accordance with the Prime Minister's 31st July 2020 announcement, all Parishioners are requested to wear a face mask when entering the Church and while in the Church.

HAND SANITISER

To control to the spread of COVID, please sanitise your hands before entering and leaving the Church and avoid touching surfaces while in the Church. Hand sanitisers are available at the Church premises.

OTHER NOTICES

Faith & Reason: A Catholic Integration

A short, residential summer course exploring the relationship of faith with philosophy, science and culture. **Particularly helpful for catechists and teachers** fielding commonly-asked questions around Catholicism, besides anyone wanting to deepen their understanding of the Faith. Runs 5– 8 August. For more info and registration, https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/faith-and-reason/

Rosary Resources

In addition to the Pentecost Novena for the Care of Creation (16th- 24th May) the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales are releasing short podcasts of the Hail Mary being prayed in a different language every day. Visit their Facebook page. The Rosary Stronghold convenes each evening at 8 pm, and alongside praying for faith, life and peace the organisers also join in prayer with the Holy Father's Rosary Mission to invoke an end to the COVID-19 pandemic. They have arranged three special events in the latter half of May, and would particularly like to highlight the Rosary Day for Schools and Young People on 24th May, when they ask that the Rosary be prayed in Schools. They also wish to encourage the faithful to intercede for all young people, their intentions, and our Catholic schools' mission. Watch this video to find out more.

ANNUAL CATHEDRAL MARRIAGE MASS

Are you celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any later wedding anniversary this year? Or did you last year? If so, Archbishop John invites you to join him in celebrating a Mass for married couples at 3pm on Saturday October 9 at St George's Cathedral. You need to book in advance and by doing so you will then receive a personal written invitation from Archbishop John. To book or for more details email mflsw@rcaos.org.uk

DEAR HUSBAND & WIFE...

You are invited to give each other a gift by spending July 10 online between 9am and 1pm exploring and improving your relationship. The event, entitled 'Building A Better Marriage', will provide you with valuable insights into your communication skills and the call of the Church to the married. There is no group sharing. This is not marriage counselling but a chance to make average-to-good marriages a bit better – whether you married five years ago or 50. Booking is essential: telephone 07983 524 727 or email mflkent@rcaos.org.uk Recent online 'Building a Better Marriage' courses attracted the following comments from couples: 'The topics were chosen well and we could really relate to them... The personal stories you shared were very insightful and helped us to reflect on our own relationships more deeply... It was relaxed and you put us at ease, being friendly and personable... We thoroughly enjoyed attending the course.'

St George's Cathedral Chorister Recruitment

The Cathedral Consort at St George's Cathedral is for 13-18-year-olds and is currently recruiting.

The Choir meets on Wednesday afternoons and will sing for the 10 am Family Mass when restrictions allow. No previous experience is necessary, only a love of singing. This is a unique opportunity to receive a first-class music education and work with some of the best choral musicians in the Cathedral sphere. It is also a chance to experience a high level of teamwork and create musical friends. Please contact the Director of Music, Jonathan Schranz, at music@stgeorges.org.uk for further information, or visit the following page to sign up: www.stgeorgescathedral.org.uk/jointhechoir

Life in the Spirit Seminar (Tuesday in May and 1st June 2021)

The Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis and the Southwark Archdiocese Catholic Charismatic Team are pleased to offer this ongoing opportunity for personal and diocesan renewal. Through the *Life in the Spirit* Seminars, each attendee will be invited to grow in their love of the Lord, welcome the Spirit into their lives afresh, and pray for the renewal of our Diocese. Each Tuesday evening between 8 pm- 9.30 pm. the seminars will feature a talk from a gifted speaker and small group sharing. The following seminars are scheduled to take place:

New Life 18th May 2021 Speaker: Teresa Carvalho

Growth 25th May 2021 Speaker: Archbishop John Wilson

Transformation 1st June Speaker: Kathryn Murrell

Book here

Donate on World Communications Day

On World Communications Day, we take up the command of Jesus to preach the Good News of the Gospel to the whole world. The Media Team at the Bishops' Conference in England and Wales lead the way with vital communications through their website, social media, mailings, videos and photographs. They aim to foster positive links with dioceses and press, helping to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and promote the Church in all areas of life. During the pandemic they have continued to be an invaluable resource, as the Church has collectively embraced digital mission. Please ask your parishioners to support the CBCEW in their continued work in spreading the Good News.

CAFOD

As coronavirus brings devastation across India, CAFOD is working with experienced local Church agency, Caritas India, to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities. Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers, promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns, and set up safely run isolation & quarantine centres. You can donate online here: cafod.org.uk/give. Please keep praying for the people of India and all those affected by the pandemic.

Right To Life UK

The Northern Ireland Health Committee is now undertaking a consultation on the Bill and is seeking submissions from the public. It is important that as many people as possible submit to the consultation in support of the Bill to clearly show that there is widespread support for this important change. Right To Life UK has set up an easy-to-use tool on their website that makes it simple to complete your submission. You can do so by following the link below. It only takes 30 seconds! www.righttolife.org.uk/nidisabilityconsultation

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND

Thank you from Friends of the Holy Land for raising £316.64 for Christians in the Holy Land. In 2020 we helped 182 children across 14 schools and 48 university students. In 2021 we expect that number to increase sharply as the pandemic continues to hit hard. Please continue to remember FHL and those we support in your prayers.'

Our 2021 Pentecost Challenge is launched, with a focus on helping Christian families keep their children in Christian schools. Please support our Appeal by visiting our website www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/pentecost or sending a donation to FHL, Farmer Ward Road, Kenilworth CV8 2DH. You can register to join an 84-mile virtual pilgrimage between Bethlehem and Nazareth, using just 2 miles/day of your exercise. You can obtain sponsorship from friends or family or simply sponsor the parishioners you might know who are already walking, cycling or swimming! For those with children/grandchildren at local schools, why not encourage them to set up a team! For more information, email office at office@friendsoftheholyland.org.uk or telephone 01926 512980.

MISSING ITEM

A mobile phone has been found and handed to the Parish Office. The owner should contact the Parish Office with identification and collection.

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St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School Kingston From September 2021

We are seeking an exceptional Headteacher to make our Good school Outstanding Full details available from the school's website https://www.stjosephs.kingston.sch.uk/vacancies

Pope's Worldwide Prayer

The true economy, the one that creates work, is in crisis. How many people are now unemployed! — But the financial markets have never been as inflated as they are now.

How far away is the world of high finance from the lives of ordinary people!

If finance is unregulated, it becomes pure speculation driven by various monetary policies.

This situation is unsustainable. And it is dangerous.

So that the poor do not suffer painful consequences from this system, financial speculation must be carefully regulated.

Speculation. I want to underline that term.

May finance be a form of service, and an instrument to serve the people, and to care for our common home!

We still have time to begin a process of global change to practice a different kind of economy, one that is more just, more inclusive and sustainable —and leaves no one behind.

We can do this! And let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate financial markets and protect citizens from its dangers.