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MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

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Sun 21	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Patrick & Mary Holland (RIP)
Solemnity of Christ the King, Youth Day, collection for the Catholic Youth Services	9.00 am		Jeremy Ravendran & Grandparents (RIP)
	10.30 am		Deceased members of the Derrick Family
2 ND Collection Youth Day	12.00 noon		Joseph Ignatius Regis (RIP) & Jacinta Regis (Private Intentions)
Next week: The Season of Advent	5.30 pm		No Mass
Mon 22 St Cecilia	10.00am		Gilbert Pereira & Dotts Castelino (RIP)
Tues 23 Feria	10.00am		Francesco Montagnino (1st anniversary of his death)
Wed 24	10.00 am		Rotimi Keshinro (birthday thanksgiving)
St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions	10.30am-12n	oon	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
Thurs 25 Feria	10.00am		Frances & Mary Dale (RIP)
Fri 26 <i>Feria</i>	10.00am		Rosy Mathew (RIP)
	10.30am-12noon		Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Feria -	10.00am		Miya Dosieah (RIP)
	11am		Memorial for all who died in 2020 / 2021 of COVID
	10.30am-11.1 5.15pm- 6pm	5am &	Confession
	6.00pm		Johanna Power (Good health)

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK



Lord, I lift the Youth up to you and ask that you would move in their life. Reveal your calling for their life and give them the courage to obey it. Help them pursue the desires of your heart and your will for their life with passion and submission. Help them to press on with endurance regardless of the obstacles. *Amen*

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Please pray for our fellow parishioners especially:



- 1. Those who died recently: and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their Souls rest in peace
- 2. 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, Kosenat Tetteh, John Strentz, Eddie Hamilton, B. Novicki, Mary Scott, Susie King, Alex Coffey, Maggie Deleaney, Doreen Charlish, Margaret O'Flaherty, B. Novicki, Theresa Mittcosbe, Cynthia Lobendhan, Guy Saide, Luke DuCasse, Anne Jagelman, Frank Kinsella and Monir Jacob

PARISH NOTICES

Last Sunday's 2nd Collection (Columban Missionaries) - £1,015.84

Thank you all for your generosity!!

FOOD SHOP

Our food services will be opened Sunday 28th November and on every Sunday in December 2021, 11:30am - 12:30pm in the Wardroom.

READERS

On Sunday 5 December 2021, renewal of your Commitment to Service as a Reader will take place at every Mass.Please be reminded that from the first Sunday of Advent, Sunday 28 November 2021 – the Catholic Lectionary Mass booklet for readings will change to 'Book C'. Books are available for purchase at the entry and exit foyers of the church.

New members are welcome to join the reading and bidding prayer group. Please note that you must register first.

CAR PARK RESTRICTIONS:

From the **16 December 2021**, parking in the Car Park will be restricted. This is as a result of abuses and threats from different car owners. We encourage parishioners to use this time gap to register their cars using the tablets provided at the Entrance to the Church, Maurice Reaney Hall, Wardroom and Ellis Halls. Thank you

NOVEMBER- MONTH OF MEMORIAL

Please pick up envelopes at the foyers of the church for Masses and prayers for your loved ones departed. Kindly drop the envelopes in the basket at the foot of the Altar

SPECIAL MEMORIAL MASSES

A Mass will be celebrated for all loved ones who departed since COVID (2020/2021) on Saturday 27 November 2021 at 11am in the church. Come let us pray together for the faithful departed.

ADDITIONAL WEEKDAY MASS

Beginning from first week of Advent (Sunday 28 November 2021) we shall have early Morning Mass at 8:30am in the Lady's Chapel on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday. The 10am Mass still holds daily in the church. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday from 10:30am to 11:30am in addition to the Wednesday & Friday mornings.

2022 FHC REGISTRATION FOR PUPILS IN YEAR 3 AND ABOVE

FHC registration will commence from Sunday 21st November 2021, 11:30 am- 12:30 pm in the Maurice Reaney Hall. This will be carried out on every Sunday till Sunday 19th December 2021.

Registration Forms will be available at the entry and exit foyers of the church or can be downloaded on the parish website (stelpheges.co.uk).

Please <u>candidates</u> must be present at registration with their baptism certificates. A copy of Baptismal Certificate will be required if **ONLY** it was administered abroad. Registration fee is £20

RCIA COURSE

The RCIA course is on every Tuesday at 7.00pm -8:30pm in the Maurice Reaney Hall. This will run weekly till Easter

PLASTIC MILK BOTTLE TOPS

Collection of plastic milk bottle tops is back! Kindly leave your bottle tops in a box underneath the stairs at the entrance of the church. Thank you

CHURCH FOOD SERVICES

The Parish Food Services is on every Last Sunday of the month.

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

ALL ABOUT RECHECKS!

As activities resume, we must ensure that all returning and new volunteers who require a DBS, have a current check that has been issued within 3 years or are signed up to the update service. Parish activities which require DBS are: Eucharistic Minister, FHC & Confirmation Catechist, Safeguarding Representatives and Group Leaders leading children and vulnerable groups.

All parishioners who opted to support the church in various activities are required to complete an online Reference Form which will enable the Team Leaders to prepare a rota. Kindly check your emails and spam folders.

PARISH HALLS

The Parish Hall is back in operation! All interested persons who would like to book the Halls for various activities are welcomed! Please visit our website page and book online or alternatively call the Office for further enquiries.

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

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.

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

Pope Francis has convoked a Synod on Synodality spanning between October 2021 to October 2023 with the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission." For more information, read: https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2021-09/the-synod...

https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/248897/vatican-releases-synod.

https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/cti_documents/...

ST ELPHEGE'S INFANT SCHOOL (rated - OUTSTANDING 2013) ADMISSIONS FOR 2022 NOW OPEN

All parents and carers who wish their child to attend a primary school must make an application through their home local authority midnight on <u>15 January 2022</u>. To do this, please visit the Sutton website at <u>www.sutton.gov.uk/admissions</u>. The school also offers 15 or 30 hour places for Nursery aged children who will be three from September and are also open to admissions *by submitting the school supplementary form direct to the school.*

If you would like to apply to the school, please download the supplementary form from the school website or contact the school office for a copy to be sent. Tours of the school are available, again please contact the school directly to book an appointment.

Website: - http://www.stelphegesrcschools.org.uk/admissions/info School email - infant-office@stelphegesrcschools.org.uk

CONGRATULATIONS ST ELPHEGE'S JUNIOR SCHOOL - OFSTED 2021 - OUTSTANDING!!

On 14th and 15th September, St Elphege's Junior School was visited by Ofsted to carry out a Section 8 School Inspection. The purpose of a Section 8 School Inspection is to see whether a 'Good' or 'Outstanding' school has maintained its status since the last inspection. St Elphege's Junior School was previously graded 'Outstanding' in October 2015. In the time since our last inspection, the Ofsted Framework has been reviewed several times and an 'Outstanding' grading has become increasingly difficult to attain. We are delighted to share that: 'St Elphege's RC Junior School continues to be an outstanding school'. Although the infant and junior schools are two separate schools by name, they operate as one, and without everyone's hard work and dedication over many years, the schools would not be in the position they are today. The school report will be available in the coming weeks via:

www.reports.ofsted.gov.uk

PROGRESS OF THE COP26

We have in plan 4 webinars reporting on progress of the COP26 presented by Neil Thorns our Head of Advocacy present at Glasgow at the moment, Christine Allen our Director and some of the indigenous leaders that have come from Brazil. Feel free to register and share with your family and friends.

24 Hours for the Climate Vigil

What did COP26 achieve?

Looking back to a year with challenges and joys. A reflection with our Director Christine Allen

Thursday, 25 November 7:00pm-8:00pm

Hear from CAFOD Director Christine Allen and CAFOD trustees about CAFOD's challenges, joys and achievements of the past year and about our hopes for the future.

With the participation also of Neil Thorns Head of Advocacy, Communication and Education, Maria Gonzalez Head of International programmes, Kayode Akintola Country Representative - Sierra Leone & Liberia.

Register to join us

BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE

Here is a gift for husbands and wives, an opportunity to spend a morning online exploring and improving your relationship. It's for couples with average-to-good marriages who would like to make them a bit better. There is no group sharing. The date: Saturday January 8, 9am–1pm. Booking is essential: phone 07983 524 727 or email mflkent@rcaos.org.uk There is a nominal charge of £10 per couple.

BEREAVEMENT WEEKEND

GRIEF IN LOSS: HOPE IN CHRIST

Have you been bereaved? This weekend being held at Aylesford Priory is for you, for anyone who has lost a loved one through death; an opportunity to mourn but also to share with and be supported by others. The date is March 4-6. For more information phone Elizabeth Partridge on 01303 670 880 or email enquiry @thefriars.org.uk

ST. ELPHEGE CATHOLIC CHURCH, WALLINGTON COMMISSIONING MINISTERS OF THE WORD

After the Homily, those to be commissioned as parish Readers are presented to the people in these or similar words: - Dear Friends in Christ,

Our brothers and sisters N and N are to be given the great privilege of proclaiming God's Word in the Assembly. Through them, God will speak to his people of the salvation and redemption won for them by the Lord Jesus, so that, nourished by this word, the people will grow in the love and the knowledge of God.

(The celebrant pauses and then addresses the candidates)

You have been called to proclaim the word of God in the assembled community of God's people and in so doing you are sharing in the Church's mission to preach the Good News to all peoples. May God's word be living and active in your lives, that you may worship the living God in spirit and in truth.

In proclaiming God's word to others, accept it yourself in obedience to the Holy Spirit. Meditate on it constantly, so that each day you will have a deeper love for the Scriptures and in all you say and do, show forth to the world our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

After the address, the candidates stand before the celebrant who asks them these questions:-

Are you willing to become a Minister of the Word and to proclaim God's word to the people assembled in this Church? (I am)

Are you willing to prepare each proclaiming of God's word by study and prayer? (I am)

The celebrant then hands a Bible to a representative of the (or to all the readers) and prays:

Let us pray to God our loving Father and ask him to bless our brothers and sisters chosen to proclaim His Word: God our Father, you have given our brothers and sisters faith in you and in your living word. We ask you to help them grow in that faith as they mediate on your word, so that they may worthily proclaim the word to the assembly and by the manner of their lives.