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St. Elphege's Catholic Church



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MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

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Sun 12	6.00pm Vigil Mass	Michael MASSEY & Lucy MICHAEL (50th Wedding Anniversary
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY		
	09.00 am	Jeremy RAVENDRAN & Grandparents (RIP)
	10.30 am	Osa IDAH (Repose of Soul)
2 nd collection this week		
Catholic Trust Fund	12.00 noon	Patricio CTRICANO (RIP)
	5.30 pm	NO MASS
Mon 13	8:30 am	Anthony MICHAEL
St Anthony of Padua	10:00am	Mr Osa IDAH (One Year Memorial RIP)
Tue 14	8:30 am	Archbishop John WILSON (God's protection & guidance)
Feria	10.00 am	Mary Ann FOSTER (RIP)
Wed 15	8.30 am	Victor D'Sa (RIP)
Feria	10 am	Phyllis DeLORD (Birthday thanksgiving)
	10.30 am-Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thu 16	10 am	Mr Peter IMONIRO (RIP)
Feria		
Fri 17	10.00 am	Josie HODGINS (Speedy recovery)
Feria	10.30 am-Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 18	10 am	Val & Rob MANN (Thanksgiving)
Feria	1030 am- 1130am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	1030am-11.15am	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	5.15pm- 5.45pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	6 pm	Frances & Mary Ellen DALE (RIP)

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, Rosemary Day, David Uzor, John Strentz, Anne Jagelman, Susie King, Doreen Charlish, Kosenat Tetteh, Mary Scott, Margaret O'Flaherty, Luke DuCasse, B.Novicki, Brenda Kavanagh, Monir Jacob, Alex Coffey, Eddie Hamilton, Frank Kinsella, Theresa Mittcosbe, Maggie Delaney, Cynthia Lobendhan, Terry Harper, Gemma Gilligan, Diana Camilleri

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 **Amen.**

MAY 2020 COLLECTION

PARISH NOTICES

Eucharistic Ministers & Readers Meeting

Fr Patrick would like to meet with all Eucharistic Ministers and Readers after Mass for 10 minutes meeting on **Sunday 19 June** (9 am, 10.30 am & Noon) and **Saturday 2 July (6 pm)**. Please all members should endeavour to attend at least one meeting. Thank you

2022 CONFIRMATION WELCOMING MASS (Sunday 19th June @Noon)

All Candidates and their families are invited to attend this special mass. This will be followed by a bring and share reception in the Maurice Reaney Hall.

Come and receive a special blessing as you continue in life, fortified by the Holy Spirit.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

2nd Batch (FHC) – SATURDAY 11TH JUNE @ 10 am & 6 pm respectively 3rd Batch (FHC) – SUNDAY 12TH JUNE @ 12 pm

2020 PARISH FINACIAL REPORT

The Financial Report for the Parish for the year ended 31 December 2021 has been completed. Copies of this report are displayed on the Notice Boards at both entrance and exit of the Church.

SUNDAY OBLIGATIONS: WELCOME HOME!!

With the ease of almost all the lockdown regulations, the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales have decided to reinstate the Sunday Obligations. This means that every Catholic is expected to attend Mass in Church on Sunday beginning from Pentecost Sunday, 5 June 2022. However, those who, as a result of age, poor mobility, sickness or any other tenable reasons, are unable to be physically present are exempt. While we look forward to welcoming you back, we assure you that we shall make the Church as comfortable as possible for everyone. Welcome Home!

A MASS TO CELEBRATE YOUR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

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 Wilson invites you to join him in celebrating a Mass for married couples at 3 pm on Saturday, July 9 at St George's Cathedral. Book in advance and by doing so, you will receive a personal written invitation from Archbishop John. Children (and grandchildren) are welcome to accompany you to the Mass. To book or for more details email mflsw@rcaos.org.uk

Fix the Food System - CAFOD Summer Campaign

Over 800 million people go hungry each day. Yet the world produces over 4 billion tonnes of food and we only need 3.7 billion tonnes to feed everyone. From all this food produced, a third is wasted. St John Paul II called this 'the paradox of abundance.' Clearly, the current global food system is not working. But as Pope Francis said, "Each of us has a role to play in transforming food systems for the benefit of people and the planet." Let's respond to his call! CAFOD's new campaign is called Fix the Food System. See www.cafod.org.uk/food for more information, including an invitation for parish groups to learn about the impact of our food with our Fix the Food System: a 7-station journey resource.

TEA & COFFEE

You are all invited to have Tea & Coffee every Sunday after the 10.30 am every Tuesday after the 10 am Mass in the Maurice Reaney Hall.

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 2022 are now available for collection from the porch at the entrance 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 immediate to the right of the exit to the church.

While Gift Aid boxes are available to those who require them, 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 immediate 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 to your Bank who will set it up for you. Thank you for your generosity.

WORSHIPING WITHIN COVID RESTRICTIONS

Covid-19 Omicron variant - Guidance for Churches Concerning the current situation with the omicron variant it is important to ensure the following points are followed in our churches:

- That people displaying any symptoms of covid-19 should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person.
- That hand sanitiser is available to those attending the Church.
- That there is a strong recommendation for people to wear a face-covering (both nose and mouth) during the act of worship.
- That there is good ventilation and air throughput in the building; in this case, because of climatic conditions, it would be important to remind people to wrap up well in church!
- That a positive message encouraging people to get vaccinated and have the booster jab, when able, is delivered whenever possible.
 - People who are engaged in a form of pastoral ministry that involves ministry to the housebound, sick, and vulnerable should take regular lateral flow tests to ensure they are safe. These are free from the NHS

We have been informed that there is now very strong evidence to support that the main mode of transmission is through breath and nasal aerosols and that the risk from surface and touch transmission is very small indeed. As such, the strict regimes of church cleaning that were recommended at the beginning of the opening of churches for public worship are no longer necessary. General church cleaning is sufficient. If these guidance points are supported, then the churches will continue to be safe places for people to gather for acts of public worship, including over the Christmas period.

Due to COVID, Altar Servers are not able to share Albs. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange the 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: By 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 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

The Justice and Peace Spring Assembly 2022

Archdiocese of Southwark 2022 Spring Assembly by the Justice and Peace Commission on Saturday 25th June 2022 at St Paul Catholic Church, Dover, Kent CT16 1RU. Preceded by Mass at 10.00 am at St Edmunds, Dover CT16 1BB. Registration 10.40am. Programme 11 am to 4 pm. Entitled: Caught in the Act: Tackling the injustice of the Nationality and Borders Act: removal to Rwanda and difficulties for Ukrainians in the UK. Everyone welcome. Entrance is free. Lunch provided. Donations suggested. Email: jpiccontact@rcaos.org.uk or just turn up.

THE SOUTHWARK BRETHREN

The Charity of the Southwark Brethren started in 1921 and has always focused on helping the sick priests and those who are in need. Although Priests' standard of living has increased over the years, what is greatly noticed is the cost of care whether a priest chose to have care at home or decide to go into residential care or nursing care, the costs of care are extremely high and so support in this way is necessary if a priest cannot support themselves. Please send donations to either Fr Paul Hough or Fredericka Pizzoferro (Trustee) at 3 Birch Way Warlingham CR6 9DA, for further enquiries please call 07939654522. We thank you for your continuous generosity in the past and ask for your help again this year.

Stella Maris - There is a range of resources to help children learn about the world of shipping and how Stella Maris helps seafarers worldwide, from videos to lesson plans, prayers, and assembly resources. All of the lesson plans have been designed around the national curriculum and are available for Key Stages 2, 3 and 4. See: https://www.stellamaris.org.uk/take-action/get-involved/schools/

Society of Saint Gregory Summer School, 3-6 August 2022 – To be held at Belsey Bridge Conference Centre (CCT), Ditchingham, Norfolk NR35 2DZ on the theme of 'Talking, Listening, Responding: the call to be a synodal church.' This is a residential Summer School exploring and considering ways of responding to the Pope's call to build synodal communities in our parishes from the perspective of liturgy and music. Invited speakers include Bishop Peter Brignall (initiator of "The God Who Speaks", Dr Sue Price (Margaret Beaufort Institute), Maria Hall (Pontifical University of Maynooth), and Bob Hurd (USA), Rev Deacon Peter Tibke (Archdiocese of Birmingham). Talks and workshops, liturgies and music, shared meals and social time - something for everyone of all ages. Reduced rates for bookings before 1 May and Bursaries are available. Further details, and online booking, are available at https://www.ssg.org.uk/summer-school-2022/ or by emailing summer-school-2022/ or by emailto: