



14th November 2021

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MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

Sun 14 <i>THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY</i>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Denise Fernando (RIP)
<i>Today's 2nd Collection in Aid of the Columban Fathers</i>	9.00 am		Michael Davy (RIP)
	10.30 am		Missionary Society of St. Columban
	12.00 noon		Singarayar Arulamma (RIP)
	5.30 pm		No Mass
Mon 15 <i>St Albert the Great</i>	10.00am		Joseph Irons Creswell (RIP)
Tues 16 <i>Feria</i>	10.00am		Dead Religious & Friends of Barbara & John Heist
Wed 17 <i>Feria</i>	10.00 am		Elizabeth Fry (RIP)
	10.30am-12noon		Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
Thurs 18 <i>Feria</i>	10.00am		Kay Cornell (RIP)
Fri 19 <i>Feria</i>	10.00am		James Samuel (Audio/Visual upkeep)
	10.30am-12noon		Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 20 <i>Feria</i>	10.00am		Sergert O'Brien Family
	10.30am-11.15am & 5.15pm- 6pm		Confession
	6.00pm		Patrick & Mary Holland (RIP)

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK



We pray for the Columban Missionaries that the Holy Spirit may continue to protect, guide and direct them as they serve the Gospel of Christ in different [arts of the world, especially in the Far East. . *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

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL 2021

The Columban Fathers is a branch of the Columban Family (priests, religious and lay) who work as missionaries in many countries including China, Korea, Peru, Chile, Fiji, Hong Kong, Pakistan, Philippines. This year's support is focused on seeking "greater support for our Mission magazine, 'The Far East', to encourage our loyal supporters in our missionary work and to commend this to their prayers and material support. Thank you in anticipation for your kindness.

Welcome Fr. Tom!!

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Tom Ryan of the Columban Missionaries is here for Mission Appeal so that we can support the work of missions by the Columban Missionaries all over the world. We encourage parishioners to support generously.

YOUTH RETREAT

St Elphege's Church is proud to announce its first Youth Retreat on **Saturday 20 November 2021**. This will be a fantastic opportunity for young people to come together and spend time with their peers in the Lord's presence within a welcoming and relaxed environment. **Check out our "Our Youth - "Gifted in the Spirit"**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/our-youth-gifted-in-the-spirit-tickets-195624607467?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=wa&utm-term=listing>

World Day of Poverty - WDP –

Sunday 14

November 2021): Pope Francis invited us to celebrate this year's WDP with the theme "The poor you will always have with you" (Matt. 26: 11). This day gives us the opportunity to pause and reflect on the injustices endured by many of those in need; and to lend a hand of support to the poor among us.

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.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS

The UCM would like to invite all parishioners to a talk show by Joanna Bogle (well-known Catholic Journalist) who will be talking about **Sue Ryder** on Monday 15th November 2021 at 1.30pm in the Ward room of the church hall.

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 candidates 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 read 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.

WORSHIPPING 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

The Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission Autumn Assembly 2021 entitled 'COP26:

What next?' in a continued response to the huge environment issues of our time. At Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Brixton Hill, Saturday 20th November from 10am onwards. Entrance is free. Everyone welcome. Email jpcontact@rcaos.org.uk to reserve your place. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee provided.

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 **15 January 2022**. To do this, please visit the Sutton website at www.sutton.gov.uk/admissions. 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?](#)

Wednesday, 17 November 7:00pm-8:00pm

Join us to hear Neil Thorns, our Head of Advocacy, and Robin Mace-Snaith, our Policy Analyst for Climate and Energy, discuss the outcomes of COP26 and the impact on the world's most marginalised communities. [Register to join us](#)

[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 MARRAGE

A morning online marriage-enrichment course for couples with average-to-good marriages. Please publicise using the attached flyer as well as the parish newsletter cut-and-paste item below.

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

This Aylesford weekend is for those bereaved. A cut-and-past item for your newsletter follows.

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