



# ST. ELPHEGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2022

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## MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

Sun 27 <i>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)</i>	6.00 pm	Emmanuel NMETTE (RIP)
	<b>Vigil Mass</b>	
	09.00 am	Savitri CHARLES (Thanksgiving)
	10.30 am	Joe JOHNSON (Good estate)
	12.00 noon	YOUTH RETREAT THANKSGIVING MASS
	5.30 pm	NO MASS
Mon 28 <i>Feria</i>	8:30 am	Michael (RIP)
	10:00 am	Alcant & Eva PEREIRA (RIP)
Tue 29 <i>Feria</i>	8:30 am	Gill WALKER (RIP)
	10.00 am	Jake JOHNSON (God's protection & guidance)
Wed 30 <i>St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland</i>	8.30 am	Sally JOHNSON (RIP)
	10 am	Eddie & Edviges PEREIRA (RIP)
	10.30 am-Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thu 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec <i>Feria</i>	10 am	A. SAVARIMUTHU (RIP)
Fri 2 <i>Feria</i>	10.00 am	Joe & Theresa JOSEPH (Good estate)
	10.30 am-Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 3 <i>St Francis Xavier, Priest, Memorial</i>	10 am	Caezar PEREIRA (RIP) Tracy KILLICK(RIP)
	1030 am- 1130am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	<b>1030am-11.15am</b>	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
	<b>5.15 pm- 5.45 pm</b>	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
	6 pm	James JOHNSON & Family (Success in business)

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS ESPECIALLY

- Those who died recently: Emmanuel Nmettte .....and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace.
- 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

As we ponder the hope found in the second coming of our saviour, we pray for all those in need of hope. We pray especially for those contemplating having an abortion, that they would be reminded of the hope God brings and His fundamental desire for our good. We pray also that, as a society, we would become channels of God's hope, providing support to all pregnant women. AMEN

## PARISH NOTICES

### TEA PARTY

The Linen and Cleaning Team would like to invite all parishioners to a tea party on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2022** after **10.30 am** Mass at the Maurice Reaney Hall! Please come and let us celebrate as we kickstart the festive celebrations!

### NEW LITURGICAL YEAR

The New Liturgical begins on the **First Sunday of Advent**, 27 November 2022. Please change your Mass Book to "cycle A" volume 1.

Those intending to book Masses for 2023 ahead of time can do so in the Parish Office.

### SAVE THE DATE -PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY!

*Jesus is the reason for the Season!*

*Come along and let's share and celebrate together!*

The Social Events Team will be organising the St Elphege's Christmas Party on **Sunday 18 December 2022**, 1 – 5 pm at the Maurice Reaney Hall,

Activities: Food, Art and Craft, Face painting, Games, Carols and a lot of festive cheer

Competition: Decorate Christmas card or reef. Deadline for submission, **Sunday 4th December**, collection point Maurice Reaney Hall. All submissions will be displayed for all to see!

### CHRISTMAS PARTY APPEAL

Please donate any new, unused and unwanted gifts and drop these in the box provided at the entrance foyer of the church. Thank you

### CHURCH FOOD LARDER

The Food Larder will be opened on **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022** from 11.30 am- 12.30 pm. Kindly inform family & friends who are in need!

### 2023 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION

We are glad to introduce an online application for First Holy Communion registration. The link could be found on the parish website(stelphages.co.uk) under Notices. The registration is open to children in Year 3 and above. After the registration, parents & carers are required to come along with their children and submit their baptism certificate on any of the following Sundays; November 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> and on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> from 11.30 am to 12.30 pm in Maurice Reaney Hall. The registration fee is £20. **Please note that registration is incomplete until you submit your child's Baptism certificate. Thank you**

### RCIA COURSE

The RCIA program is ongoing.....

*RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. It's a series of interactive classes for all who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith and perhaps take steps toward becoming Catholic. It is also for anyone who is Catholic but not confirmed or just anyone who would like a better understanding of their Catholic beliefs.  
All are welcome!*

### BAPTISM

Application Forms are now available online - this can be found under the Sacrament.

Please read the Baptism guide before completing the form. Thank you

## OTHER NOTICES

**A free short reflection brought to you each day of Advent:**

***Advent can be such a busy demanding time, but we encourage you to make some space to reflect and pray this advent.***

Sign up for our free Southwark Diocesan 'daily advent reflections' to aid your prayer.

Every day during advent you will receive an email with a very brief thought for the day based on the daily reading. It is an opportunity to listen to God's invitation to you this advent. All you have to do is sign up and then set aside a couple of minutes each day to reflect! Sign up via the Commission website:

<http://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/> clicking on the Advent Reflection box. Alternatively, if you are viewing this online, you can sign up directly by clicking here: <https://southwarkdsc.us11.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=a3e1dce7f8f666e9d64edd867&id=4f880b3b9c>

The Friends of Westminster Cathedral are holding the following events to support Westminster Cathedral. Both events are to be held at 7 pm in Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, London SW1P 1QJ.

**22 November: Katharine Parr: The Sixth Wife. Talk by Alison Weir 7 pm £10**

**23 November: Cathedral Quiz with fish and chip supper. 7 pm £18 Tickets from friends@rcdow.org.uk**

**ST ELPHEGE'S INFANT SCHOOL (rated - OUTSTANDING 2013) ADMISSIONS FOR 2023 NOW OPEN**

All parents and carers who wish their child to attend a primary school must make an application through their home local authority by midnight on **15 January 2023**. To do this, please visit the Sutton website a. The school also offers 15 and 30-hour places for Nursery aged children who will be three from September 2023 and are also open to admissions *by submitting the school supplementary form directly* 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](mailto:infant-office@stelphegesrcschools.org.uk)

Baroness Sheila Hollins will deliver the Catholic Union Craigmyle Lecture on "**Keeping Children and Vulnerable Adults Safe – Insights from the Vatican**" at the University of Notre Dame (1 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HG). **Monday 28 November 6.30 pm (Doors 6 pm)**. In-person and live stream. Free, all welcome and followed by a Drinks Reception. To register and for the Livestream link, see [Eventbrite](#) or register at [info@catholicunion.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicunion.org.uk) or 020 8749 1321. Please subscribe to the Catholic Union's [Weekly Briefing](#) and for further information please visit [www.catholicunion.org.uk](http://www.catholicunion.org.uk)

**PACT** (Prisoners Advice and Care Trust) have an urgent plea for Women's warm clothing, particularly jackets and coats size 18 + for women in Downview Prison. Please contact Marie Norbury (07581 194907) or Barbara Kirk (07946700689) if you can kindly donate any of these items. Alternatively, you can drop it off at the church.

**VACANCIES**

**THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL – VACANCIES**

We are currently looking to recruit for 2 vacant posts, both with a January start:

- Part-time Chaplain (2-3 days/week)
- Part-time Cleaner (20 hours/week)

Please visit the school's website for more information.

<https://www.johnfisherschool.org/our-school/career-opportunities>