#### **11<sup>™</sup> DECEMBER 2022**



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#### MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

Sun 11	6.00 pm Vigil Mass	John BARRETTO, Fidelis MASCARENHAS, Mario MOREIRA (RIP)
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)	09.00 am	Prayer for Sacristans
	10.30 am	Anton SOOSAINAYAHAM (RIP)
	12.00 noon	ABALO'S FAMILY (Peace & Healing)
	5.30 pm	NO MASS
Mon 12 Feria	8:30 am	Repose of the soul of Elizabeth TUNNARD
	10:00 am	Joe JOHNSON (Private Intention)
Tue 13	8:30 am	Joseph BRENNAN (Birthday thanksgiving)
St Lucy Virgin & Martyr	10.00 am	James JOHNSON &Family (God's protection)
Wed 14	8.30 am	Gill WALKER (RIP)
St John of the Cross, Priest &Dr	10 am 10.30 am-Noon	Jake Johnson-Lloyd (Prayer for protection & God's guidance) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 Thu 15	10 am	Sally JOHNSON (God's favour)
Feria	6 pm	St Elphege's School Carol Service
Fri 16	10.00 am	Shelly JOHNSON (RIP)
Feria	10.30 am-Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 17	10 am	Mom & Frank ELLEMS (RIP)
Feria	1030 am- 1130am 1030am-11.15 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation
	<b>5.15 pm- 5.45 pm</b> 6 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation Repose of the soul Allan ROOKE

## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS ESPECIALLY

- 1. Those who died recently: **Gill Walker** whose funeral is on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022 @ 2.30 pm** 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, Mendonca

#### PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

On Thursday, we celebrated the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Like the Blessed Virgin Mary, God has lovingly and specially prepared a mission for each of us. Let us pray that all unborn children would be welcomed and cherished so that they, too, may set out to fulfil the mission the Lord has planned for them. AMEN

## **PARISH NOTICES**

### **LIVESTREAM**

This is to notify parishioners that we are back to Livestreaming on all our social websites!

#### FHC 2023

**Final registration is on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2022.** The link could be found on the parish website(stelpheges.co.uk) under Notices. The registration is open to children in Years 3 and above. Please note that registration is incomplete until you submit your child's Baptism certificate. Thank you

#### **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!

## **FOOD LARDER**

This is on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2022** from **11.30 am- 12.30 pm** as the shop will not be open on the **last Sunday** of this month. Merry Christmas to you all!

## **CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE (ST ELPHEGE'S SCHOOL)**

All are cordially invited to St Elphege's School Carol Service on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022, at 6 pm in the church.

### PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Jesus is the reason for the Season! Come along and let's share and celebrate together!

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 wreath. The deadline for submission is Sunday 11th 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

## **CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

Christmas Reconciliation Service will be on **Thursday 22 December 2022 at 6. 30pm**. Kindly make use of this opportunity to avail yourself of Confessions and be ready for Christmas.

# THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS

- Christmas Eve Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2022 10 am, 4 pm (Family Mass), 6 pm
- Christmas Day Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2022 12 am, 9 am, 10:30am & 12 pm
- St Stephen's Day Monday 26<sup>th</sup> December 2022 10 am (Renewal of commitment and commissioning of new Altar Servers)
- Family Adoration Wednesday 28th December 2022 10.35 am
- Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 -10 am,6 pm & 11.45 pm (Crossover Night all are invited)
- Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 -9 am,10:30 am & 12 pm

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

# Vacancy for Foundation Governor at St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls

There is a vacancy available for a Foundation Governor from the Spring term of the academic year 2022/2023. We would be most interested to hear from practising Catholics with expertise in either Law, Finance or HR. If you are interested please contact our Clerk to the Governors by email <a href="mailto:cmingay@stphils.org.uk">cmingay@stphils.org.uk</a> at your earliest convenience.