ST. ELPHEGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

SUN 29	6.00 pm	Rajanayagam LOUIS(RIP)
	Vigil Mass	Mrs Agartha AIKINS (Celebration of Life)
4 th SUNDAY (A)	09.00 am	Ivy DAVY (RIP)
	10.30 am	Allen ROOKE(RIP)
	12.00 noon	Jeremy RAVENDRAN & Grandparents (RIP)
	5.30 pm	NO MASS
Mon 30	8:30 am	Sanctification and Healing for the People of China
Feria	10:00 am	Fr HOUGH (Birthday Thanksgiving)
Tue 31	8:30 am	Mr Francis OSUNDE (Good Estate)
St John Bosco, Priest	10.00 am	Michael OSBALDESTON(RIP)
Wed 1	8.30 am	Dr Lionel IHENYEN (Good Estate)
Feria	10 am	Nino GOMEZ (RIP)
	10.30 am-Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thu 2 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	10 am	Lucy UFO (God's guidance & protection) Christopher WILLIAMSON (RIP)
Fri 3	10.00 am	Joe & Theresa JOSEPH
St Laurence of Canterbury	10.30 am-Noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 4	10 am	Anne HARIS(RIP)
Feria	1030 am- 1130am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	1030am-11.15 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	6 pm	The MORAN Family (Thomas, Kathleen & Bernie) RIP

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS ESPECIALLY

- 1. Those who died recently: **Florence Herzog** and **Christopher Williamson** 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

We pray for all who work in maternity units with expectant mothers, that they may recognise that God is truly with us in each unborn child. Amen

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH CALENDAR 2023

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- o **F**r Gerard 60th Birthday- Saturday 11th February 2023
- o Easter Party Sunday 9th April 2023
- Confirmation Mass Sunday 7th May 2023
- Archbishop visit- Sunday 14th May 2023
- o First Holy Communion Friday 9TH, Saturday 10TH & Sunday 11TH June 2023
- o FHC 4TH Coming Mass Sunday 18th June 2023, time TBC
- o Fr Patrick @30 a Priest -Friday 30th June
- Parish BBQ- Sunday 27TH August
- Parish Retreat-TBC
- Youth Retreat-TBC
- Parish Christmas Party- Sunday 17th December
- **Please note that dates are subject to change

FLAME IS RETURNING TO WEMBLEY ARENA ON SATURDAY 4TH MARCH 2023.

If you happen to be in Year 8 and above please visit the parish website and register. The link can be found under Notices (NEWS)

This will be the fifth Flame Congress, and over the years thousands of young people from the Diocese have taken part in this full-day event which is full of energy, prayer, joy and hope.

Just before Christmas, we heard the tremendous news that **Cardinal Tagle** will be amongst the speakers at Flame. He has spoken to many, many thousands of young people all over the world, and he will be sure to inspire our young people.

He joins the **President of the Australian Bishops Conference, Salesian Archbishop of Melbourne, Tim Costelloe, SDB,** who is flying halfway across the world to be at Flame.

Among the musicians are MOBO and Urban Music Award winner Guvna B, rising star Faith Child, Catholic band One Hope Project and soloist Adenike – Adenike was a 17-year-old at a previous Flame, and since then has been a Finalist on The Voice.

Other speakers during the day include **Robert Billot**, an American lawyer who is the main character in the film Dark Waters; **Jenny Garzón Saavedra** a young advocate joining us from the Amazon rainforest; we will hear an original reflection from **David Wells**; and **Brenden Thompson and Georgia Clarke from Catholic Voices** will be introducing Adoration, led by **Cardinal Vincent Nichols**.

CHILDREN'S ROSARY, SATURDAY 4TH FEBRUARY AT 10.35 AM.

All children, young people and parents are welcome. Bring your friends!

FR GERARD'S 60TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The Parish will be celebrating Father Gerard's 60th birthday on **Saturday 11th February 2023**. The celebration will start with the **6 pm Mass** followed by a reception in our usual bring and share **7 pm – 10 pm** in the Maurice Reaney Hall.

Tea and Cake Sales!!

The Young Adults would like to invite all parishioners to their cake sales which will be running on the 5^{th} , 12^{th} & 26^{th} of February after the 10.30 am Mass. Please come and support them

FOOD SERVICES

Food Larder will be opened on Sunday 29th January 2023 from 11.30 am – 12.30 pm. We also have a giveaway of clothing, shoes and toys. Kindly inform a friend in need! Thank you

FHC 2023

We would like to inform parents and carers that, the starting date and time for FHC lessons are yet to be announced. The Catechist Lead will notify us when is ready and will be published in the parish newsletter. Thank you

FLAME 2023 PLEASE DONATE!

our young people are called this year to

Rise up after the pandemic, Rise up as young Catholics, Rise up – as Mary did – for the surprising and beautiful adventure that is our Catholic faith

Look out for raffles, cake sales and retiring collections - starting February 2023. You can also sponsor Confirmation Catechist Stacy to walk around London for 26 miles! Just scan the QR code. Alternatively, you can donate to the parish Social Account RCAOS St Elphege Social Club Sort Code 60-22-20 A/C No. 25072528 Ref: Youth Ministry



COMMISSIONING OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The next commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers will be held at the Metropolitan Cathedral Church of St George Lambeth Road, Southwark, SE1 6HR on **Saturday 11th February 2023** from **10.00 am** concluding with Mass at 2.30 pm.

Please if you have been DBS checked and completed your course as a Minister submit your name to the parish office latest by **3rd February 2023**. Thank you

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

MARRIAGE WEEK

This annual event takes place from February 7-14. If you are fortunate enough to be in a marriage you should look after it – and there are several ways of doing just that: visit https://marriage-week.org.uk/

BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE

How to get the marriage you want out of the marriage you have. This Saturday morning online course on February 18 is aimed at couples with average-to-good marriages who would like to improve their relationship further and gain insights into their communication and the call of the Church to the married. There is no personal sharing between couples. For details email Carole on mflkent@rcaos.org.uk or phone 07983 524 727.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Have you suffered a divorce or separation? If so, there is a residential weekend to help you heal being held from April 21-23 at the Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. For more details, ring Freda on 01322 838415 or email besouthofengland@gmail.com

Marriage Encounter England and Wales.

The marriage enrichment courses offer a unique opportunity for couples to rekindle their relationships and focus on what is important to them.

Our experience helped us to understand each other more and reminded us that we had made a sacramental marriage in front of our families and God. The Marriage Encounter course also helped us with our relationships with our children. For us, our experience was a gift from God. Our upcoming Experience will be held in Hendon on the 11th & 12th of February 2023 at St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, St Joseph's Grove, The Burroughs, Hendon, London, NW4 4TY.

For further information and to book an experience https://wwme.org.uk.