



ST. ELPHEGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

9TH FEBRUARY 2025

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK. "On Tuesday, we commemorate the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Let us especially pray for all those who are nearing the end of their lives, that they may experience God's comfort and peace. We pray too for medical professionals who work in hospice care, that they might continue to safeguard the dignity and well-being of all patients, made in the image and likeness of God. Amen

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

(REQUESTED BY)

SUN 9 5 th Sunday (C) 2 nd Collection Next Week Racial Justice	6.00 pm Vigil Mass	All Souls in the Parish, Daniel & Karen SCANLAN & Family	Christina
	09.00 am	Remedios Cosmos PEREIRA (RIP)	Laureta
	10.30 am	Sandra	Prisca
	12.00 pm	Helen LIGORY (Healing & God's intervention)	Ranji
Mon 10 St Scholastica	8.30 am	Alex Coffie (RIP)	Grace
	10.00 am	George (RIP)	Thomas
Tue 11 Feria	08.30 am	Prayer for the Sick	The Parish
	10.00 am	Solamen VICTOR (RIP)	Thomas
Wed 12 Feria	08.30 am	John Edem UDOH (RIP)	The Parish
	10.00 am	Bennan (RIP)	Thomas
	10.30 am to 7.00 pm	Exposition /Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Thu 13 Feria	8.30 am	Fr Henry WENNA (RIP)	The Parish
	10.00 am	Lyza (RIP)	Thomas
Fri 14 Ss Cyril, Monk & Methodius	8.30 am	Douglas John MUTEBI (Birthday Thanksgiving)	Olivia
	10.00 am	Rose De Sa (RIP)	Lauren
	10.30 am-noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Sat 15 Feria	10.00 am	Thanksgiving & Blessings received through the intercession of Mother Mary & St Jude	Joel
	10.30 am to 11.45 am	Reconciliation	
	5.15 pm to 5.45 pm	Reconciliation	
	6.00 pm	Paul BLUNNIE (RIP)	Christina
Sunday 16 6 th Sunday (c)	09.00 am	Manuel PAPILSON (RIP), Sushma & Shaun RENJEEV (Birthday Thanksgiving)	Ravi Sushma
	10.30 am	Augustina Owusu Donkoh (RIP)	Patricia
	12.00 noon	Bernice NWABUEZE (Birthday Thanksgiving)	Bernice

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS ESPECIALLY

1. The sick, the isolated, and their careers, especially those within our own Parish Community:

Jackie Van Elswick	Rosemary Day	Kosenat Tetteh	Luke DuCasse	Terry Harper	David Uzor
Therese Mittcosbe	Margaret O'Flaherty	Frank Kinsella	Thomas Pereira	John Strentz	Susie King
Pathmini Soosai	Diana Camilleri	Doreen Charlish	Alex Coffey	Mendonca	Monir Jacob
Cynthia Lobendhan	Eddie Hamilton	Anne Jagelman	Grace Quansah	Aubrey Jiggins	Catherine Torode

For those who recently died, Alex Coffey's funeral Mass will be on Mon 11 February 2025 @ 12 pm and for those whose anniversaries are now. May their souls rest in peace AMEN

PARISH NOTICES

Hope in Adoration.

As part of the Jubilee Year, Archbishop John is encouraging people to turn to the Lord Jesus in Eucharistic adoration and have their hopes "fulfilled by Christ". The campaign, Hope in Adoration, will share testimonies from parish priests and laity throughout the year on how Eucharistic adoration has helped them build a closer relationship with the Lord Jesus. Resources will also be made available for free and there is a comprehensive list of times of Eucharistic adoration in parishes across the Archdiocese. Find out more about the campaign at rcaos.org.uk/hopeinadoration

Attention Eucharistic Ministers

We kindly ask all Eucharistic Ministers to check their emails for important updates regarding the renewal of your DBS. Please note that the **new rota** will apply **only to those who have completed their DBS clearance**.

If you need your DBS processed, be sure to contact the parish office at wallington@rcaos.org.uk as soon as possible.

Important: Check the new rota to confirm if you have been scheduled. I appreciate your cooperation!

BINGO!! BINGO! BINGO!!

Date: 9th February 2025

Time: 11.30 am – 1 pm

Location: ELLIS HALL

Attention all 13-17 year olds!

You are invited to a **Day Retreat** hosted by NET Ministries!

Location: St George's Cathedral, Southwark

Date: Saturday, 22nd February 2025

Join us for an inspiring day filled with faith, friendship, and fun. Do not miss this opportunity to grow spiritually, connect with others, and experience something unforgettable! We can not wait to see you there! For further information contact Joe or Stacy

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Join us for our new Bible Study group as we journey through the life of Christ, focusing on the Gospel of St. Luke. Whether you are new to Sacred Scripture or have a deep understanding, all are welcome!

This is a chance to grow in your knowledge of God and deepen your love for Him in a supportive and welcoming environment.

Deut. 11:18 "You shall therefore lay up these words of mine in your heart and your soul, and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes."

When: Every Thursday, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Where: Wardroom

AGE : 18 years and above We look forward to seeing you there!

REQUEST FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEWSLETTER SICK LIST

As per the diocese's regulations, anyone wishing to have their name added to the newsletter sick list is kindly requested to contact the parish office. A form will need to be completed to process the request.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation

MASS INTENTIONS

We warmly invite parishioners to request Mass intentions for meaningful occasions such as thanksgiving, anniversaries, birthdays, and the repose of souls. To make your request, envelopes are conveniently located at the church's entry and exit foyers. Alternatively, feel free to visit the parish office, open Tuesday through Friday between 10 AM and 4 PM.

Dear Parishioners

As we strive to keep our church a welcoming and tidy place for everyone, we kindly ask for your assistance with the following:

- **Please return hymn books to their designated shelves after use.**
- **Kindly dispose of any used tissues in the bins provided, rather than leaving them behind.**

Your thoughtfulness helps us maintain the beauty and sanctity of our space. Thank you for your cooperation and care for our shared place of worship.

PARISH REGISTRATION UPDATE

We kindly remind every parishioner to ensure they are registered with the parish. The registration link can be found on the parish website's homepage (stelpheges.co.uk). We want to reach out to those individuals who have registered for various activities in the church but may not have been active recently. An email will be sent to you to check and encourage your continued involvement. If we do not hear back from you and do not receive any updates regarding your circumstances, we may need to remove your name from our records. Thank you for your understanding and your assistance in keeping our records accurate is greatly appreciated. Thank you!



Pope Francis has announced that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee – an event that happens every 25 years. The theme for the upcoming Jubilee is “Pilgrims of Hope”. The 2025 Jubilee will begin in Advent 2024 and will run until the Feast of the Epiphany in 2026. In the parish, we shall emphasise and encourage more prayer groups and pilgrimages within and outside the country. We will soon announce activities for the Jubilee Year in the parish and encourage everyone to participate. Thank you.

CATHOLIC DIRECTORY 2025 READY FOR PURCHASE

The 2025 Catholic Directory are now available at the foyers of the church, the cost is £6.50. Thank you

Southwark Archdiocese Rosary Prayer Project:

Everyone is warmly invited to join this Archdiocese-wide prayer initiative, praying a decade of the Rosary each day for priests and parishes in their deanery. You can either join the Sutton Deanery WhatsApp Group to unite with others via the QR code on the poster or your own or in a group. For details see the poster on the noticeboard, pick up an invitation leaflet at the back of the church or email southwarkrenewal@gmail.com.

JOIN US IN SERVING OUR COMMUNITY!

Our parish relies on its members' active involvement and commitment, and we would greatly appreciate your consideration in volunteering. Whether you have a little time to spare or can commit to a regular role, your participation can make a big difference. We are currently seeking volunteers for the following areas: Flower Arrangers, Children's Liturgy, First Holy Communion Catechists and Counters. These activities take place once a month except Holy Communion. If you are interested, please email your details to the parish office at wallington@rcaos.org.uk.

GIFTAID ENVELOPES

Please be informed that the GiftAid envelopes for the year 2024 are available for collection. Envelopes for new signups are also available. Each box is assigned a name tag, so kindly check the exit foyer of the church to collect your respective envelopes. Thank you.

CARD PAYMENTS

Attention all parishioners, we would like to inform you that a contactless machine is available for all transactions at the entry and exit foyers of the church. In the event of a system failure, you can visit the parish website (stelphages.co.uk) and click on the "Donate to the Parish" option to make a payment. Thank you

OTHER NOTICES

CARITAS ACADEMY (JOIN US ONLINE On Zoom)

Caritas Social Action Network is launching Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction, an online course for parish staff and volunteers. The programme will be spread over five one-hour Zoom sessions each Tuesday in March and 01 April 2025.

The course is aimed at parishioners who are unfamiliar with Catholic Social Teaching or who would welcome a refresher. We will also hear from CSAN members who work on the front line of poverty and exclusion, bringing our theoretical discussions to life.

The course fee is £95 for all five sessions, which includes a copy of Raymond Friel's book, Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction for Schools, Parishes, and Charities.

Get in touch with course administrator, Bernadette, at bernadette.durcan@csan.org.uk

WIN A TRIP TO MEDJUGORJE

Medjugorje Irish Centre Free Prize draw taking place on 1st April. The prize for one person includes 7 nights B&B, return airport transfer and flights up to €300.

To enter go to the prize draw page on the website

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