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St Elphege's Catholic Church

**Sunday 12th October 2025****Parish Administrator:** Fr. Patrick Udotai**Parish Office:** Tuesday-Friday 9 am - 5 pm**E-mail:** wallington@rcaos.org.uk**Assistant Parish Priest:** Fr. Charles Ozurumba**Parish Secretary:** Mrs Sandra Anima Tsiboe Tel: 020 8647 5079**Website:** www.stelpheges.co.uk**The Federation of St. Elphege's & Regina Caeli Catholic Schools:****Executive Head of Schools:** Mr Martin Jones**Head of St Elphege's School:** Mr Laurence Hawkes Tel: 020 8669 6306**Head of Regina Coeli's School:** Mrs Tessa Christoforou Tel: 020 8688 4582

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK: This week, we will celebrate the feast day of St Gerard Majella, the patron saint of expectant mothers. We pray for all who work in maternity units with pregnant women, that they may recognise that God is truly with us in each unborn child. Amen

Mass Intentions and Prayers

Requested by

Sun 12 28 th Sunday (C) This Week's 2 nd Collection for CAFOD Next week's 2 nd Collection is for Missio	6:00pm Vigil Mass 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm	All Deceased SCANLAN Family (RIP) Jose ANTONY (Death Anniversary) Oduname Raphael OSUNDE (RIP) Aileen McCORRY	Christina Rose Victor Ronica
Mon 13 St Edward the Confessor	8:30am 10:00am	NO MASS Jack HALE	
Tue 14 Feria	8:30am 10:00am 7:15pm	NO MASS Thanksgiving Mass to Mother Mary & B'day Thanksgiving Olivia NO MASS	Olivia
Wed 15 St Teresa of Jesus	8:30am 10:00am 10:30am - 7:00pm	NO MASS Jesus, Mary & Joseph Thanksgiving Exposition / Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Val
Thu 16 Feria	8:30am 10:00am	NO MASS Tom & Winnie McDonaugh (wellbeing)	Tom
Fri 17 St Ignatius of Antioch	8:30am 10:00am 10:30 - noon	NO MASS Mary, Irene & Madeline Manivel (RIP) Exposition / Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Calista
Sat 18 St Luke	10.00 am 10.30 am to 11.45 am 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm 6:00pm	Sebastian, Sonia & Family Thanksgiving Charlie Delaney (RIP) Reconciliation Reconciliation Dymphna Raff Rafferty	Rose Margaret
Sun 19 29 th Sunday (C) This Week's Collection 2 nd Collection for Missio	9:00am 10:30am 12:00 noon	Robert POWDERHAM (RIP) Uyi IDAH (B'day Thanksgiving) Tommy DARCY (RIP)	Mary Virginia Frank

In our thoughts and prayers - Please pray for our fellow parishioners especially the sick, the isolated, and their carers within our parish community:

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

Those who died recently... and those whose anniversaries occur now. May their souls rest in peace Amen.

Parish Notices

JOIN THE CELEBRATION!

The October Borns warmly invite all parishioners to their joint birthday celebration!

Sunday, 12th October

Ellis Hall

After the 10:30 AM and 12:00 PM Masses

Come for: Cake galore, dancing & laughter, treats and goodies for everyone. It is going to be joyful, delicious, and full of fun —Don't miss out on the party of the season!

Sparks of Light – an event that enables others to encounter Jesus Christ in and through his Church; supported by the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis.

Are you interested in reaching out to others, beyond the walls of the church? Then this day is for you. It simply involves an invitation to enter a Catholic Church, to light a candle for a loved one, to chat with a team of friendly volunteers, or to just experience the peace of the Church. Input will be provided by Maria Heath, Director of Mission Northampton, and you will have the opportunity to share the love of Christ in practical ways.

Saturday, 18th October, 10:30 am – 3:30 pm, St Elphege's Church, Wallington, SM6 9AY

Contact Kathy Ball, Deanery Mentor for Evangelisation: edmsutton@rcaos.org.uk

Prisoners' Sunday – 19 October

Representatives from Pact (Prison Advice and Care Trust) will visit on Sunday, 19th October to give a speech on the vital work they do to support prisoners, offering hope and helping them turn their lives around. Pact works to ensure prisoners can stay connected to their families and rebuild relationships — a crucial step in preventing reoffending and promoting positive futures.

Please consider supporting this essential work through prayer, awareness, or donation. Your support helps bring hope, dignity, and second chances to those in prison and their loved ones. Thank you.

MONTH OF THE ROSARY – OCTOBER

The Legion of Mary invites you to welcome the statue of Our Lady of Fatima into your home for one week of prayer and reflection, starting 30th September 2025.

To participate, please contact: wallington@rcaos.org.uk or legionofmary.wallington@gmail.com

We also invite you to join us in praying the Rosary daily at 6:00 p.m. throughout October, either in church or online. Let this be a time to grow in faith, find peace, and draw closer to Our Lady and Our Lord. Ave Maria!

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF WEEKDAY MASSES

Please note that the 8:30 AM weekday Mass and the 7:15 PM Tuesday Mass are temporarily suspended until the arrival of our new Assistant Priest. We apologise for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

RCIA COURSE – TUESDAYS AT 7 P.M. | ELLIS HALL

Are you new to the Catholic faith or seeking to complete your sacraments? The **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** is for you! Join us every **Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Ellis Hall** to explore the Catholic faith in a welcoming and supportive environment. Whether you are unbaptised, not yet confirmed, or simply curious — **all are welcome!**

YOUNG CATECHIST PROGRAM 2025 "FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST CARLO ACUTIS"

We are inviting young people who have been confirmed to join the Confirmation Team this year!

Be encouraged.

Step out in faith.

Grow in Christ.

Share your love for the Lord.

Do not worry — you will be fully supported by our dedicated team, led by Stacy.

Interested? Contact Fr. Patrick or the Parish Office to learn more

YEAR 9 CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

Online registration for Year 9 Confirmation Candidates is now open. QR Codes for registration are available in the church foyers and on the parish website under the "Notices" section. To confirm your registration, a face-to-face interview will start on the following

Sundays: 14 September through to Sunday the 12th of October, from 11.30 am – 12.30 pm in the Ellis Hall

We kindly encourage all eligible candidates to attend in person and to bring the following documents:

- Baptism Certificate
- First Holy Communion Certificate
- Registration Fee: £20

For more information, please contact Dr. Stacy John-Legere at: wallingtonconfirmation@rcaos.org.uk

A life-changing opportunity!

Do you desire to know Jesus more intimately?

The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) is a two-year online course for all in Southwark and beyond who wish to understand their faith more profoundly and be able to share it with both confidence and joy.

The course will commence on 18 October 2025, and the cost will be £400 per year. The full cost of the course, payable over 2 years, is £800. Additionally, registration must be completed in advance, and a non-refundable registration fee of £50 applies.

Further details can be found here: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>

Note: For previous courses, we have suggested a sharing of the total cost between the participant and the parish. We suggest that you may wish to consider this arrangement.

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 must be completed to process the request. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

GIFTAID ENVELOPES

Kindly be informed that the Gift Aid envelopes for the year 2025 are available for collection. Envelopes for new signups are also accessible. Each box is designated with a name tag; therefore, we kindly request that you check the exit foyer of the church to collect your respective envelopes. Those individuals who have not yet enrolled in the Gift Aid program and are taxpayers are encouraged to obtain a Gift Aid Form and register. The forms are available in both foyers of the church. Thank you.

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.

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 (stelpheges.co.uk) and click on the "Donate to the Parish" option to make a payment. Thank you.

Other notices