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St Elphege's Catholic Church

Sunday 10th May 2026

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK: Prayer for the week. "As we approach the Ascension of the Lord, this coming Thursday, we ask the Lord to protect in body and spirit all those who are in hospice care and all those who are terminally ill. May they feel the warmth of God's comforting presence and find strength and hope in their time of need.

Amen

Mass Intentions and Prayers

Requested by

Sun 10 6 th Sunday of Easter (A) Next Week's 2 nd Collection for World Communications Day	6:00pm Vigil Mass 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm	People of the Parish Mr DIEGO & Mrs Lily PAES (Death And B'day in heaven) Elgin SLADEN (Thanksgiving) Gratitude to Confirmation Catechists	Susan VASANTHA
Mon 11 Feria	8:30am 10am	Fr Patrick (Thanksgiving Mass) Fr. Charles OZURUMBA (Thanksgiving Mass)	Rose Rose
Tue 12 Feria	8:30am 10:00am 7:15pm	George SIKKING Phynix CANN (B'day Thanksgiving) Okogho Family (God's strength & protection)	Helen Savi Annie
Wed 13 Feria	8.30 am 10.00 am 10.30 am - 7 pm	Fr David FOX (RIP) Josephina JOSEPH (RIP) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Thomas
Thu 14 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	8.30 am 10 am 7.30 pm	Godwin UNEGBE (B'day Thanksgiving) Savi & Family (Thanksgiving & God's protection) People of the Parish	Helen Savi
Fri 15 Feria	8.30 am 10 am 10.30 am - Noon	Fr Niall THORNTON (RIP) Margaret KEAVENEY (RIP) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Mary
Sat 16 Feria	10.00 am 10.30 am to 11.45 am 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm 6:00 pm	Hobson OKOGHO (B'day Thanksgiving); FHC Mass Reconciliation Reconciliation Joaquim FERNANDES (RIP)	Okogho Family Keith
Sun 17 7 th Sunday of Easter (A)	9:00am 10:30am 12:00 noon	Simon Peter CROSSWELL (RIP)	Brenda

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	Giovanna Wiafe	Mrs Rosa Faleiro	
Therese Mittcosbe	Maria Pereira	Frank Kinsella	Grace Quansah	David Uzor	
Pathmini Soosai	Diana Camilleri	Doreen Charlish	Aubrey Jiggins	Susie King	
Cynthia Lobendhan	Eddie Hamilton	Anne Jagelman	Mendonca	Monir Jacob	

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

Parish Notices

BORN IN JUNE?

Please send your contact number to WhatsApp 079-2767-0539 for the planning of your birthday celebration.

MAY DEVOTIONS

We invite you all to join us in the devotion to Mary in May (1st to 31st). This year, Archbishop John Wilson invites us to pray with him, The Rosary of Life, every day.

The schedule is :

Monday – 6.00pm

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Thursday – 6.00pm

Friday – 6.00pm

Saturday – 5.30pm

Sunday – 6 pm with Benediction.

The Tyburn Martyrs Walk will take place on Sunday, May 17th. We will meet at 1.30 pm in the churchyard of St Giles-in-the-Fields (nearest tube: Tottenham Court Road) and will walk to the site of

Tyburn gallows, honouring the courageous Catholic martyrs who met their deaths there in the 16th and 17th centuries. We will finish with Benediction and Tea at Tyburn Convent. To help with arrangements, please let the organisers know that you are coming:

info@tyburnmartyrswalk.co.uk

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

On June 7 this year, we will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi with the Universal Church. Following the midday Mass, there will be a Eucharistic procession through selected routes in our community.

We are seeking volunteers to assist with:

- safeguarding children and young people,
- directing traffic, and
- guiding the procession route.

If you can help, please get in touch with the parish office on **020 8647 5079** or by email at washington@rcaos.org.uk.

Thank you for your support and participation in this important celebration of our faith.

WELCOME! ARCHBISHOP JOHN WILSON

We are delighted to welcome Archbishop John Wilson, Archbishop of Southwark, to our parish today, Sunday, 10 May 2026, at the 12:00 pm Mass.

Highlights of his visit include the blessing and installation of a series of paintings depicting Marian apparitions from around the world, and he will also dedicate Our Lady's Garden. These artworks reflect the Archbishop's missionary vision of the Church that embodies the inclusive and multi-cultural message of the Gospel. "In Christ, there are no Jews or Gentiles" (Gal 3.28). We warmly invite you to join us for this special occasion.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: ONE SPIRIT, MANY CULTURES!

Get ready for one of the most joyful celebrations in our parish! On this special Pentecost Sunday, we come together as one family, celebrating the beauty of our different cultures, united by the Holy Spirit.

- Wear your traditional cultural attire — let your heritage shine!
- Bring a dish or drink to share — taste the world in one place!
- Celebrate with music, prayer, and joyful fellowship
- Meet, share, and connect across cultures

This is more than an event — it's a celebration of who we are together! Many cultures. One Spirit. One Church. **Date: Sunday 24th May 2026; Location: Parish Premises; Time: 1 pm.** Come hungry, come joyful, and come ready to celebrate! "We are many parts, but one body."

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES (CONFESSION)

Parents and carers are kindly reminded that there will be a Confession for First Holy Communion candidates on Friday, 15 May, at 6.30 pm in the church.

Please ensure that candidates arrive promptly and are prepared for this important part of their sacramental journey. Parents are also asked to help their children prepare by teaching them what to do and say before their First Confession.

Youth Alpha Registration

This is to notify all parents and carers that the registration is still ongoing and the link can be found in the church foyers and on all our social sites. Join the Fun! Open to All Youth (Years 7-10) – Everyone Belongs.

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London, is holding a First Saturday Divine Mercy Recollection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, on Saturday 6th June 2026 from 10:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Recollection Day will include Holy Mass, Talk, Hour of Mercy with Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Tickets are £30 pp. Pls call Millie on 07957594646 for more information. Coaches from Slough, Ealing Broadway, North London, Barking and Victoria.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

Led by Elaine Paice & Fr Patrick Dominic Udotai 08 OCTOBER 2026 3 nights (4 DAYS) £899 per person sharing » Direct return flights from London Gatwick to Rome return » 10kg bags included (20kg optional at extra cost £60per bag) » All transfers & tours by private coach » 3 nights at - Casa per Ferie Santa Maria alle Fornaci – Half Board » Breakfast & Dinner included each day » Full religious programme led by Spiritual Director » Fully guided with tours and visits as per itinerary » Optional: travel insurance £79 up to 79years; £129 from 80 to 90 years » Single supplement £35 per night For information, please contact: Elaine Paice +44 (0) 7971 624952 Or Joe Walsh Tours 0808 1890468

On Saturday, May 23rd 2026, couples are invited to a day where they can privately explore their relationship more deeply and gain valuable insights into the communication and the call of the Church to be married at St Elphege's Church Hall, 120 Stafford Road, Wallington, Surrey, SM6 9AY , from 9.00 am till 4.30 pm

The one-day course is for married couples (whether married for one year, 60 years or anywhere in between). It seeks to help husbands and wives to make their marriages better and to improve their communication skills, and learn how to raise issues without hurting each other. There is no group sharing, and private information remains private to each couple. The unique selling point of this day is it is NOT marriage counselling - Marriage Care and Retrouvaille do a brilliant job at this! Refreshments will be provided, but please bring a packed lunch.

Booking is essential. To apply, please contact Carole on mflkent@rcaos.org.uk or by phone on 07983 524 727

Youth Day Information - Saturday 11th July 2026

The day is aimed at young people aged **10–14 years**.

Time: 11:00 am – 5:30 pm (departure /arrival time from Wallington TBC)

Cost: £5 per child (£8 for families).

If cost is an issue, please email youth@rcaos.org.uk.

Pizza lunch and snacks throughout the day are included.

Please could you ask all helpers and parents to register for the day so that we can confirm numbers with the coach company? The registration link is below:

[Youth Day \(Sat 11 July 2026\)](#)

If you have any questions or queries about the day, please don't hesitate to contact me or Stacy at Wallington, her email address is wallingtonconfirmation@rcaos.org.uk

MASS BOOK CYCLE (A)

The New Mass Books for cycle A are available for purchase. It is £5 per copy. Thank you

Please note that from **January 2026**, Baptisms will be scheduled twice a month on Saturdays, during the **1st and 3rd weeks**. The **Baptism Preparation Course** will remain unchanged and continue to be held on the **1st Wednesday** of each month. Thank you for your attention to this update.

WIDOWED, SEPARATED AND DIVORCED Weekend 8th to 10th May 2026 at Worth Abbey, West Sussex, RH1 4SB. Beginning Experience is a peer ministry to the widowed, separated and divorced led by trained volunteers. Their work is carried out at special weekend gatherings that encourage participants to face the natural process of grief and loneliness. For further details, don't hesitate to get in touch with Mary on 07730 884315 or email: BeginningExperience.soe@gmail.com.

Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries invite all Red Box supporters and the wider Diocesan community to come together for two important events in 2026.

St Simon Stock Church, Bleakwood Rd, Walderslade, Kent ME5 0NF

When: Saturday 6 June at 11 am

Join Fr Joseph Donkor (Missio Diocesan Director for Southwark) and the Mill Hill Missionaries for Mass, followed by lunch and sharing of mission work.

St Elizabeth of Portugal Roman Catholic Church, The Vineyard, Richmond, TW10 6AQ

When: Saturday, 3rd October at 11 am

Join us for this special World Mission Month mass with Missio National Director, Fr Anthony Chantry MHM, and Fr Joseph Donkor.

Our Mission Masses are an opportunity to hear about how missionaries share the Gospel throughout the world and how we can be missionary disciples in our own parishes. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please email redbox@missio.org.uk or visit <https://missio.org.uk/mission-masses-and-events/> for further information.

Gift Aid Reminder

We encourage all parishioners who have not yet signed up for **Gift Aid** to pick up a form from the church foyer. Through Gift Aid, the church can reclaim an extra **25p for every £1** you donate — at no additional cost to you! It is a simple way to make your offering go even further and greatly support our parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

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.

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!

Other notices



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.