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St Elphege's Catholic Church

Sunday 23rd August 2026

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK: "Lord, bless our parish and guide us with Your love. Keep our community united in faith, hope, and peace... Amen."

Mass Intentions and Prayers

Requested by

Sun 23 21 st Sunday (A)	6:00pm Vigil Mass 9:00am 10:30am 12:00pm	Elsy GOMEZ (GOD'S Protection) Margaret LIGORY (RIP) Baby Marcus (Thanksgiving & Good Health) Linda BELL (RIP)	Sandra Rajah Mark
Mon 24 St Bartholomew	8:30am 10am	No Mass Anne & Simon CLANCY (RIP)	B.Power
Tue 25 Feria	8:30am 10:00am 7:15pm	No Mass Huong DUONG (Speedy Recovery) No Mass	Rosemary
Wed 26 Feria	8.30 am 10.00 am 10.30 am – 7pm	No Mass SATHESKUMAR (RIP) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Ranji
Thu 27 St Monica	8.30 am 10 am	No Mass Anne & Simon CLANCY (RIP)	B.Power
Fri 28 St Augustine	8.30 am 10 am 10.30 am - Noon	No Mass Ken NELSON (RIP) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Mark
Sat 29 The Passion of St John the Baptist	10.00 am 10.30 am to 11.30 am 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm 6:00 pm	Victor OSUNDE (50 TH B'DAY), Indhu N (FHC) Reconciliation Reconciliation Soosai & Pathmini (God's Protection)	Roselyn
Sun 30 22 nd Sunday (A)	9:00am 10:30am 12:00 noon	Mrs Lalani RAVINDRAN (RIP B'day) Dwan HARRIS (RIP) Anne HARRIS (RIP) & Family	RAMESH Eileen LOM

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		

Those who have recently died... May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

Parish Notices

BORN IN SEPTEMBER?

If you are celebrating a birthday in September, please send your contact number via **WhatsApp to 07927 670539** to help with planning.

AUGUST WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Please note that throughout August, there will be **no 8:30 a.m. weekday Mass**. Weekday Mass will be celebrated at **10:00 a.m. only**. All weekend Masses will continue as usual. This temporary adjustment reflects the lower attendance typically experienced during the summer holiday period. We appreciate your understanding.

RCIA COURSE

Anyone considering becoming a Catholic is warmly invited to meet with Fr Patrick in preparation for the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) course, which will be held weekly (Tuesdays 7-8.30 pm) from 8th September 2026 to 27th March 2027. Please invite friends or colleagues who may have expressed an interest in becoming Catholic to arrange a meeting with Fr Patrick in the first instance.

MASS BOOK CYCLE (A)

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

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.

CARD PAYMENTS

Attention all parishioners: a contactless machine is available for all transactions at the church's entry and exit foyers. 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.

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.

LIFT SPORTS DAY!** Young adults, this one's for YOU!

Mellows Park | Sunday 23rd August | 1:30 PM

Come play, have fun, meet new people & bring your friends! Don't let those busy schedules take over! Let's make time to connect, compete and have fun before things get hectic!

****Don't miss out! LET'S GET ACTIVE! TAG YOUR FRIEND!!****

#LiftSports#YoungAdults#MeadowsPark#LetsDoThis

TRAINING FOR ALTAR SERVERS

This will be held every Monday from Monday 21 September to Monday 26 October 2026. It is a weekday programme that runs for an hour per session, from 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm. All parents of interested children are expected to note this.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (EMs) TRAINING

Training for new EMs will begin on Friday 18th September and run every Friday for the following 5 weeks. Those interested should register in the Parish Office for scrutiny by the parish priests.

DAY FOR CATECHISTS

Our annual Day for Catechists is on Saturday 3 October 2026. Registration for this event is now open at - <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/day-for-catechists-2026> We urge all parish catechists to register as soon as possible. For the last two years, this event has been fully booked. If, once booked, you are no longer able to attend, please cancel your registration so others may attend. QR code:



ARCHBISHOP'S CERTIFICATE

The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) is a two-year online course for all in Southwark who wish to understand their faith in a more profound way and be able to share it with both confidence and joy. **The course begins online on 10 October 2026 from 2 pm to 4 pm.** The total cost of the 2-year course is **£800**; £400 is payable before the start of each academic year. Registration must be completed in advance, and there is a non-refundable registration fee of £50.

Would you like to know more? Join our **'Come and See' Evening on Monday 14 September at 7 pm**. A link to register can be found here:

<https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>

ADOREMUS

Further to previous communications about Adoremus, we understand that the main procession between St George's Cathedral and Westminster Cathedral will be open to a 'representative group' of 50 people. Others will be encouraged to line the route and honour our Eucharistic Lord in local parishes. The booking link to be a part of the 'representative group', clergy and lay people, can be found here:

<https://aecsouthwark.churchsuite.com/events/7ehv6onh>.

We encourage booking early.

SUPPORT OUR PARISH THROUGH GIFT AID (Gift Aid Envelopes)

Parishioners who donate using Gift Aid Envelopes are kindly asked to collect their new envelopes, marked with their names, from the church foyer.

If you are a UK taxpayer and regularly support the parish, please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme. It allows the parish to claim an extra **25p for every £1 donated** at no additional cost to you. Gift Aid Declaration forms and QR codes are available in the church foyers.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our parish.

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 individuals who have registered for various church activities 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!

