



## ST. ELPHEGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

27<sup>TH</sup> December 2020

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### The Federation of St Elphege's & Regina Coeli Catholic Schools:

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### MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

Sun 27	6.00pm	Prayer for the Homeless Vigil Mass
Holy Family	09.00 am	Jeremy Ravendran & Grandparents
	10.30 am	Family Mass – Stanley Almeida
	12.00 noon	For the sick, friends of Grace O'shea
	5.30 pm	The Aimey Family (Thanksgiving)
Mon 28	10.00am	Barbara Keshinro (B'day thanksgiving)
Holy innocents. Martyrs	7.30 pm	Francisca D'Cruz (RIP)
	Tues 29	10.00 am
St Thomas Becket. Bishop. martyr		
Wed 30	10.00 am	Grace O' Shea (Holy Souls)
	10.30am to noon	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.30 pm	Maya Dosieah (Private Intentions)
Thurs 31	10 am	Keshinro & Savarimuthu Families (thanksgiving)
	11.30 pm	Melanie Osunde (B'day thanksgiving)
St Sylvester 1. pope		

### 2021

Fri 1	10 am	Carol, Robert, Khadeesha, kieron legere & Family (thanksgiving)
	10.30 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat 2	10.00 am	Holy Souls
	6.00pm Vigil Mass	Mr & Mrs Finegan (Good Estate) Mr Maynard jack & Family Members Deceased
Sts Basil & Gregory. Bishops. Doctors		

### PRAYER FOR THE WEEK



That the Birth of Christ may bring lasting joy, peace, comfort and solace to all people of good will

Amen

### IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS ESPECIALLY



**those who have recently died** and those whose anniversaries occur at this time and all who mourn the loss of loved ones. May they rest in peace.



**the sick, the isolated and their carers**, especially those within our own Parish Community:

Jackie Van Elswick	Rosemary Day	David Uzor
Rosaline Jordan	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	Guy Saide
Theresa Mittcosbe	Maggie	Deleaney
Cynthia Lobendhan		

### CHRISTMAS OCTAVE MASSES

**SUN. 27<sup>TH</sup>** – Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph 9. 00am; 10. 30am; 12. 00 midday; 5. 30pm

**MON. 28<sup>TH</sup>** – Feast of the Holy Innocents (Martyrs)  
10. 00am & 7. 30pm

**TUE. 29<sup>TH</sup>** – Feast of Thomas of Canterbury (Bishop Martyr)  
10. 00am

**WED. 30<sup>TH</sup>** – Sixth day within the Octave of Christmas  
10. 00am & 7. 30pm

**THUR. 31<sup>ST</sup>** – Seventh day within the Octave of Christmas  
10. 00am & 11. 30pm

**FRI. 1<sup>ST</sup>** – Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  
9. 00am & 10.30am

**SAT. 2<sup>ND</sup>** – St. Basil & Gregory Nazianzen  
10. 00am & 6.00pm (Vigil)

**SUN. 3<sup>RD</sup>** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Nativity  
9. 00am; 10.30 am; 12. 00 midday; 5.30pm

## NOTICES

### CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE PRIEST

Christmas always presents the people of God in the parish the opportunity to express appreciation, love and support to their priests by giving.

In his Letter to Priests on November 20 2020, the Bishop John Wilson instructed:

*The Church regards each day in an Octave as if it were the solemnity itself. Thus, I would like to invite parishes to encourage their communities to make full use of the Christmas Octave and, if it is not possible to attend Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day this year, to do so during the Christmas Octave. This year, all of the collections (including electronic giving) which are taken on each of the days within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord and up to and including 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021, will constitute the annual personal Christmas offerings of the faithful for their priests.*

*Offering envelopes are available at the Entry and Exit points of the Church. If you are a registered Gift Aid giver, kindly write your name and number on the envelope (eg Green/28).*

Please let us support our priests by donating generously during this Christmas.

### NEW CHURCH SIGN IN - QR CODE

Please scan the QR Code at the entry of the Church or on the pews to sign in. iPhone users can scan the code with their camera and select the link shown. Android users may need to download a QR Code reader from the Google Play Store.

### The Priest Training Fund

Also known as the Ecclesiastical Education Fund, pays for men studying for the Priesthood and Diaconate here in Southwark. It costs £30,000 a year, for six years, to sponsor each seminarian, so your generous support in this appeal makes a real difference in our ability to fund and support men saying 'Yes' to the vocation of Priesthood. We currently have 8 men in formation for the Priesthood for Southwark. This year we have Priest Training Fund gift aid envelopes available. You can also donate online via [www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/donate.html](http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/donate.html) (select Priest Training Fund) or by scanning the QR code (right). Please be generous today and keep our seminarians, and priests, in your prayers. Thank you.



**Due to COVID, Altar Servers are not able to share Albs. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange collection of an Alb for your child's sole use while they are Altar Servers. The Alb should be thoroughly washed (and ironed) before they are used.**

### REPOSITORY (CHURCH SHOP)

2021 Catholic calendars and diaries are in!! Limited supply! There are many gift products for First Holy Communion and Christening. Also **2020 Confirmation** CD's are still available, **£10 each**.

### SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

Pro-abortion MPs in Parliament want to stop pregnant women getting help outside abortion clinics by calling for buffer zones. SPUC is campaigning to save the right for peaceful pro-life vigils to take place. Hundreds of children are alive today in this country because their mother met a loving pro-life person just before they walked into the abortion clinic. We must protect this vital work. Please sign our petition to save the right to save lives. It only takes a minute of your time, but it could mean a lifetime for an unborn baby. You can sign the petition here: <https://spuc.org.uk/SaveTheRightToSaveLives>

### STEWARDS NEEDED

We still need stewards to assist at various Masses.

To volunteer please send an email to [wallington@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:wallington@rcaos.org.uk). Thank you.

### FACE MASK

In accordance with the Prime Minister's 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020 announcement, all Parishioners are requested to wear a face mask when entering the Church and while in the Church.

### HAND SANITISER

To control the spread of COVID, please sanitise your hands before entering and leaving the Church and avoid touching surfaces while in the Church. Hand sanitisers are available at the Church premises.

### NHS TEST AND TRACE FORM

We would like to inform all parishioners to collect NHS Test Form at the entry before taking their seats.

Please remember to complete and hand it to the stewards before leaving. Alternatively, you can download NHS Test Form from the parish website ([stelphegesonline.co.uk](http://stelphegesonline.co.uk)), complete at home and bring to Church.

## PARISH GROUPS

Due to COVID restrictions, meetings of all Parish Groups have been cancelled till further notices

## PARISH EVENTS

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## ADVERTISEMENTS