



CATHOLIC PARISH OF  
**ST. ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL**  
*Newsletter*

## Fr Philip Matthias RIP

We don't usually publish a newsletter during the summer months but I am making an exception this weekend to ask your prayers for the repose of the soul of Fr Philip Matthias who died recently. Fr Matthias was parish priest here at St Elizabeth's until his retirement in 2012. Since retirement he has been living at St Peter's Home run by the Little Sisters of the Poor. The Lord called him to the reward of his labours on the morning of Friday 3rd August.

The plan is for Fr Philip's Requiem Mass to take place in this Church at midday on Tuesday 4th September. We are awaiting final confirmation of date and time from the Archbishop who is currently away but are not expecting those details to change.

There is a lot to be done in preparation for the funeral and we will also need a lot of help on the day, particularly welcoming family, friends and priests to the Church and providing hospitality. If you can help please email us at: [office@stelizabethschurch.org.uk](mailto:office@stelizabethschurch.org.uk)

Thank you.

### Mass Intentions

During the summer months Mass times and intentions are published in the porch on the inner door.

### Feast of the Assumption

This Wednesday is the Feast of the Assumption and it is a Holy Day of Obligation in England and Wales.

To make it easier for people to attend Mass we will have an additional Mass here in the Church. The morning Mass will be at 9.00am and there will be an extra Mass at 7.00pm.

### Parish Office

Scott is currently away on holiday and we have no one to man the parish office or respond to telephone calls. Apologies if you have called and not had a reply. Scott leaves us for seminary in September and so we need volunteers to be a welcoming presence in the parish office.