



St Mary of the Crays Catholic Church

Mass is celebrated

Monday (term time only)
Exposition 6.30pm and Mass at 7pm
9:15am - all other times

9.15am on Tuesday - Friday

Saturday 6:30pm
Sunday 8:30am and 10:30am (with
children's liturgy)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5:30pm-6:15pm

Parish office

8:30am-10:30am, Monday,
Wednesday, Friday
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Parish Hall

For enquiries and bookings
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Second Sunday of Easter (A) (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Acts 2: 42-47; Ps 117; 1 Pet 1: 3-9; John 20: 19-31

Saturday 22nd Apr 2017

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:30pm: Elizabeth Smith RIP

Sunday 23rd Apr 2017

8:30am: Kate Gedge née Garrad RIP
(Whelan)
10:30am: Dominic Berry (Redmond)

Saint George, Patron of England

Monday 24th Apr 2017

8.30am: Exposition
9:15pm: Ellen Walsh RIP (Walsh)

Saint Mark

Tuesday 25th Apr 2017

8.30am: Exposition
9:15am: Ralph Cantwell RIP (Redmond)

Wednesday 26th Apr 2017 (Feria)

8.30am: Exposition
9:15am: Dennis Neligan RIP (Saunders)
followed by Novena
10:00am: Mass (Convent)

Thursday 27th Apr 2017 (Feria)

8.30am: Exposition
9:15am: Anne Wright RIP (B. Youngs)
Confirmation Mass
7:00pm: Patricia (Shelagh) Henning RIP
(Confirmation Team)

Friday 28th Apr 2017 (Feria)

8.30am: Exposition
9:15am: Allan Moore RIP
Yr. 5 and Yr. R. SJS attending

Saint Catherine of Siena

Saturday 29th Apr 2017

10:00am: Mass (Convent)

Third Sunday of Easter (A)

Acts 2: 14, 22-33; Ps 15; 1 Pet 1: 17-21; Luke 24: 13-35

Saturday 29th Apr 2017

6:30pm: Joshua Johny (5th Birthday) (T. George)

Sunday 30th Apr 2017

8:30am: Thanksgiving (Marriner)
10:30am: Sarah Donnley RIP (Davies)
including Baptism of Caitlyn Anne-Marie Millar

Anniversaries of Death

Harry Biginton, Terence Connolly, Seamus Magee, Eileen Snelders, Ellen Walsh, Mary Harrington, Bert James, Ted Lester, Alice Flynn, Joseph Redmond, Margaretta Ryder, M. Steel, Margaret Byrne, Tom Carter, Michael Keely, John Totman, Ann Bye, Mr. and Mrs. Lamb, Norman Grainger†

We do not see yet we believe!

God has created a new human family through his raising of Jesus Christ from the dead. It is our belief in the resurrection of Jesus Christ which becomes the source of Christ's life within us. We do not see yet we believe. Our faith overcomes our doubts and we acknowledge the power of the risen Christ.

Collections

Easter Collection: Gift Aid: £1,191.00; Cash: £605.00

Holy Places: Gift Aid: £57.00; Cash: £227.00

Building Fund Total

After deduction of the monthly payment of £652.80 for the heating refurbishment works, the current total is **£1,706.15. Thank you all very much for your generosity.**

Divine Mercy Sunday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in honour of the Divine Mercy 12.30-1.30pm on Sunday 23rd April. All are welcome to attend.

Second Collection

Next weekend there will be a second collection for St. George's Cathedral which helps to meet the cost of upkeep of the Cathedral. **Gift Aiders can use one of the spare envelopes, but please add your Gift Aid number.**

Exposition and Morning Prayers

Exposition will be at 8.30am followed by Morning Prayers at 8.50am on weekday mornings throughout the year.

Thank You

Thank you all very much for your very kind and generous Easter offerings.

Confirmation Cards and Gifts

Please don't forget to look at the display of Confirmation Cards and Gifts in the Repository (next to the Parish Office in the Reception Area), there is a nice selection to choose from. Also many Baptism and First Holy Communion items too.

An Invitation

ALL parishioners are invited to join our 2017 Confirmation Candidates on Thursday 27th April at 7pm at the Conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please remember the candidates, sponsors and their parents in your prayers. On Sunday afternoon (1.45pm), the young people will spend time, sharing with their sponsors a little of what they have experienced during their preparation programme. A rehearsal for the Confirmation Mass will follow and the day is expected to finish around 5pm. Any queries please contact Bernice.

Altar Servers

It would be nice to have a good representation of servers at the Conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please complete the sheet in the sacristy, if you are able to attend and we will contact you regarding a rehearsal.

A Special Birthday

Bishop Pat will be celebrating his birthday on Thursday 27th April, so we thought as he is here in the Parish that evening, it would be nice to present him with a birthday card. All parishioners are invited to sign the card, which you will find in the reception area after Mass.

Parish Fun Day

Parish Fun Day in the Church hall on Sunday 30th April from 12.30pm onwards with BBQ lunch and games and fun for all the families. Please come along with your family and have a great day. **Tickets are on sale from this weekend.**

Altar Servers Rally 2017

The 40th rally for Southwark Altar servers is on May Day Bank Holiday Monday 1st May 2017 at the Friars, Aylesford Priory, Kent.

Children's Liturgy

Three of the team who run Children's Liturgy will soon be moving on. We have asked for volunteers without success and will be unable to offer Children's Liturgy at the 10.30 Mass unless we find at least 3 new volunteers. Could you spare 45 minutes per month? Contact Caroline Schmidt for further details (cschmidt@hotmail.com). There is no Children's Liturgy on the **28th May, 4th Jun & 16th Jul (the last Sunday until 10th Sep).**

Folk Group 25th Anniversary

The Folk Group are celebrating 25 years ministry in May and we are having a special Mass on Sunday 7th May at 10.30 to celebrate this occasion as a thank you for all of their hard work and dedication. The celebration will continue after Mass in the social room. All are welcome to attend.

100 Club

If you would like to become a member of the 100 Club, please see Jim Saunders. It is a great way of raising funds for the parish and the building fund. Your continued support is very greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Gift Aid

May I remind all parishioners that it is very easy to become a member of the Gift-Aid Scheme. As long as you are a Tax Payer, you need only fill in the form available in the Church entrance with a few details and pass it to me. Please note every £5.00 you give in Gift Aid is worth £6.25 to St. Mary's. Thank you. Peter Phillips.

Building Fund

The majority of the refurbishment works have now been completed in the Church, hall and social areas. The cost of these works has been substantial, some of which has been paid from our savings, the Building Fund collections, the 100 Club and also the loan received from another parish. There are still outstanding payments and loan repayments which have to be made and we do of course need to replenish our savings. I would like to thank you all very much for all of your generous donations to the parish funds to date. Your input with any fundraising ideas would be appreciated.

Catenian Rosary Collection

A box is on the wall outside the Repository for the collection of Rosaries; any as long as it is in one piece; new, second hand etc. These will be sent all around the world to where they are needed, including prisons in this country. The Catenians would like to thank you for the **25** Rosaries which have been donated so far. Please take a leaflet to find out more about the Catenian Association. Please read the letter of thanks we have received from The Catenian Rosary Group.

Food Bank

I have received an appeal from Bexley Food Bank who report shortages in many items. Please see the insert for a Food Bank update of most needed products. Thank you for your ongoing support. Alex Rees

Monastic Choir Concert: Wednesday 3rd May at St. Anselm's, Dartford

The concert is lead by the choir from St. Elizabeth Convent, Minsk. The admission price is your voluntary donation and all proceeds will go to charity. After the concert there will be a special exhibit from the workshops of St. Elizabeth Convent. Website: catalog.obitel-minsk.com