



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
contact 01372 457651

Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)
Is 55: 6-9; Ps 144; Phil 1: 20-24, 27; Matt 20: 1-16

Saturday 23rd Sep 2017
 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
 6:30pm: Doris M Day RIP (Connor)

Sunday 24th Sep 2017
 8:30am: Barrie O'Sullivan RIP
 10:30am: For the People

Monday 25th Sep 2017 (Feria)
 6:30pm: Exposition with evening prayer
 of the Church and Prayer for the Sick
 7:00pm: Holy Souls

Tuesday 26th Sep 2017 (Feria)
 8:30am: Exposition
 9:15am: Edmund Laszcz RIP

St. Vincent de Paul
Wednesday 27th Sep 2017
 8:30am: Exposition
 9:15am: Holy Souls followed by Novena
 10:00am: Mass (Convent)

Thursday 28th Sep 2017 (Feria)
 8:30am: Exposition
 9:15am: Holy Souls

Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael
Friday 29th Sep 2017
 8:30am: Exposition
 9:15am: Holy Souls

St. Jerome
Saturday 30th Sep 2017
 10:00am: Mass (Convent)

Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)
Ezek 18: 25-28; Ps 24; Phil 2: 1-11; Matt 21: 28-32

Saturday 30th Sep 2017
 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
 6:30pm: Patrick Fahy RIP and Deceased
 Members of the Social Club

Sunday 1st Oct 2017
 8:30am: Barrie O'Sullivan RIP (Coward)
 10:30am: For the People
 12:30pm: Baptism Niamh Archdeacon

Anniversaries of Death

Frank Connaughton, Mr. Watson, Delia Connolly, Alfred Bushell, Bill Wilks, Reginald Stafford, Samuel Yeo, William Tunstall, Frank Waugh, Eddie Laszcz, Elizabeth Stickings, Emily Downey, James Irwin, Thomas McDermott, Eric Burgess, Alan Simpson, Joan O'Donovan, Mary Patterson, Mrs. Watson, Cecil Richardson, Edward Carron †

God's ways are not our ways

We judge by human standards. If we want our judgements to be the right ones then we must pray for guidance so that we may always judge generously. God rewards everyone individually according to his judgement and not ours. We need, therefore, to see people through God's eyes.

Collections

Gift Aid: £311.00; Cash: £129.00
 Home Mission: Gift Aid: £73.00; Cash: £113.00
 New Sound System Appeal: £395.00: **Total to date: £6,225.00**
 Building Fund: £22.00: **Total to date: £3,582.55**

Exposition and Morning Prayers

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

St. Mary of the Crays Christmas Bazaar: Saturday 25th November

We are looking for at least **10 volunteers** to assist in the planning and organisation of the various tasks for the Christmas Bazaar. We have **4** volunteers so far and need at least another **6**. If you can help, please speak to Father Ignatius as soon as possible.

Appeal for a New Sound System

The present sound system in our Church was installed over 20 years ago. For some time now the loop system has not functioned optimally and concerned parishioners and visitors to our Church have called attention to the need to revamp the system.

We are currently looking into renewing the sound system in the Church, which would include an audio visual system in the reception area, and have received a quotation for £9,000.

Would you be able to make a donation to this good cause? We would need 75 donations of £100, 100 donations of £75, 150 donations of £50 or 300 donations of £25 to reach this goal. No amount will be too big or too small. We would like to complete the project as soon as possible.

Gift Aiders can use the spare envelopes in the Church, but please add your gift aid numbers.

New Altar Servers

Would you like to be an Altar Server? If you are interested, please complete the forms in the Church entrance and speak to Father Ignatius.

Community Club Anniversary: Saturday 30th September 2017

We are having an "Almost as much as you can eat Curry Night" in the Social Room on the above date. Tickets for food are now on sale and will be available after the Masses this weekend for £5 per person and from Trish during club opening times. Food is being served promptly at 7.30pm. Entertainment is being provided by Sam Adams starting at 8.30pm. You will need a ticket to eat but not to turn up, have a drink and enjoy the entertainment. Please see the poster for more information. Tickets are selling fast!!

Please note that the Saturday evening Mass preceding this event is being said for Pat Fahy RIP and Deceased members of the Social Club.

RCIA – Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

There will be an RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) course for adult Catholics who have not been confirmed, for adults who have not been baptised and also for Christians of other denominations who would like to be received into the Catholic Church or would like to know more about their faith. Registration forms are available from the parish office.

Pope Francis on Love and Joy

Saturday 7th October in Forest Hill, 2:30 to 5:30pm

Booking essential – marriagese@tiscali.co.uk or 07505 305297

Please see poster on notice board for full details.

Parish Priest Day Off: Thursday

After Mass on Thursdays, Father Ignatius is not available during the day for any parish business.

To all Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

Could you please collect the letter from the table in the Church entrance regarding the Area Day of Recollection for Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion.

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.

St. Catherine's School Open Mornings

Tuesday 26th & Thursday 28th September; Monday 9th & Wednesday 11th October; 9.30am-12.00pm. Please see poster on notice board. Congratulations to all the St. Catherine's students on their GCSE results. 79% of students have achieved 5 A*-C including 9-4 in English and Maths.

Bexley Food Bank

I have received an update from Bexley Food Bank with a list of much needed supplies. There is an insert with today's newsletter for your information. Thank you again for your ongoing support, it really is appreciated. Alex Rees

Bexley Winter Shelters

You are invited to a Social Evening in aid of Bexley Winter Shelters with entertainment from

Rock Choir

at Our Lady of the Angels on the 7th October: See notice board for full details

Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice

Autumn Coffee Morning

Saturday 14th October; 10am-1pm

The 33rd Annual National Rosary Crusade of Reparation

Saturday 14th October 2017

Celebrating the Centenary of the Apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima

See poster on notice board and flyers in the reception area

A Day with Mary

Westminster Cathedral: Saturday 7th October 2017

See notice board for further details