



*St Mary of the Crays
Catholic Church*

YEAR OF MERCY

Mass is celebrated

9:15am on Monday -Friday

Saturday 6:30pm

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5:30pm-6:15pm

Parish office

9:30am-11:30am, Monday,
Wednesday, Friday

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| Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Wis. 18: 6-9; Ps 32; Heb. 11: 1-2, 8-19; Lk 12: 32-48 | |
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| Saturday 6th August 2016 6:30pm: For the People | Sunday 7th August 2016 8:30am: Private Intention 10:30am: Heather Galibardy (Trombetti) |
| Saint Dominic, Priest Monday 8th August 2016 9:15am: Richard Hanrahan RIP (Hanrahan) followed by Novena | Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr Tuesday 9th August 2016 9:15am: Fr. Piet Wijngaard (in need of a miracle) (Connor) |
| Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr Wednesday 10th August 2016 9:15am: Michael McCormack RIP (Hanrahan) | Saint Clare, Virgin Thursday 11th August 2016 9:15am: Stan Pope RIP (Connor) |
| Friday 12th August 2016 (Feria) 9:15am: Alexander Greatorex RIP followed by Exposition | Saturday 13th August 2016 (Feria) 10:00am: Mass (Convent) |
| The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 1 Chr. 15: 3-4, 15-16, 16: 1-2; Ps 131; 1 Cor. 15: 54-57; Lk 11: 27-28 Apoc. 11: 19, 12: 1-6, 10; Ps 44; 1 Cor. 15: 20-26; Lk 1: 39-56 | |
| Saturday 13th August 2016 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30pm: For the People | Sunday 14th August 2016 8:30am: Private Intention 10:30am: Patricia Totman RIP (Davies) |

Anniversaries of Death

Richard Metcalfe, Anita McConville, Peter Foley, George Cahorn, Maura Sharp, Albert Sweby, Leslie Cocks, Philip Dennehy, Alexander Greatorex, Sr. Ita Hynes, Margaret Mary Waugh, Joyce Daly, Carmen Aprahamian, Bernard Coligan, Antonietta Dobby✠

You must stand ready

We have to be ready when the Lord comes to call us to our heavenly home. A good life is the best preparation we can make. We will enter into a kingdom promised to us by our heavenly Father who through his own kindness and generosity has chosen us as his own.

Collections

Gift Aid: £395.00; Cash: £177.00

There will be no Parish Surgery until 13th September.

Monday Morning Mass

As from Monday 5th September 2016, I will be teaching at the Seminary in Woneresh. **Therefore, the Monday morning Mass will now be celebrated at 7pm.**

White Flower Appeal

This weekend we will be having a White Flower Appeal - The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC).

In common with the Catholic Church, SPUC defends and upholds the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. The Society's work covers a wide spectrum of pro-life, pro-family issues. It seeks to protect unborn children from abortion and defends the disabled, elderly and incapacitated from euthanasia and assisted suicide. SPUC also provides trained speakers for schools and offers pro-life support for teachers, parents and medical professionals. Please give generously to this worthy cause.

Second Collection

Next weekend 13th/14th August there will be a second collection for the Building Fund. **Gift Aiders can use one of the spare envelopes, but please add your Gift Aid number**

Building Fund

Some 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 and 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.

Mass Requests

If you would like to have a Mass said for the anniversary of a deceased family member or friend, for anyone who is ill or to celebrate a special occasion, please complete a Mass Request Envelope, which is available in the Church, and, together with your Mass Stipend, please leave it with Father Ignatius or in the Parish Office. If you would like a specific date for your Mass request, please notify us as soon as possible to ensure availability.

Children's Liturgy

During the school Summer holidays, if two adults from the Liturgy Group are available on any week then we'll be happy to run the Children's Liturgy, otherwise from Sunday 24th July to Sunday 4th September the Liturgy will be postponed. Many thanks, Children's Liturgy Group.

Blessings

Please let us know the dates of birthdays and of any special anniversaries and we will put these in the newsletter and Father Ignatius will give a Blessing at the end of a weekend Mass.

Lectio Divina

The Prayer Group takes place on Monday evenings at 7.30pm in the reception area where we read the Gospel of the forthcoming Sunday and this is followed by a silent period of prayer, (**Lectio Divina**). To find out more contact Barry O'Sullivan on 01322 554041 or Josie Coward on 01322 272934 or just come along, everyone very welcome. Thank you.

St. Mary's Community Club

The Club is open to relax with friends on Friday and Saturday evenings 7.30-11.00pm and Sunday Lunchtimes 12.00-2.00pm. Making use of the Community Club facilities is to be encouraged for Family Events, Baptisms, maybe a Funeral or as a means of socializing with parishioners. The Club is a great asset and benefit to the Parish and should be enjoyed by all. Community Club bookings can be made via Trish at the bar.

Hire our Church Hall

With the help of 'Praetorium' we have decided to make our hall available to be hired for a range of purposes to help us raise much needed funds for our parish. We would really appreciate it if you could help us spread the word to all your friends, family and contacts.

For more information or to book, **please call 01372 457651.**

Home/Garden Help

Elderly parishioners seek home/garden help; 1-2 hours per week. May suit a retired couple. Please contact 01322 525206.

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 £1.00 you give in Gift Aid is worth £1.25 to St. Mary's. Peter Phillips

Clergy Support Fund Campaign

Archbishop Peter Smith would like every Catholic in the Diocese to have an opportunity to hear about the needs of sick and retired priests and how you can lend your support to this fundraising campaign to raise £4.5m over the next four years.

Thank you to all of you who have completed the Contact Cards. You will soon receive your personal invitations to the presentation which will take place in September in our hall.

Our Lady's Film Group: St. Rita of Cascia (2-part movie with subtitles)

The next two films showing will be on Wednesday 21st September and Wednesday 5th October 2016; 7pm. for 7.30pm start at St. John Fisher Church Hall, 48 Thanet Road, Bexley DA5 1AP. Free admission. **All are welcome.**

Looking for something to do this summer: 25th-29th of August 2016

Why not join 1500 other young people in the Roman Catholic Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham, Norfolk NR22 6AL for the Youth 2000 Summer Festival "CONQUERORS"

This is a 5 day Prayer Festival, packed with dynamic talks from international speakers, live-band worship, powerful prayer times, fun social activities, creative workshops, in-depth discussions, evening entertainment and loads more. *Donation only policy.

Direct coaches from cities across the UK. For more information contact: info@youth2000.org 020-7221-2124 www.youth2000.org

Mrs. Bridie Curran RIP May She Rest in Peace✠

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Bridie Curran who died on the 30th July 2016. Bridie was a parishioner here at St. Mary of the Crays for many years, until she moved to Tetney in Lincolnshire, after her husband's death.