



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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Not available on Thursday from after Mass

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Parish Hall

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

<p>Saturday 30th Sep 2017 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30pm: Patrick Fahy RIP and Deceased Members of the Social Club</p>	<p>Sunday 1st Oct 2017 8:30am: Barrie O’Sullivan RIP 10:30am: For the People 12:30pm: Baptism Niamh Archdeacon</p>
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<p>The Holy Guardian Angels Monday 2nd Oct 2017 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Sylvia Wood RIP</p>	<p>Tuesday 3rd Oct 2017 (Feria) 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am:</p>
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<p>St. Francis of Assisi Wednesday 4th Oct 2017 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Holy Souls followed by Novena 10:00am: Mass (Convent)</p>	<p>Thursday 5th Oct 2017 (Feria) 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Holy Souls</p>
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<p>CAFOD Harvest Fast Day Friday 6th Oct 2017 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Holy Souls SJS Yr. 1 & Yr. 6 attending</p>	<p>Our Lady of the Rosary Saturday 7th Oct 2017 10:00am: Mass (Convent)</p>
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Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
Is 5: 1-7; Ps 79; Phil 4: 6-9; Matt 21: 33-43

<p>Saturday 7th Oct 2017 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30pm: Holy Souls</p>	<p>Sunday 8th Oct 2017 8:30am: Sr. Jennifer’s Intentions 10:30am: For the People</p>
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Anniversaries of Death

Mrs. Lucas, Margaret Marjorum, Patrick Regan, John Kelly, Edith Dowdswell, Sylvia Wood, James McGrory, John Barr, John Saunders, John Duggan, Patricia Dean, David Callahan, James Henry Johnson, Margaret Fisher, Johanna Nicholls, Kathleen Buttifant✠

Christ came to forgive sinners

We all need God’s forgiveness and it was for this reason that Christ came humbling himself to the death of a cross. When we renounce sin we will truly live. We remember that we are in constant need of forgiveness and so we must never take our salvation for granted.

Collections: Gift Aid: £214.00; Cash: £186.00
 New Sound System Appeal: £200.00: **Total to date: £6,425.00**

Exposition and Morning Prayers

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

Monday Morning Mass: 2nd October

Mass on Monday 2nd October will be at 9.15am this week.

Second Collection

Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Building Fund. **Gift Aiders can use the spare envelopes in the Church, but please add your gift aid numbers.**

Parish Priest Day Off: Thursday

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

St. Mary of the Crays Christmas Bazaar: Saturday 25th November
This weekend is the last call for volunteers to form a Committee to assist in the planning and organisation of the various tasks for the Christmas Bazaar. We already have **5** volunteers and **need just 5 more**. If you can help, could you please contact 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.**

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day: Friday 6th October 2017

CAFOD works with poor communities overseas, helping them to tackle poverty and injustice. Fast Days are an opportunity to support this vital work.

This Harvest Fast Day, we are standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training and strong seeds. Please pick up a Fast Day envelope, fast this Friday and give what you can.

National Mass Count starts this weekend and throughout October.

October: Month of the Holy Rosary

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the Liturgical Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on the 7th October.

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** – 07505 305297 or marriagese@tiscali.co.uk. See poster on notice board.

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.

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. **For those members who pay by cash or cheque, your club membership of £60 is due for renewal and payable now.** Cheques should be made payable to the '100 Club'. 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.

A Day with Mary

Westminster Cathedral: Saturday 7th October 2017: See notice board

Divine Mercy Retreat led by Marian Fathers

Saturday 14th October 2017; 11am-4.30pm: see notice board and flyers

National Shrine of St. Jude

Feast of Saint Jude celebrations: 28th/29th October: see notice board

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

Bexley Food Bank

I have received an update from Bexley Food Bank with a list of much needed supplies. 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

Vacancy at St. Stephen's Catholic Primary School, Welling

Midday Supervisor, £2,644 pa, 6¼ hours per week 12:00–1:15 pm, term time only (38 weeks a year). Please e-mail: admin@st-stephens.bexley.sch.uk for an application form. Closing date: Noon on 6th October