



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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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (A)

Ezek. 34: 11-12, 15-17; Ps 22; 1 Cor. 15: 20-26, 28; Matt 25: 31-46

Saturday 25th Nov 2017

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:30pm: Lorraine Fielder RIP (Saunders)

Sunday 26th Nov 2017

8:30am: Jane Matthews RIP (Mutimer)
10:30am: Catherine McKie RIP (Parish)

Monday 27th Nov 2017 (Feria)

6:30pm: Exposition with evening prayer
of the Church and Prayer for the Sick
7:00pm: Holy Souls

Tuesday 28th Nov 2017 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Tony Hull RIP (McKie)

Wednesday 29th Nov 2017 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Jeremiah John Callahan RIP
followed by Novena
10:00am: Mass (Convent)

St Andrew

Thursday 30th Nov 2017

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Baber's Family Deceased

Friday 1st Dec 2017 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Catherine McKie RIP (Saunders)

Saturday 2nd Dec 2017 (Feria)

10:00am: Mass (Convent)

First Sunday of Advent (B)

Is 63: 16-17; 64: 1, 3-8; Ps 79; 1 Cor. 1: 3-9; Mark 13: 33-37

Saturday 2nd Dec 2017

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:30pm: Agnes and Thomas O'Connell
(Murphy)

Sunday 3rd Dec 2017

8:30am: David Burgess (Murrell)
10:30am: For the People

Anniversaries of Death

Annie Durcan, Dympna Bullen, James Cunningham, John O'Keeffe, Walter Potter, John Leach, John and Mrs. Cremin, Angela Mitchell, Jeremiah Callahan, Loraine Fielder, Daniel Darby, Bridget Kathleen Carter, Hugh Brennan, Sarah Fisher, Philip Harris, Louisa Byrne, Francis Connolly, Helen Cooper†

Christ the King!

God looks after his sheep through Jesus Christ his shepherd and king. Christ is anointed King of the Universe by his Father. We will be judged by our actions and finally Christ will present us to his Father. We must live our lives for our king so that we may enter with him into glory.

Collections

New Sound System Appeal: **Total to Date: £6,975.00**

Exposition and Morning Prayers

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

Lost Property

A men's black leather cash purse has been found in the Church. Please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Ignatius.

Second Collections

1. This weekend there is a second collection for Catholic Youth Services, which supports youth work in the Diocese and beyond, especially the Southwark Catholic Youth Service.
2. Next weekend there will be a second collection for flowers to decorate the Church for Christmas. **Gift Aiders can use the spare envelopes at the back of the Church, but please add your Gift Aid number.**

National Youth Sunday: 26th November 2017

Today, the Feast of Christ the King, we celebrate National Youth Sunday. This year's theme is 'Something to Say'.

In the lead up to the Synod on Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment, Pope Francis said, "*Every young person has something to say...something to say to priests, sisters, bishops and even the Pope.*"

By making the most of this conversation it will help the Church become better at accompanying young people in their vocational discernment.

Christmas Bazaar

A big thank you to all of you who left donations for the stalls for the Bazaar. Your contributions have been gratefully received. Thank you to Jim Saunders, Tina Saunders and Bernadette Hughes for all of their hard work in organising the Bazaar. To all those who ran and stalls and came to support, thank you very much.

Christmas Cards

Please support the Parish by buying your Christmas Cards from the Parish Repository in the reception area before and after all Masses.

Appeal for a New Sound System

A big thank you to all parishioners who have contributed towards renewing the parish sound system. A total of £6,865.00 has so far been raised out of the initial estimated cost of £9,000.00. All things being equal, the installation of the much-needed new and robust system would commence as soon as possible. More donations are gratefully still welcome.

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.

Church Car Park Not for School Pick-Up and Drop-Off

This is a polite reminder that since **1st April 2017**, the Church car park has been reserved strictly for use for Church purposes only: ***Picking up or dropping off pupils is not permitted at any time!***

Unfortunately, recently some parents have started violating this protocol, thereby, taking us back to the same old problems. Please, may all concerned kindly make every effort to comply with this instruction for the good of all and in respect to our Church facility. Thank you.

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.

Meeting with all new Altar Servers

There will be a meeting with all new Altar Servers on Friday 1st December 2017 at 4.30pm.

Church Cleaning

Have you ever wondered how it is that Your Church always looks clean and tidy? Wonder no more! It is down to a small dedicated team - "The Holy Scrubbers". However, sadly, several of our little group has had to "retire" for various reasons and we are now struggling. Could you spare 1 to 1½ hours every four weeks to help keep Your Church clean? If so please contact Fr. Ignatius or Valerie Hull (01322 271058) for details. The new Rota is now available in the Church entrance and a big Thank You to all our present volunteers for their help.

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.

Christmas at the Food Bank

Bexley Food Bank is now collecting items for Christmas. They specifically need Christmas cake, mince pies, tinned ham, children's selection pack, large bars of chocolate, boxes of biscuits, boxes of chocolates, snacks/nibbles, small jars of coffee, bags of sugar and long life fruit juice.

Let us help a struggling family enjoy Jesus' birth as much as we will. Please help if you can. Thank you.

The Passage

The Passage is raising funds through the Big Give from 12pm (midday) on Tuesday 28th November - 12pm on Tuesday 5th December to support its work with homeless people this winter. For more information ring Andrew Hollingsworth on 020 75921855; andrew.h@passage.org.uk

Linda May Daniel RIP May She Rest in Peace✠

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Linda May Daniel of 109 Hillingdon Road, Bexleyheath **Funeral:** Thursday 7th December at 10a.m. **Burial:** Streatham Cemetery at 12.30p.m.

Catherine McKie RIP May She Rest in Peace✠

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine McKie. Funeral details to follow.