



*St Mary of the Crays  
Catholic Church*

**Mass is celebrated**

Monday – Friday at 9.15am

***(Exposition & Morning Prayer:  
8.30am; Novena to Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help: Wednesday,  
after Mass)***

Saturday 6:30pm

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

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 5:30pm-6:15pm

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**Parish office**

8:30am-10:30am, Monday, Tuesday,  
Wednesday, Friday

**Telephone:** 01322 523492

**Email:** [crayford@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:crayford@rcaos.org.uk)

**Priest Surgery:** Tuesday, 7-8pm

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**Parish Priest**

Fr. Ignatius Aniekanabasi Edet

**Assistant Priest**

Fr. Joseph Edem

**Parish School**

St. Joseph's Primary School  
Old Road, Crayford DA1 4DZ

[www.stjosephcrayford.org.uk](http://www.stjosephcrayford.org.uk)

**Parish Hall**

For enquiries and bookings contact  
01372 457651

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**  
**Josh 24: 1-2, 15-17, 18; Ps 33; Eph. 5: 21-32; John 6: 60-69**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Aug 2018**  
 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 6:30pm: Pat Connolly RIP (Foley)

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> Aug 2018**  
 8:30am: Roberto Masi (Coward)  
 10:30am: Panamkudan Family RIP  
 (T. George)

**St. Monica**  
**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Aug 2018**  
 8:30am: Exposition  
 9:15am: Holy Souls

**St. Augustine**  
**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Aug 2018**  
 8:30am: Exposition  
 9:15am: Josephine Dowe RIP (Schmidt)

**The Passion of St. John the Baptist**  
**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 2018**  
 8:30am: Exposition  
 9:15am: James Alfred Saunders RIP  
 followed by Novena  
 10:00am: Shalom Convent

**Ss. Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line  
 and Margaret Ward**  
**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Aug 2018**  
 8:30am: Exposition  
 9:15am: Mary Ellen Nolan RIP

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2018 (Feria)**  
 8:30am: Exposition  
 9:15am: For all parishioners

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 2018 (Feria)**  
 10:00am: Shalom Convent

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**  
**Deut. 4: 1-2, 6-8; Ps 14; Jas 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 2018**  
 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation  
 6:30pm: Mai Cahill RIP

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sep 2018**  
 8:30am: Elizabeth Greatorex RIP  
 10:30am: Derrick Butt (Trombetti)

**Anniversaries of Death**

Sr. Frances Joseph, James Saunders, Patrick McGovern, Mary Davis, Barry Wilson, Ernie Carpenter, Winifred Cox, Molly Boshell, Mary Hadfield, Eric Gray, William Stevens, John Arrowsmith, James Loughrey†

**Christ has the words of eternal life**

Christ lives in his Church and in loving it we love him. Our faith deals with the person of Christ. He has the words of eternal life and there is no-one else to whom we want to go. We show our love for him in our service of loyalty to the Church.

**Collections**

Gift Aid: £569.00; Cash: £160.00

**Exposition and Morning Prayers**

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

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### **Parish Office**

The Parish Office is now open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday a.m.

### **New Parish Email Address**

In line with the new GDPR 2018, the Parish has been issued a new Diocesan Email Address: **crayford@rcaos.org.uk.**

### **Parish Telephone Contact**

Please, kindly note that the parish now has one telephone line for both the office and the presbytery: 01322 523492.

### **Appointment of New Parish Priest**

I want to thank you all for your kind understanding, support and prayers after the announcement of my transfer from the parish last weekend. It is indeed a moment of anxiety for all of us, but relying on the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Crays, I believe this period also provides us, individually and collectively, a moment of grace, discernment and openness to the will of God for all of us and our beloved parish.

Archbishop Peter has appointed me as parish priest of Our Lady of the Immaculate, Tolworth in the deanery of Kingston. He has also appointed a new parish priest (to be announced in due course) for Crayford. Thank you and God bless you all. **Father Ignatius**

### **Altar Servers Training**

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> September from 11.30am to 12.30pm. Parents of all new applicants, please kindly take note.

### **Clearing of the Church Compound**

Parishioners are earnestly requested to come out and help clean up our Church grounds on **Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> September from 9-11am.** *Please, bring chain saws and other garden implements.* Cooked breakfast will be provided. Please, kindly sign up in the reception/entrance.

### **Annual Parish Feast Day**

It's about two weeks to our maiden parish feast day celebration on **Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> September.** It will be a day to celebrate together as a parish community through liturgy and worship, followed by sundry entertainments. We want to encourage all parishioners to take active part in the celebration as we hope also to use the occasion to celebrate the rich cultural diversity of our parish. Thank you. **Father Ignatius.**

### **Thank you for your generosity to your Parish**

I want to thank all parishioners for your generous offerings to the Parish throughout the year. This month the next (the 4<sup>th</sup> of 10 installments) payment of £4,000.00 is due for the loan from Welling parish. I know that times are hard, but I would want to encourage those who able, to give a little more to enable us to meet this obligation. Thank you. **Father Ignatius.**

### **Adoremus Eucharistic Pilgrimage & Congress (7-9 September)**

Our parish will join all the faithful in England & Wales to commemorate this moment of grace for the Church in our country from the 7<sup>th</sup> of September, culminating with our Parish Day festival on the 9<sup>th</sup> of September.

We *desperately* need volunteers to help with artistic decoration of the Church (both inside/outside) with Eucharistic themes/motives. Please, contact Father Ignatius as soon as possible.

### **RCIA – Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?**

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) course began three weeks ago with six catechumens/candidates. It is 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 the Catholic faith. **It is held on Monday, from 7.30pm to 8.45pm in the Reception Area.** Registration forms are still available from the parish office.

### **100 Club**

**Winners: 2:** Monica Murrell: **5:** Patrick Keenan £50 each

Kindly consider being a member! It is a great way of raising funds for the parish and the building fund. Your continued support is very greatly appreciated. Please see Jim Saunders. 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. **Richard Gillespie** (Gift-Aid Co-Ordinator)

### **Diocesan Day for Catechists: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018**

All Catechists and Children's Liturgists are invited to attend the annual Diocesan Day for Catechists on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2018 at St. George's Cathedral, Southwark SE1 6HR. This Day is for all Catechists of the Diocese, including those involved in Children's Liturgy of the Word and the RCIA process.

Details of the programme are available on the notice board.

### **Catenian Rosary Collection**

A box is on the wall outside the Repository for the collection of Rosaries, to be sent all around the world to where they are needed, including prisons in this country: new or used provided it is in one piece. Please take a leaflet to find out more about the Catenian Association.

### **Days of Renewal**

An opportunity for refreshment, transformation, healing, Baptism in the Holy Spirit:

**Aylesford Priory:** Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September.

**St George's Cathedral, Southwark:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

**Euston:** Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

For more information please see noticeboard or speak to Annemarie (07966-764756) or Eileen (07748-690823).