



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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The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60: 1-6; Ps 71; Eph. 3: 2-3, 5-6; Matt 2: 1-12

Saturday 6th Jan 2018

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:30pm: Tom and Sheila Flanagan RIP
(Flanagan)

Sunday 7th Jan 2018

8:30am: Ellen Brewer and Len Morris
RIP (Homer)
10:30am: For the People

The Baptism of the Lord

Monday 8th Jan 2018

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: O. M. Wheeler RIP (Evans)

Tuesday 9th Jan 2018 (Feria)

9:15am: Ted Cahill RIP (M Flynn)
11:45am: Wendy Watts Funeral Service
at Eltham Crematorium

Wednesday 10th Jan 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Graham Saunders 50th Birthday
(J & M Saunders) followed by Novena
10:00am: Mass (Convent)

Thursday 11th Jan 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Jennie McCarthy RIP (Murrell)

Friday 12th Jan 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition

9:15am:

SJS Yr.3 and Yr. 4 attending

Saturday 13th Jan 2018 (Feria)

10:00am: Mass (Convent)

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

1 Sam 3: 3-10, 19; Ps 39; 1 Cor. 6: 13-15, 17-20; John 1: 35-42

Saturday 13th Jan 2018

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:30pm: Catherine McKie RIP (Murphy)

Sunday 14th Jan 2018

8:30am: Greatorex Relatives and
Friends RIP (Homer)
10:30am: For the People

Anniversaries of Death

John McGrath, Derek Whitaker, James Morrison, Margaret Mary Glover, Patrick Harris, Amy Masters, Annie Lawless, Jack Yarham, Olive Muriel Wheeler, William Burgess, George Yeo, Agnes Robb, Peter Threlfall, Gordon Scanlon, Caroline Coppings, Alice Shea, Maurice Colyer, Stephan Beegan, Angelo Raccagni, May Davis, Joseph Andrews, Rev. Br. Richard Baptist Quirke, Harry Shelton, Frederick Dowell, Elizabeth Yeo, John Glover, Agnes Gilligan, Linda Savage, George Huggett, Francis Nicholls†

Christ is revealed to all peoples

Wise men from the east guided by a star came to worship Christ. In them we see the homage of all the nations to Christ who is forever the light of the world. We too can become an epiphany- a revealing – of God if we lead full Christian lives.

Collections

Gift Aid: £335.00; Cash: £115.00

New Sound System Appeal: £20.00; **Total to Date: £8,145.00**

Exposition and Morning Prayers

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

Second Collection

Next weekend 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.

Father Ignatius on Holiday

Father Ignatius will be away on holiday from the 27th December to the 26th January 2018. Father Brendan Carmody SJ will be covering all Masses and pastoral matters until the 22nd January 2018.

Noise in the Church

Our Church is becoming increasingly noisy again before, during and at the end of Mass. All are encouraged to maintain the necessary silence required to foster a spirit of prayer, recollection, and devotion, especially in respect to Christ's Presence in the Blessed Sacrament and in charity to people who want to have a quiet time to pray. Conversations can be held in the reception area – and not inside the Church.

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.

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.

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. 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 Winners: 7: Mark Tighe; 86: Jack Pearce

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.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18th-25th January 2018

Day 1 Welcoming the stranger: Welcome someone that you don't know today, offering hospitality

Day 2 Resisting modern slavery: Pray for the victims of human trafficking.

Day 3 Upholding human dignity: Show respect for your own body and that of others.

Day 4 Overcoming violence: Pray for all victims of violence including those wounded by domestic abuse.

Day 5 Pursuing economic justice: "Live simply", weighing up what you really need.

Day 6 God acts for the powerless: Act justly today, sharing with someone in need.

Day 7 Different families: "Be family" for and with others.

Day 8 Call to reconciliation: Reflect on the meaning of "reconciliation" and let yourself be inspired to forgive someone.

Film Evening: Wednesday 24th January 2018

The next film evening will show documentaries on the Shroud of Turn and St. Augustine of Hippo at St. John Fisher Church Hall, Bexley. Admission is free, light refreshments available, bar open and all welcome. 7pm for 7.30pm start.

Father Peter Madden RIP May He Rest in Peace✠

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Father Peter Madden who died on the 16th December 2017.

Funeral Arrangements

Father Peter will be brought into St. Paul's on Sunday 21st January in time for a quiet Mass at 5pm. Archbishop Peter Smith will then preside at the Funeral mass the next day, Monday 22nd January at Midday. Father Peter asked to be buried in Canterbury City Cemetery, Westgate Court Avenue, Canterbury CT2 8JL. We estimate the cortege will arrive there at 2.15pm. Father Peter was very keen on everyone, including people from other Churches, being invited to a reception in Dover Town Hall. A hot meal will be served, for those not going to the Cemetery, from 1.45pm and then again at about 3.30pm for those who travelled to Canterbury.

(St. Paul's Church Newsletter) 103 Maison Dieu Road, Dover CT16 1RU.

Mrs. Wendy Watts RIP May She Rest in Peace✠

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Wendy Watts of 128A Iron Mill Lane, Crayford DA1 4RR. The Funeral Service will be held at Eltham Crematorium North Chapel on Tuesday 9th January 2018 at 11.45am.