



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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Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

Job 7: 1-4, 6-7; Ps 146; 1 Cor. 9: 16-19, 22-23; Mark 1: 29-39

Saturday 3rd Feb 2018

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

Sunday 4th Feb 2018

8:30am: Homer Family RIP (Homer)
10:30am: For the People

St Agatha

Monday 5th Feb 2018

6:30pm: Exposition
7:00pm: Brian Muldoon RIP (Cope)

St Paul Miki and Companions

Tuesday 6th Feb 2018

9:15am: Tony Hull RIP (Hughes)

Wednesday 7th Feb 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Theresa George Birthday
(T. George) followed by Novena
10:00am: Mass (Convent)

Thursday 8th Feb 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Tom and Sheila Flanagan RIP
(Flanagan)

Friday 9th Feb 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Gaynor Mullane (J & M
Saunders) SJS Yr. 5 and Yr. 2 attending

St Scholastica

Saturday 10th Feb 2018

10:00am: Mass (Convent)

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

Lev 13: 1-2, 44-46; Ps 31; 1 Cor. 10: 31-11:1; Mark 1: 40-45

Saturday 10th Feb 2018

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:30pm: Rev Edmund Carroll RIP

Sunday 11th Feb 2018

8:30am: Catherine McKie RIP (Ives)
10:30am: For the People

Anniversaries of Death

John Goffrey, Peter Berzolla, John Gavin, Henry Finch, Patrick Foley, Albert Cowdell, John Harrington, Peg Willis, Daniel Dunning, Robert Russell, Rev. Edmund Carroll, Thomas Coligan, Winifred Joyce†

Everybody is looking for Christ

Christ gives meaning to our lives. Without him life would be no better than hired drudgery, but with his spirit in us all our service of others is done for love of him. It is a service which brings us perfect freedom. The world needs Christ and it is our duty to bring him to everyone.

Collections

Gift Aid: £451.00; Cash: £206.00

White Flower Appeal: Gift Aid: £85.00; Cash: £147.00

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

This weekend there is a second collection for Racial Justice which supports the work of the Catholic Church to promote racial justice in our schools, parishes and in wider society.

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.

Racial Justice Sunday

Galatians 3: 28 *There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

In his message for the celebration of World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2018, Pope Francis says: *“Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age”.*

We are therefore called to open our heart to those who are discriminated, those who are lonely, and those who are hurt and feel cut off from their communities. We invite your community not to neglect the tragedy of suffering migrants among us. *“...for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty you gave me drink ...”* As Catholics we are asked to treat all humans with dignity regardless of their background or circumstance. There are many stories of alienation throughout the Bible, with clear calls to *“Love the stranger”*. That the Church is a place where all belong is clearly seen in the Feast of the Epiphany, when Christ is revealed not only to the Israelites, but to all of God’s people.

Deanery 24 Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament St. Mary of the Crays, Crayford: March 2018 (date t.b.a)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place here at St. Mary of the Crays in March 2018 in preparation of the 2018 National Eucharistic Congress. The vigil is intended for prayers for the success of the National Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool in September and those that attend will be able to revitalise our parishes to understand the meaning it has in our lives.

Lenten Schedule

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 8.30am every weekday during Lent, except on Monday (6.30pm).

Stations of the Cross: *Wednesday mornings* after Mass and *Wednesday evenings* at 7.30pm, commencing on Wednesday 21st February.

Reconciliation Service for Young People

For all young people who received First Holy Communion within the last two years on Saturday 24th February at 9am followed by a Reception.

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, some parents are continuing to violate 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.

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.

Gift Aid

The Gift Aid Scheme is now being administered by Richard Gillespie.

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 Richard. Please note every £5.00 you give in Gift Aid is worth £6.25 to St. Mary's.

We would like to thank Peter Phillips for his many years of hard work and dedication to the administration of the Gift Aid Scheme for our Parish.

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.

Film Evening

The next film evening will be on Wednesday 21st February showing a documentary and a short movie on Blessed John Henry Newman. The films will be shown in St. John Fisher Church Hall, Bexley. Admission is free, light refreshments will be served, bar open, and all are welcome. Arrivals from 7pm for 7:30pm start.

Mrs. Joan Brooks RIP May She Rest in Peace✠

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Joan Brooks (Tina Saunders' Mother), who has recently died.

Committal: Hither Green Crematorium, Verdant Lane, Catford SE6 1TP on Monday 5th February 2018 at 11.30a.m.

Mrs. Phil Nathanielsz RIP May She Rest in Peace✠

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Phil Nathanielsz who has recently died.

Reception of Remains: 22nd February at 5pm: **Funeral:** Friday 23rd February at 9.30am.