



*St Mary of the Crays
Catholic Church*

Mass is celebrated

Monday – Friday at 9.15am

***(Exposition & Morning Prayer:
8.30am)***

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 Easter (B)

Acts 9: 26-31; Ps 21; 1 John 3: 18-24; John 15: 1-8

Saturday 28th April 2018

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

Sunday 29th April 2018

8:30am: For the People
10:30am: Joshua Johny Birthday (T. George)
Baptism of Leo Gray Cooper

Monday 30th April 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Communion Service

St. Joseph the Worker

Tuesday 1st May 2018

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: C McKie RIP (E & A Staunton)

St. Athanasius

Wednesday 2nd May 2018

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Dec'd of Hanrahan & Holden Families followed by Novena
10.00am: Shalom Convent

Ss Philip and James

Thursday 3rd May 2018

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Whitaker/Hotine Families RIP

The English Martyrs

Friday 4th May 2018

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Umberto Ferrando (J&M Saunders)

Saturday 5th May 2018 (Feria)

10:00am: Shalom Convent

Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 97; 1 John 4: 7-10; John 15: 9-17

Saturday 5th May 2018

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:30pm: Phil Nathanielsz RIP

Sunday 6th May 2018

8:30am: Richard Hanrahan RIP
10:30am: Sheila and Tom Flanagan RIP

Anniversaries of Death

Mr. and Mrs. Lamb, Norman Grainger, Kathleen Twomey, Thomas Keaveney, Ernest Rice, Kitty Geaney, Ivy Taylor, Ellen Regan, May Irwin, Charles Hughes, Bridget Hemenstall, Julia Charteris, Marjorie Masters, Norah Cullen, Margaret Kitterick, John Sullivan, Mary Bargery†

Jesus is the true vine

We are to share the life of God through grace. It is like the sap in the branches that comes to them from the vine. If we really love God then we must allow Christ into our lives which we share with him. By keeping this commandment of love God will live in us.

Collections

Gift Aid: £376.00; Cash: £148.00

Ecclesiastical Education: Gift Aid: £174.00; Cash: £74.00

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 St. George's Cathedral, which helps to meet the cost of upkeep of the Cathedral, which is the Mother Church of the Diocese. **Gift Aiders can use one of the spare envelopes, but please add your Gift Aid number.**

Baptism Courses

Baptism Courses for parents who wish to baptise their children between June and September 2018. 3 mandatory sessions: Tuesday, 15, 22, and 29 May 2018, at 7.30pm. Contact parish office or Anne Connor for registration.

Altar Servers Rally 2018

Southwark Altar Servers are invited to attend the 41st Annual Rally on May Day Bank Holiday Monday 7th May 2018 at The Friars, Aylesford Priory, Kent. Please, see notice board for detailed programme.

NB: 1. May I make a passionate appeal to parents of our Altar Servers to encourage them to attend this event.

2. We need two adult volunteers to organise this event. Please, kindly contact Father Ignatius.

Mass in celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage St. George's Cathedral: 16th June 2018

If you are celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 50th or 60th + wedding anniversary this year and would like to attend this Mass at St. George's Cathedral, please contact Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinators on marriages@tiscali.co.uk or 020 8690 9310 so that you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop.

RCIA – Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

Are you an adult Catholic who has not been confirmed? Or an adult who has not been baptised? Or a Christian of other denominations who would like to be received into the Catholic Church or would like to know more about the Catholic faith? Consider joining the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) course. 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. 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.

Deanery 24-Hour Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Our Lady of the Rosary, Blackfen: 4th/5th May 2018

The 24-hour adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in May will be at Our Lady of the Rosary, 330a Burnt Oak Lane, Blackfen DA15 8LW, starting on Friday 4th May, with Mass at 5.30pm followed by Exposition with sung Vespers; ending with Benediction on Saturday 5th May before 6pm Vigil Mass. At 3pm on Saturday we will say the Divine Mercy Prayer.

Bexley Deanery Retreat

Friday 28th September – Sunday 30th September 2018

Full details on the notice board. Booking forms are available in the reception area. **Deadline for booking: Monday 18th June 2018.**

Archdiocese Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Archdiocese Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes with Clifton, East Anglia and Northampton Dioceses is being led this year by Archbishop Peter Smith, from 24th to 31st August 2018; Flights from Stansted.

For more information/booking: Tel: 01732 886 666/0800 917 357 or

Visit: www.catholicassociation.co.uk or www.tangney-tours.com/CA

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

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

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.

March for Life UK/LifeFest 18

March for Life UK/LifeFest 18 will take place on Saturday 5th May in Central London: **9.30-1pm** in Connaught Rooms, Covent Garden; **1.30** Procession/March; **2.30-4pm** Rally in Parliament Square with speeches. Please, visit marchforlife.co.uk for full itinerary or see the poster in the reception area.

St. John's Seminary, Wonersh

The Seminary, near Guildford, Surrey (which has been involved in the formation of priests for over 125 years) is looking for some help with the cost of redecoration and refurbishment of 30 of its bedrooms, which have received little or no upgrading for 40+ years. Many rooms have threadbare or no carpets, and curtains which are close to disintegration. Some of the beds and other furniture started their life in the Junior Seminary at Marks Cross, Sussex – which closed in 1970. The Seminary operates on a very tight budget, and there are no funds available for this much-needed work, which would cost in the region of £2,000.00 per room.

PS. The suggestion has been made to me that parishioners who wish to contribute should do so through the parish so that we can donate as a parish, hopefully, towards the cost of redoing one room (£2,000.00). Fr Ig

17th Divine Mercy Conference: *Divine Mercy for the Family*

Saturday 16th June 2018; 10.30am-6pm

For tickets, more information and contact details, please see the notice board.

John and June McCarthy RIP May they Rest in Peace †

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John and June McCarthy. **Funeral:** 1st May at St. Anselm's at 11.30am: **Committal:** Eltham crematorium at 13:15.