



*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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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 & Regina Bernard RIP
10:30am: Sheila and Tom Flanagan RIP

Monday 7th May 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Marion Gillespie (McKie)

Tuesday 8th May 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Les Connor (wellbeing)

Wednesday 9th May 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Maureen Smith RIP (D'Cruze)
followed by Novena
10:00am: Shalom Convent

The Ascension of the Lord

Thursday 10th May 2018

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: Patricia Hanrahan (E&A Staunton) SJS attending
12.30pm: Shalom Convent
7:00pm: For all Parishioners

Friday 11th May 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition
9:15am: June McCarthy RIP (Hanrahan)

Saturday 12th May 2018 (Feria)

10:00am: Shalom Convent

Seventh Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26; Ps 102; 1 John 4: 11-16; John 17: 11-19

Saturday 12th May 2018

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

Sunday 13th May 2018

8:30am: For the People
10:30am: Joan Brooks RIP (Trombetti)

Anniversaries of Death

Eileen Maxted, Molly and Tommy Boshell, Beatrice Caine, Thomas Robb, Richard Hanrahan, Kitty Patterson, Catherine Sheppard, Caroline Harvey, Luigi Broglia, Harry Freeman, Eleanor Callen, Alfred Nutt✠

God is love

True love is from God. The Holy Spirit comes not only to us but to many outside the visible Church. In these people we too praise the wonderful saving power of God. We prove we are Christians by the generous love which we show to one another and to all people irrespective of race, colour or creed.

Collections

Gift Aid: £426.00; Cash: £193.00
St. George's Cathedral: Gift Aid: £145.00; Cash: £60.00;
St. John's Seminary: £100.00

Exposition and Morning Prayers

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

The Ascension of the Lord: 10th May 2018

Thursday 10th May is the Solemnity, The Ascension of the Lord, and is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be two Masses at 9.15am and 7pm.

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.

Novena to the Holy Spirit

The Novena to the Holy Spirit starts on Friday after Mass for nine days in preparation for Pentecost. Please, kindly join us to pray the Novena. You can also obtain the Novena booklet (or access it online) to pray it at home with your family or on your own.

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.

First Holy Communion

On Sunday 27th May we will be celebrating the First Holy Communion by the Candidates in our Parish. Please remember all these children, their families and the catechists in your prayers.

Please support your Parish by buying First Holy Communion items/souvenirs which will be displayed in the reception area after all Messes from this weekend, or from the Repository.

Repository

Come and visit our Repository next to the Parish Office. We have cards, Missals, Rosary Beads, Crucifixes, Prayer Books, other literature together with Confirmation, Baptism and First Holy Communion items.

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?

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.

52nd Celebration of World Communications Day: Sunday 13th May

On Sunday 13th May Catholics are encouraged to pray for all those professionals who work in the field of communications. A particular intention is for those who are responsible for communicating on behalf of the Catholic Church in this country and when a second collection is taken after Mass to fund this important work. The communications office of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales plays an important role in developing the public profile of the Church through word and image. Prayer cards are available in the reception area.

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.

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

Bexley Deanery Retreat: 28th–30th September 2018

Full details on the notice board. Booking forms are available in reception area.

Deadline for booking: Monday 18th June 2018.

St. George's Cathedral Choristers' Recruitment Day Saturday 19th May 2018; 10am-4pm: see notice board for details

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 Ignatius

Margaret Griffith RIP May She Rest in Peace✠

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Griffith, Liz Doherty's Mother, who has died aged 102. Our prayers are with the Doherty family at this time.

