



*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)

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 5:30pm-6:15pm

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**Parish office**

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

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*(Not available on Thursday from after Mass)*

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**Parish Hall**

For enquiries and bookings  
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## Seventh Sunday of Easter (B)

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

### Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2018

8.30am: Exposition  
9.15am: Laura Roper RIP (B. Youngs)  
followed by Novena to the Holy Spirit  
5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6:30pm: Catherine McKie RIP (Pulford)

### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018

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

### St. Matthias

#### Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am: John and June McCarthy RIP  
(Gillespie) followed by Novena

### Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am: Patricia Fernandez and  
Lawrence Cajetan RIP followed by  
Novena

### St. Simon Stock

#### Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am: James Foy (B Youngs) followed  
by Novena

### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am: John Kellagher RIP (Cope)  
followed by Novena

### Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am: Shane Cuffe RIP (K Marshall)  
followed by Novena

### Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018 (Feria)

8.30am: Exposition  
9.15am: Gjyste Fierza RIP followed by  
Novena (last day of Novena)  
10:00am: Shalom Convent

## Pentecost Sunday (B)

**Acts 2: 1-11; Ps 103; Gal 5: 16-25; John 15: 26-27, 16: 12-15**

### Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6:30pm: Bernadette Giles RIP  
(Catherine & Greatorex Family)

### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018

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

## Anniversaries of Death

Henry Larner, P. J. Bonyng, Alice Morgan, Gary Cod, Nancy Lester, Stanley Simes, Mariane Wilkins, Roisin McClinton, David McConville, William Dann, Eric Morley, Michael O'Sullivan, Sheila Tomkin, James Hughes†

## In love we are united

God is love and if we are to live in him then this comes about through love, his gift to us in the Holy Spirit. Christ is always with us and constantly prays for us to his Father. He does not leave us orphans but becomes through his presence the source of our joy and union with his Father. Anyone who lives in love lives in God.

### Collections:

Gift Aid: £350.00; Cash: £158.00

St. John's Seminary: £25.00: **Total to Date: £125.00**

### Exposition and Morning Prayers

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

## **Second Collections**

This weekend there is a second collection for the Building Fund.

Next weekend there will be a second collection for World Communications Day which supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network, the Media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

**Gift Aiders can use one of the spare envelopes, but please add your Gift Aid number.**

## **52<sup>nd</sup> Celebration of World Communications Day: Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

This Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> 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.

## **First Holy Communion**

On Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> 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 Masses from this weekend, or from the Repository.

## **Altar Servers Rehearsal**

Any Altar Servers who would like to serve at the First Holy Communion Mass at 10.30am on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May and at the Corpus Christ Mass at 10.30am on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, could you please sign up. The date for the compulsory rehearsal will be announced shortly.

## **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.

## **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.

## **100 Club Winners:**

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.

**A Day with Mary: 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018** see notice board

**Altar Servers Summer Break**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August; Woldingham, Surrey: £145**

This is an excellent few days for boy and girl servers aged 10-15. Meeting in a holiday atmosphere activities include talks, discussions, prayer, daily Mass as well as sport, Chessington World of Adventures, Laser Elite and swimming. For more details collect form from parish office, contact Fr. Stephen Boyle on 01322 220075, download from [www.stanselmsdartford.wordpress.com](http://www.stanselmsdartford.wordpress.com) or email [stanselm01@googlemail.com](mailto:stanselm01@googlemail.com)

**Bexley Deanery Retreat: 28<sup>th</sup>–30<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

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

**Deadline for booking: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018; Flights from Stansted. For more information/booking: Tel: 01732 886 666/0800 917 357 or Visit: [www.catholicassociation.co.uk](http://www.catholicassociation.co.uk) or [www.tangney-tours.com/CA](http://www.tangney-tours.com/CA)

**CAFOD Share the Journey Pilgrimage**

As a contribution to CAFOD's campaign, the Parish of Our Lady Immaculate and St. Andrew, Hitchin is organising a pilgrimage around the London Outer Orbital Path (the LOOP) consisting of a series of prayerful day walks taking place between May and June 2018. The LOOP passes close to St. Mary of the Crays, walking from Erith to Old Bexley Village on the 28<sup>th</sup> May. Lunch will be in Cray Gardens. Parishioners are invited. See notice board.

**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**

**Laura Roper RIP May She Rest in Peace✠**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Laura Roper of 2 Eardemont Close, Crayford DA1 4RU who has recently died. **Funeral Service:** 21<sup>st</sup> May at 12 noon. **Committal:** Hillview Cemetery, Welling at 1.30pm.

**Margaret Griffith RIP May She Rest in Peace✠**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Griffith, Liz Doherty's Mother. **Funeral:** St. Lawrence's, Sidcup at 12.30pm on 24<sup>th</sup> May. **Committal:** Falconwood Crematorium at 2pm. Family flowers only. Donations to Great Ormond Street Hospital.