



*St Mary of the Crays  
Catholic Church*

**Mass is celebrated**

Monday – Friday at 9.15am

***(Exposition & Morning Prayer:  
8.30am; Novena to Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help: Wednesday,  
after Mass***

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, Tuesday,  
Wednesday, Friday

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**Priest Surgery:** Tuesday, 7-8pm

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**Parish Priest**

Fr. Ignatius Aniekanabasi Edet

**Assistant Priest**

Fr. Joseph Edem

**Parish School**

St. Joseph's Primary School  
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**Parish Hall**

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## Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

**Wis. 2: 12, 17-20; Ps 53; Jas 3: 16-4: 3; Mark 9: 30-37**

### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep 2018

5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6:30pm: Nancy Hogan  
(Coyne/Whitaker)

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep 2018

8:30am: Edward Patrick Hennessy RIP  
10:30am: Kannath Family RIP (George)

### Our Lady of Walsingham

#### Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am:

### Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am: Brian McKie (Hughes)

### Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am: Edmund Laszcz RIP followed by  
Novena  
10:00am: Shalom Convent

### St. Vincent de Paul

#### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am:

### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018 (Feria)

8:30am: Exposition  
9:15am:

### Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

#### Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018

10:00am: Shalom Convent

## Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

**Num. 11: 25-29; Ps 18; Jas 5: 1-6; Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48**

### Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018

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

### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Sep 2018

8:30am: Marion Gillespie RIP (R & A  
Gillespie)  
10:30am: Chathely Family RIP (George)  
with Baptism of Jasmin and Ariyan  
Selvaratnam

## Anniversaries of Death

Gerard Byrne, J. D. Bourke, Arthur Stainer, Frank Connaughton, Mr. Watson, Delia Connolly, Alfred Bushell, Bill Wilks, Reginald Stafford, Samuel Yeo, William Tunstall, Frank Waugh, Eddie Laszcz, Elizabeth Stickings, Emily Downey, James Irwin, Thomas McDermott, Eric Burgess, Alan Simpson, Joan O'Donovan †

## Christ must die a shameful death

When Christ explained to his followers that he must die a shameful death they did not understand him. We too do not understand suffering even though we are surrounded by it on all sides. When we carry our cross with resignation we discover a peace that the world cannot give.

## Collections

Gift Aid: £671; Cash: £166; Home Mission: Gift Aid: £58; Cash: £139  
Building Fund: £50: **Total to date: £9,014.55**

## Exposition and Morning Prayers

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

### **Father David Gummett Appointed as our New Parish Priest**

Father David Gummett has been appointed as the new parish priest of Crayford by Archbishop Peter. Father David is currently the parish priest of St John Fisher, Merton. We look forward to welcoming him, while praying that this period of transition will deepen our commitment to our beloved parish community. Due to already scheduled appointments within and outside of the Diocese, Father David will resume his pastoral duties here in Crayford on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018.

I will be leaving the parish after the weekend of the 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> September. Father Joseph Edem will provide pastoral care for the parish in the interim.

**Father Ignatius**

### **Father Ignatius' Farewell Mass**

Father Ignatius will be here to officially bid farewell to parishioners over the weekend of the 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> October; farewell Mass proper, on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am. More details to be communicated later by the Parish Pastoral Council. **Mark Bradley, Chair of PPC**

### **Signing of School Forms on Monday, 24 September**

I will be available for signing school forms and any other administrative matters that cannot wait until Father David's resumption on Monday 6-7pm. Thank you. **Father Ignatius.**

### **Presentation of *Fideliter Servienti* Awards**

I am happy to announce the Award of the Diocesan Medal in recognition of faithful service to the Church to four of our parishioners who have served the parish faithfully in different ministries and have recently stood down from active ministry by the Archbishop. The Awards and the Medals will be conferred on Peter Phillips, Helen Davies, Pauline White and Christina Redmond at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018. On behalf of the parish I want to congratulate them and their families on their awards.

### **Altar Servers Training**

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September from 11.30am - 12.30pm. Could all new Altar Servers kindly take note. Thank you.

### **Sacrament of Confirmation 2019**

Bishop Patrick Lynch has written to say that he will be visiting our Parish on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2019 to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Young people:** if you are currently in School Years 8, 9 and above, please start to give consideration as to whether or not you would like to be included in the preparation.

**Programme to receive this important Sacrament:** Further information and application forms will be available in the forthcoming weeks, but initially you should start to prepare yourselves by giving serious thought as to whether you are prepared to make the commitment of attending the Confirmation sessions and partaking in weekly Mass and Holy Communion with your parents and family members.

### **RCIA Course Week 8**

This week's catechesis will focus on the theme of Prayer. Please, kindly continue to keep our six catechumens and candidates in your prayers as they continue their journey in faith. Thank you.

### **October: The Month of the Holy Rosary**

October is traditionally the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary. In praying the Rosary, we meditate on the mysteries of Christ's life, suffering, death and resurrection. You are welcome to join our parish Rosary Group in praying the Rosary after daily morning Mass. St. Joseph School will be praying the Rosary on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> October at 8.30am before the start of School. All parents and children are welcome to attend.

### **All Saints & All Soul Days (November 1 & 2)**

**1<sup>st</sup> November: All Saints Day** is celebrated in honour of all of the Saints, known and unknown. **It is a Holy Day of Obligation and Mass will be at 9.15am and 7pm.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> November: All Souls Day** is a commemoration of all the faithful departed. There will be Mass at 9.15am and 7pm. **A special service of Remembrance will be held at the 7pm Mass** in commemoration of all those parishioners who have died during the last year. All who have lost a relative or friend during the last year would be invited to light a candle each in their memory; all who attend will also be welcome to light a candle for their departed loved ones.

### **Support Your Parish by Patronising Our Repository**

Our Repository is now stocked with new items, including 2019 Diaries and Calendars, Advent Calendars, Christmas Cards, votive Mass Cards, etc. Kindly support your parish by buying your gift items from the Parish Repository. It is always open throughout the week before & after Masses.

### **The date of our Christmas Bazaar is Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November; 12-4pm**

This is not just a fundraising event, it is an opportunity for our parish and community to get together and take part in what is always a fun day. We need volunteers to help organise the event. Please contact Tina Saunders on 07947 184212. Don't be shy - volunteer today! Thanks, and God bless!

### **The Use of Church Car Park for School Pick-Up and Drop-Off**

This is a polite reminder that since **1<sup>st</sup> 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!***

### **100 Club Winners: 9: Brian McKie: 15: Peter Coward £50 each**

Kindly consider being a member! It is a great way of raising funds for the parish and the building fund. Please see Jim Saunders. Thank you.

### **Gift Aid**

May I remind all parishioners that it is very easy to become a member of the Gift-Aid Scheme. A 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. **Richard Gillespie** (Gift-Aid Co-Ordinator)

### **11 Plus Tuition**

Is your child currently in Year 5? Are you looking for 11+ Tuition in preparation for their exams? One of our parishioners has a wealth and years of experience in tutoring. Please contact Mrs. Ezinne on 07957 628629 for further information.

### **Maria da Silva RIP May She Rest in Peace✠**

Please pray for the repose of Maria da Silva. Our prayers and condolences to her daughter Sandra and the family. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.