

Fourth Sunday of Lent (C) Josh 5: 9-12; Ps 33; 2 Cor. 5: 17-21; Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32	
Saturday 30th Mar 2019 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) 6:30pm: John Kulczycki (Carol and Marion)	Sunday 31st Mar 2019 8:30am: Dennis Ives RIP (St. Mary's Social Club) 10:30am: People of the Parish
Monday 1st Apr 2019 (Feria) 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Brian McKie RIP (B. Youngs)	Tuesday 2nd Apr 2019 (Feria) 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Puritan Gill RIP (D'Mello)
Wednesday 3rd Apr 2019 (Feria) 8:30: Exposition 9:15am: All deceased parishioners followed by Stations of the Cross 10:00am: The Haughey Family (LSU) at Shalom Convent	Thursday 4th Apr 2019 (Feria) 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Frank Byrne RIP (Cope) Followed by Novena
First Friday Friday 5th Apr 2019 (Feria) 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Nora O'Shea RIP N.B: First Friday Devotions in St. Anselm's West Hill, Dartford DA1 2HJ	First Saturday Saturday 6th Apr 2019 (Feria) 8:15am: Exposition and First Saturday Devotions 9:15am: Private Intention 11:00am: at Shalom Convent
Fifth Sunday of Lent (C) Is 43: 16-21; Ps 125; Phil 3: 8-14; John 8: 1-11	
Saturday 6th Apr 2019 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) 6:30pm: Brian McKie RIP (Betty and Mick Murphy)	Sunday 7th Apr Mar 2019 8:30am: In Thanksgiving (Dianne Marriner) 10:30am: People of the Parish
Anniversaries of Death	
Marcella Jackson, Eric Harling, James McIntosh, Gladys Mole, Fred Davies, Frank Capon, Anastasia Jones, Margaret Lynch, Mary Bargery, Lucy Raccagni, Mary Scanlon, Peter Walsh, Mary O'Keefe, Kevin Lungley, Francis Atkinson, John Toomey, James Cain, Donald Mathews, Violet Chandler, Margaret Clark, Stanley Edward Locke	
God reconciles us to himself in Christ	
Christ is our new creation. In him we are reborn. When we were dead through sin Christ came to reconcile us to the Father. Now we are ambassadors for Christ and are privileged to proclaim the Good News. Christ takes away our shame if only we will return to the Father's house as prodigal sons confessing our weakness and waywardness.	



St Mary of the Crays
Catholic Church
(part of the Roman Catholic
Archdiocese of Southwark)

Holy 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
of the Word of God)

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 5:30pm-6:15pm
and on request

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Collections

Parish Collection: Gift Aid: £460.00; Cash: £112.00; LEPR: £450.00
Thank you for your continued generosity and financial support

Second Collection

Next weekend there will be a second collection for **the flowers for the Church for Easter.**

Exposition and Morning Prayer

Please come and visit Our Lord: the Church is open from 8am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Morning Prayer at 8.50am on weekday mornings throughout the year.



First Saturday Devotion

The First Saturday Devotion will take place every First Saturday morning with Exposition at 8.15am followed by Mass at 9.15am. The Devotion consists of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, receiving Holy Communion, reciting a decade of the Rosary and a 15 minute meditation in the company of Our Lady. The First Saturday Devotion (also called the Act of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary), according to Lúcia of Fátima, was requested by the Virgin Mary in an apparition at Pontevedra, Spain in December 1925.



Lenten Programme 2019

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 8.30am every weekday.

Stations of the Cross: *Wednesdays* after 9:15am Mass.

Novena of the Miraculous Medal: *Thursdays* after 9:15am Mass during Lent

“Let It Be Done Unto Me according to Your Word”: 7.30pm-9:00pm:

- ◆ **Thursday 4th April: Sessions 3 and 4**
- ◆ **Thursday 11th April: Session 5 and bonus material**

Wishing you all a grace-filled and blessed Lent.

Lenten Penitential Services

1. **St. Lawrence of Canterbury, Sidcup:** Monday 8th April at 7.30pm
2. **St. Stephen's, Welling:** Thursday 11th April at 7.30pm.
3. **St. Anselm's, 89 West Hill, Dartford:** Friday 12th April 2019; 7-8pm followed by Mass and includes Eucharistic Healing Service.
3. **St. John Fisher, Bexley:** Monday 15th April at 7pm.
4. **Our Lady of the Angels, Erith:** Tuesday 16th April at 7.30pm

Happy Mothering Sunday to all Mothers

I would like to wish all Grandmothers, Mothers, Mothers-to-be, Godmothers and Spiritual Mothers too, a very Happy Mothering Sunday. Father David.

St Joseph's School Easter Service Invitation

The children and staff warmly invite parishioners to their Easter Service on **Monday 1st April 2019 at 10.15 am.**

100 Club

Please join our 100 Club. Please contact 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.

New Fundraising Ideas

The toilets upstairs in the Church Centre are in urgent need of refurbishment and we are looking for ways to raise more funds. If any parishioners have any thoughts about fundraising ideas, please contact Jim Saunders, Ron Bull or Josie Coward with your thoughts. We look forward to hearing your ideas and thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Easter Egg Hunt

We are holding an Easter Egg Hunt after the 10.30am Mass on **Easter Sunday, 21st April.** It will be open to children up to Year 6 school age. The entrance fee per child will be **£1.**

All profits will go to the Building Fund. Please support this idea which came from Chinaza Eke, one of our Parish Confirmation Candidates.

Tickets available from Jim Saunders or the Parish Office.

We are looking for contributions of small Easter eggs. Please could you bring your Easter eggs to the Sacristy. Thank you.



St. Mary's Community Club

The Club is open to relax with friends on Friday and Saturday evenings 7.30-11.00pm and Sunday Lunchtimes 12.00-2.00pm. Making use of the Community Club facilities is to be encouraged for Family Events, Baptisms, maybe a Funeral or as a means of socializing with parishioners. The Club is a great asset and benefit to the Parish and should be enjoyed by all. Community Club bookings can be made via Anne-Marie at the bar.

Gift Aid

If you are a Tax Payer, you need only fill in the form available in the Church entrance with a few details. Please place the form in the Sacristy or the Parish Office. 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).

‘Knights of the Air’: Alcock and Brown Centenary 2019

John Alcock and Arthur Whitten Brown were the first to successfully fly across the Atlantic on 14-15 June 1919. They made the journey in a WW1 “Vickers Vimy” plane originally designed and built in the Vickers factory here in Crayford.

The pilots visited Crayford to celebrate their success on the 23rd July 1919. To mark this important centenary, the Alcock and Brown Centenary Project Group (Crayford), supported by the London Borough of Bexley and with a grant from The National Lottery Heritage Fund, have organized a number of special events throughout 2019.

Please see the fliers for full details of the events to be held in the area this year.

May They Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the Souls of **Christine Hand** and **Mary Goodhind** who have recently died. Our thoughts, prayers and condolences are with their families at this time of immense loss. May their Souls and the Souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **Amen.**

Mary Goodhind: Funeral: Monday 1st April at 12 noon, at St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Tamworth Road, Long Eaton.

Christine Hand: Funeral: Wednesday 3rd April at 11:30am at **St. John Fisher, Bexley.**