

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Gen 18: 20-32; Ps 137; Col 2: 12-14; Luke 11: 1-13	
Saturday 27th July 2019 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) 6:30pm: Vocations (Catenian Association)	Sunday 28th July 2019 8:30am: People of the Parish 10:30am: Barry Frederick Colman RIP (Colman Family) 12:30pm: Creed Baptism
St. Martha Monday 29th July 2019 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Joanne McClean RIP (Prayers please for Father David: 40 years of Priesthood)	Tuesday 30th July 2019 (Feria) (St. Peter Chrysologus) 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Derek Forsdyke RIP 10:00am: Fr Alexander Fraser RIP at Shalom Convent
St. Ignatius of Loyola Wednesday 31st July 2019 8:30: Exposition 9:15am: Tony Gaffney (Helen Davies) Followed by Novena	St. Alphonsus Liguori (St. Peter in Chains) Thursday 1st August 2019 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Mary Stevens RIP (LSU)
First Friday Friday 2nd August 2019 (Feria) (St. Eusebius of Vercelli, St. Peter Julian Eymard) 8:30am: Exposition 9:15am: Peggy Gledhill (Hull)	First Saturday Saturday 3rd August 2019 (Feria) (Our Lady) 8:15am Exposition and First Saturday Devotion 9:15am: Fr Charles Jeffries RIP 10:30am: at Shalom Convent
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) Eccl. 1: 2, 2: 21-23; Ps 89; Col 3: 1-5, 9-11; Luke 12: 13-21	
Saturday 3rd August 2019 5:30-6:15pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) 6:30pm: Brian McKie RIP (Lyons)	Sunday 4th August 2019 8:30am: People of the Parish 10:30am: Bill McKie RIP (McKie)

Anniversaries of Death

Michael Sullivan, Joseph Glover, Alison Leggatt, Daniel Glover, Alfred Concy, Derek Forsdyke, Joanne McClean, Bridie Curran, James Cox, Gina Berzolla, Catherine O'Connell, Eileen Harris, Anna Binns, Grace Cannon, Michael Coughlan, Emma Johnson, Gertrude Murray

God is our Father

When we pray Christ tells us that we are to call God our "Father". Through Baptism we share with Christ in the sonship of God. We are to persist in our prayers to God and he will answer us just because he is our Father. We must ask until we receive and seek until we find.



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 the
Miraculous Medal:
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: £283.00; Cash: £173.00

Apostleship of the Sea: Gift Aid: £58.00; Cash: £85.00

Thank you for your continued generosity and financial support

Second Collection

This weekend there is a second collection for Flowers for the Church.

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

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.



Father David: Forty Years of Priesthood

Father David would like to share with you his joy of celebrating Forty years of Priesthood. Please pray for him on the Feast of St. Martha (Mary and Lazarus) of Bethany on Monday 29th July.

May we celebrate this Ruby Jubilee on Saturday 5th October 2019 please?

Tuesday 30th July 2019

Morning Mass at **Shalom Convent** will be on **Tuesday 30th July** this week and **not on Wednesday 31st July**.

First Friday All Night Vigil at St. Anselm's Dartford Friday 2nd August 2019

10:00pm: Mass;

10:40pm: Exposition, Devotions, silent prayer and offering of oneself

5:45am: Benediction; **6:00am:** Mass

First Saturday Devotion

First Saturday Devotion takes 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.



Trustees for the Social Club

The Social Club is looking to appoint two Trustees to join the Governing Body of the Social Club here at St. Mary of the Crays. The role of the Trustees is to review the existing overall administration and running of the Club to ensure its objectives are maintained which are: The fostering of the spiritual, cultural and social life of the community, the encouragement of Christian responsibility in the Parish and to provide assistance for the material benefit of the Parish. The Governing Body would meet on a bi-monthly basis. Please give the position your consideration and if interested contact Fr. David or Tina Saunders (07947 184212) or Peter Coward (07804 135632). Thank you.

Calling all those children who think they are eligible for First Holy Communion 2020

If you wish to be considered for the First Holy Communion Programme 2020 then Father David would like to hear from **YOU**. Please write to him telling him why you would like to receive First Holy Communion and why you want to enroll on the First Communion Programme. He will be waiting eagerly to hear from you before the **end of July 2019**. Drop your letter into the Presbytery. Make sure you sign your full name. God bless you and thanks.

Calling all parents who wish to enroll their child on the First Holy Communion Programme 2020

Please take and fill in the application form which you will find on the table as you come into Church. You need to return it by **Sunday 11th August**. Applications after this date cannot be considered as the programme begins in early September. Please return your form to Father David, Bernadette Hughes or Anne Russell. Thank you. Look forward to hearing from you.

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. Please see Father David or contact the parish office.

St. Mary's Grounds

Before Easter we were planning to replant shrubs in the front border and asked if anyone would like to contribute by purchasing/donating a shrub. We do have some of the shrubs now and this is still a work in progress but we will need to organise another work day to help clear the Church garden before the new shrubs can be planted. Previous work days have been held on a Saturday 9-11am. Please, are there any volunteers who can help? Can anyone suggest any suitable dates?

Grotto to Our Lady of Lourdes

It has been suggested that the Parish creates a Grotto with statues of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette to be dedicated to all parishioners, past and present, who have given service to the Parish in any way. Many thanks to those who have contributed so generously so far. Further donations are still very welcome.

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.

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).

Registered Childminder

Looking for registered childminder for drop offs and pick ups from St Mary's Playgroup, Monday to Wednesday 3 days a week starting September 2019. Holiday cover will be required. References will be taken up. Please contact Danika on 07985 621613 any time. If you leave a message I will call you back.