

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**  
**Amos 8: 4-7; Ps. 112; 1 Tim. 2: 1-8; Luke 16: 1-13**

**Sat. 20th September 2025**  
**5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS**  
**6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY**  
 6:30pm: Holy Souls  
**Mass of Enrolment for Confirmation**

**Sunday 21st September 2025**  
 8:30am: Jackie Santo RIP (Coward)  
 10:30am: People of the Parish  
**Parish International Celebration Mass**

**Mon. 22nd Sep. 2025 (Feria)**  
**8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration**  
 9:15am: Elizabeth Ezra RIP  
 (Murrell)

**ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA [PADRE PIO], PRIEST**  
**Tuesday 23rd September 2025**  
**8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration**  
 9:15am: Canon J Cronin RIP  
 (J. Moore)

**OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM**  
**Weds. 24th September 2025**  
**8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration**  
 9:15am: Fr. Kevin Delaney RIP n/s  
 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom  
 Sr. Anne McCarthy Intentions  
 (Sr. Marie Hennessy, LSU)

**Thurs. 25th Sep. 2025 (Feria)**  
**8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration**  
 9:15am: Holy Souls

**Friday 26th Sep. 2025 (Feria)**  
 (ST. COSMAS AND DAMIAN, MARTYRS)  
**8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration**  
 9:15am: Edmund Laszcz RIP FM

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST**  
**Sat. 27th September 2025**  
 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**  
**Amos 6: 1. 4-7; Ps. 145; 1 Tim. 6: 11-16; Luke 16: 19-31**

**Sat. 27th September 2025**  
**5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS**  
**6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY**  
 6:30pm: Philomena Lawlor RIP  
 (Foy)

**Sunday 28th September 2025**  
 8:30am: Intentions Iqbal Andrew Khaden  
 10:30am: People of the Parish

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH**

A H Victor Freeman, Catherine Driscoll, Peter Bracken, Edith Donnelly, E. Rayner, Rev. J. Mathers, Derrick Butt, "Kay" Kathleen Tracey, 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, Herbert Koralage Silva, Elizabeth Stickings, Emily Downey, James Irwin, Thomas McDermott.

**THE CALL TO SOCIAL JUSTICE AND PEACE.**

The Christian is called by Christ to be a person who is on the side of the oppressed. The poor must never be exploited by the rich for the sake of material gain. Money and power need to be put into proper perspective in our lives. We cannot serve God and money.



**ST MARY OF THE CRAYS**  
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"No servant  
 can serve  
 two masters:  
 for either  
 he will hate the one  
 and love the other,  
 or he will be  
 devoted to the one  
 and despise the other.  
 YOU CANNOT SERVE  
 GOD AND MONEY."

*Luke 16:13*



**SACRAMENT OF  
 PENANCE -  
 CONFESSION -**  
**SATURDAYS**  
**5PM TO 6PM**  
*also, WHENEVER*  
**THE CHURCH**  
**IS OPEN, and**  
**ON REQUEST**

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For enquiries and bookings contact  
**01372 457 651**

**SUNDAY OFFERINGS 13TH/14TH SEPTEMBER 2025:**

**Gift Aid: £205; Card: £148; Loose Plate: £341.54 ATTENDANCE: 256**  
**Catholic Education: Gift Aid: £129.70; Card: £35; Loose Cash: £88.08**  
Thank you for your continuing generosity in these difficult times, *Fr. David.*

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

**This weekend:** for **EVANGELII GAUDIUM (HOME MISSIONS).**

This collection provides the Bishops of England and Wales with resources to support 'Home Mission', the spread of the Gospel in our own country.

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)**

Experience teaches that the longing for happiness and security is not satisfied by any created thing. Our life is not made secure by material wealth because we have a heavenly destiny.

We are here today and gone tomorrow, but we are here for a purpose. The closer we come to eternity the more material possessions lose their value. When life draws to an end, riches prove worthless and have got to be left behind. We can take nothing with us from this life except the good we have done. "Money is an instrument that can buy everything but happiness, and purchases a ticket to every place but heaven."

**FR. JOHN RYAN MBE RIP**

**Fr. John Ryan's family:** Kathleen Rice, Tomás Ryan, William Ryan and Helen O'Riordan, and brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, grand-nephews and grand-nieces would like to thank the parishioners at St. Mary of the Crays, Crayford who helped Fr. Ryan whilst he was Parish Priest at Crayford from 2004 to 2013 when he had to retire due to ill health, and also to those parishioners who continued to help him during his retirement and illness. Most especially, we would like to thank the parishioners at Crayford who helped to make Fr. Ryan's Reception into the Church and Requiem Mass such a special occasion. Fr. Ryan is now back home with his family.

**May he Rest in Peace and rise again in glory. God bless you and thank you.**

**ST. COLUMBA'S OPEN DAY**  
**SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER**  
**9:30AM—12:30PM**

Head Teacher talks at  
10:30 and 11:30am

**OCTOBER OPEN MORNINGS:**  
Tuesday 7th and 14th;  
Wednesday 8th and 15th;  
Thursday 9th and 16th.

To book please email  
[admissions@st-columbs.bexley.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@st-columbs.bexley.sch.uk)

**POPE LEO XIV'S**  
**PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER**  
*invites us to pray for*  
*Our relationship with All of Creation:*

Let us pray that, inspired by **Saint Francis**, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect

**OUR REPOSITORY SHOP**

Come and visit our Repository. We have Mass Cards, Prayer Books and many other items. The shop can be open throughout the week before and after Private Prayer and Holy Mass.

*Of your Charity, please pray for the repose of the Soul of*

**BERNARD GILLESPIE**, who died in hospital on Friday 18th September, aged 102. Bernard did a lot of work in the parish between the 1970 and 1990.

**FUNERAL:** details to follow.

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HIM, O LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HIM. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. MAY HIS SOUL, AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD REST IN PEACE. AMEN.**

**ST. MARY OF THE CRAY'S COMMUNITY SOCIAL CLUB**

The next **BINGO SESSION** will be on **SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER** with the rollover still rolling over and standing at **£123.**

**The club is open 7.30pm to 11pm on Friday and Saturday nights and 12noon to 4pm on Sunday.**

**We look forward to seeing you and your family there.**

**CELEBRATORY DAY OF PRAISE, WORSHIP AND THANKSGIVING**

**AS WE OFFER OURSELVES TO THE LORD AS**

**'LIVING SACRIFICES - EVENTCATHOLIC.COM**

Join the Archdiocese of Southwark for a special celebratory day, as we continue our Jubilee journey.

**SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, 4th October 2025**

**LOCATION: St George's Cathedral, Southwark (SE1 7HY)**

More details will be coming. **Go to link below to register:**

**<https://eventcatholic.com/event/celebratory-day-of-praise-worship-and-thanksgiving-as-we-offer-ourselves-to-the-lord-as-living-sacrifices/>**

Once registered, for anyone interested in travelling together contact

**Eileen Colman on 07748-690 823 or Tina Saunders on 07947-184 212.**

**100 CLUB WINNERS £50**

**\*JUNE 2025\***

**27: Anne-Marie Pateman**

**97: John Nyodeka**

Please join our 100 Club. Please see Jim Saunders. It is a great way to raise parish funds and for the Building Fund. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

**CHURCH FLOWERS**

We have a collection box by the Sacristy to help us to continue to have the beautiful flowers in our Church throughout the year. Any contributions you could make are gratefully received and much appreciated.

**Please pray for the members of our Parish Family who are sick:**

Anita Claridge, Anna Idahosa, Barry Alfred Colville, Bernard Glazier, Bernie Francis, Bridget Whitaker, Carmella "Nina" Stafford, Catherine Edmeades, Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer, Christina Redmond, Clare Cooney, Clare Gummatt, Erin, Fr. Morty O'Shea, Felicity Dyer, Jackie Dawson, Joan Veronica McCormack, Linda Rawlinson, Liz Algar, Luc Fitzpatrick, Margaret Harrington, Marie Rogerston, Pat Goodwin, Pat McGrory, Patrick Taylor, Pauline White, Richard Hilsden, Rita Pearce and Sean Tansey.

**PLEASE, DO YOU KNOW OF ANY ONE ELSE WHO, WITH THEIR PERMISSION, OUGHT TO BE ON THIS LIST?**