

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) Exod. 17: 8-13; Ps. 120; 2 Tim. 3: 14-4: 2; Luke 18: 1-8	
Saturday 18th October 2025 5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS 6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY 6:30pm: Malone Family and Fr. Malone RIP FM	Sunday 19th October 2025 8:30am: People of the Parish 10:30am: Thanksgiving (Luis) CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES MASS OF ACCEPTANCE
Mon. 20th October 2025 (Feria) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Monica Murrell RIP (Flynn)	Tues. 21st October 2025 (Feria) (ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW, MARTYR) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Nell and Jim Saunders RIP (Jim Saunders)
Weds. 22nd Oct. 2025 (Feria) (ST. JOHN PAUL II, POPE) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 8:30am: SJS Rosary before School 9:15am: Fr. Donald Clements RIP n/s 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom Sr. Esther RIP and deceased family	Thurs. 23rd Oct. 2025 (Feria) (ST. JOHN OF CAPISTRANO, PRIEST) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Holy Souls
Fri. 24th October 2025 (Feria) ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET, BISHOP) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Donald Ukwunnah RIP (B. Ukwunnah) 7:00pm MASS OF CONFIRMATION (THE PARISH PENTECOST!)	Sat. 25th October 2025 (Feria) 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C) Ecclus. 35: 12-14, 16-19; Ps. 33; 2 Tim. 4: 6-8, 16-18; Luke 18: 9-14	
Saturday 25th October 2025 5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS 6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY 6:30pm: Minton and Flewin Family RIP	Sunday 26th October 2025 8:30am: People of the Parish 10:30am: Fr. John Ryan RIP (Trombetti)
ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH	
Ada Harvey, Fred Saunders, Sheila Lintott, Mary Redmond, Denis Murphy, Siobhann Weeks, William Hanrahan, Camelia Walduck, Bridget Harrington, Seamus Lyons, Eileen Whitaker, Jenny Palmer, Harry Allen, Tom Radley.	
PRAY CONTINUALLY AND NEVER LOSE HEART.	
When we pray we are inclined to give up if God does not seem to answer us immediately. We should persevere knowing that Christ is always interceding for us to His Father for our protection and welfare. As long as we pray in faith then we can never be beaten by our enemies.	



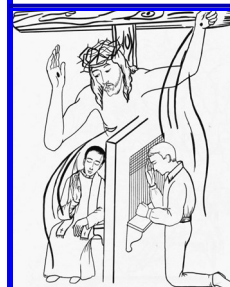
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'... there was a widow in that city
 who kept coming to him
 (a judge) and saying, "Give me
 justice against my adversary."



' And the Lord said,
 "Hear what the unrighteous
 judge says. And will not
 God give justice to His elect,
 who cry to Him
 day and night?"

(Luke 18: 3, 6 -7)



SACRAMENT OF
PENANCE -
CONFESSION -

SATURDAYS
5PM TO 6PM
 also, WHENEVER
THE CHURCH
IS OPEN, and
ON REQUEST

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SUNDAY OFFERINGS 11TH/12TH OCTOBER 2025:

Gift Aid: £268.50; Card: £131; Loose Plate: £242.28 ATTENDANCE: 245
Building Fund: Gift Aid: £236.46; Card: £65; Loose Plate: £166.33
Thank you for your continuing generosity in these difficult times, *Fr. David.*

SECOND COLLECTION:

This weekend: **MISSIO** is the Church's official support of the Foreign Missions. The collection goes in its entirety to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the church is new, young or poor.

Please use the Missio envelopes provided. Gift-Aiders please complete the Gift Aid section on the envelope.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Jesus urges us to pray continually and never to grow discouraged. He encourages us with the assurance that our prayer will be answered and that we will not be disappointed. Prayer is talking to God, and when we pray we are to speak our hearts in a real human way, making use of the style which suits us best. Prayer is the oil that keeps the lamp of faith burning brightly, drawing us closer to God and enabling us to produce good works.

The widow, with her dogged determination to gain justice from the careless judge, is put before us as an example of perseverance in prayer. Persistence is her strong point and she exercises it relentlessly without losing heart. Despite the odds, she keeps up her petition until the judge eventually grants her justice.

MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY OF THE BEXLEY DEANERY

Friday 7th November at 12 noon
St. Lawrence of Canterbury,
1 Hamilton Road, Sidcup DA15 7HB

DIOCESAN MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY

**Tuesday 18th November at
12.30pm** at St. George's Cathedral,
Westminster Bridge Road, SE1 7HY

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Sunday 2nd November
St. Paulinus, Crayford 12:30pm

Saturday 8th November
Hillview, Welling 11.30am

Sunday 9th November
Kemnal Park, Sidcup 2pm

Bexleyheath 2.30pm
Brook Street, Erith 3pm

Sunday 16th November
Sidcup 2pm

DATES TO REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER

SATURDAY 1ST NOVEMBER/SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

ALL SAINTS DAY celebrated in honour of all the Saints, those known and unknown. This is a **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.**

MONDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

ALL SOULS DAY: the commemoration of all the Faithful Departed.
There will be two Masses at 9.15am and 7.30pm.

SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER: Remembrance Sunday.

TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER: Remembrance Day.

SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER: REMEMBRANCE SERVICE at 3pm for Holy Souls in commemoration of all the Faithful Departed and for all those in the parish who have died, especially those who have died during the last year.

ST. MARY OF THE CRAY'S COMMUNITY SOCIAL CLUB

For you and your family's enjoyment please add to your diaries and join us at the following Parish social events we will be holding during October:

SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER at 7.30PM we are running a **DVD HORSE RACE NIGHT** and you can buy a horse, sponsor a race and place a Tote bet on the evening. This is an enjoyable family evening. Please look out for committee members after Mass with the race card.

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.

NOVEMBER LIST

If you would like members of your family or friends to be remembered in a special way please write their names on a list and enclose it in a Holy Souls envelope and this will be placed in the basket near the Altar during the month of November. Offerings in the Holy Souls envelopes will be used for general Holy Souls Masses during the month of November and throughout the year.

FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL MASS REQUESTS FOR DECEASED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, PLEASE USE THE MASS OFFERING ENVELOPES IN THE USUAL WAY.

A PARISH CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING EVENT IN DECEMBER?

Are there any parishioners who would be willing to organise and run a Parish Christmas Fundraising Event this December to include the Christmas Raffle Draw? The raffle tickets will be available soon.

Can anyone interested please speak to Fr. David or email the parish office on crayford@rcaos.org.uk with your fundraising event suggestions.

ST. CATHERINE'S CATHOLIC GIRLS SCHOOL

Various Teacher
Vacancies:

For full job descriptions and person specifications please visit
www.stcgg.co.uk/vacancies.

100 CLUB WINNERS OCTOBER 2025

38: DOMINIC COWARD ; 91: PHILIP GAFFNEY

Come and join our 100 Club. Please see Jim Saunders. It is a great way to raise Parish funds and for the Building Fund.

FOR THOSE MEMBERS WHO PAY BY CASH OR CHEQUE, YOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP OF £60 IS DUE FOR RENEWAL AND PAYABLE NOW. Cheques should be made payable to "100 Club". Your continued support is always appreciated. Thank you.

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 Gummett, 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?