THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)	
Mal. 3: 19-20; Ps. 97; 2 Thess. 3: 7-12; Luke 21: 5-19	
Saturday 15th November 2025 5:00 - 6:00pm: Confessions 6:00 - 6:20pm Holy Rosary 6:30pm: TJ & Bridie McDonagh RIP (V. Hull)	World Day of the Poor Sunday 16th November 2025 8:30am: People of the Parish 10:30am: Christina Redmond (Trombetti) 3pm: Parish Remembrance Service
Mon. 17th Nov. 2025 (Feria) (St. Hilda, Religious) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Brunilda Gjoni (Shpresa)	The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles Tuesday 18th November 2025 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Mary Mullan RIP (J. Saunders)
Weds. 19th Nov. 2025 (Feria) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Fr. John Lawrence RIP n/s 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom Wellbeing Sr. Anne McCarthy	Thurs. 20th Nov. 2025 (Feria) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Holy Souls
THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Friday 21st November 2025 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Pauline Cornell RIP (Murrell)	St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr Sat. 22nd November 2025 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (C) 2 Sam. 5: 1-3; Ps. 121; Col. 1: 11-20; Luke 23: 35-43	
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10:30am: Catherine McKie RIP FM

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ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Christopher Kearns, Ernie Mitchem, William Cronin, Kevin Walsh, Madeleine Cremin, Olive Holmes, Myles Smith, Mary Kearns, Michael Twomey, Nicholas McConville, Hermine Galibardv. Fr. Desmond Connaughton, Cis Kilner, Charles Francis, Geraldine Powders, Maria Tierlinck, B. Routleff, Sr. Anne Hanks.

BY PATIENT ENDURANCE YOU WILL WIN.

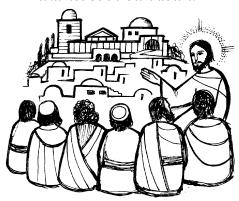
We will suffer because of our belief in Christ but God will vindicate us. By patiently enduring suffering we will win life without end and God will prove to us that Christ is everything. This hope of victory keeps us going in times of great trial.



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'While some were speaking of the Temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, Jesus said. "As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one upon another that will not be thrown down."



"You will be hated by all for My Name sake. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives."



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SUNDAY OFFERINGS 8TH/9TH NOVEMBER 2025:

Gift Aid: £577.50; Card: £110; Loose Plate: £201.34 ATTENDANCE: 159+Archbishop's Appeal: Gift Aid: £93; Card: £48; Loose Plate: £78.22 Thank you for your continuing generosity in these difficult times, *Fr. David*.

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

This weekend: for CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICES.

The collection taken on National Youth Sunday supports youth work in the Diocese and beyond, especially the Southwark Catholic Youth Service.

29th/30th November: for Flowers for the Church for Christmas.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

Jesus paints a picture foretelling the end of the world in terms of the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, and warns His followers in the meantime to be prepared for tension, conflict, a difficult struggle ahead, and persecution.

One message that becomes clear is that our state of readiness to meet the Lord depends on the type of life we lead. Where we will stand on Christ's arrival is decided by what we are trying to be at this moment. Our future happiness is shaped out of our present efforts to turn to God. It's comforting to know that, whatever the future holds by way of disappointment or failure, the Lord is in control and will not abandon His people. We must not lose hope because the trials, troubles and tribulations of the present time will one day make way for a happy ending.

<u>Dates to Remember in November</u> 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.

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 16th November Sidcup at 2pm

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR SUNDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

Pope Leo XIV issues a message centred on the theme: "You are my hope" and expresses his hope that this Jubilee Year may encourage the development of policies aimed at combatting forms of poverty both old and new. "Hope in God never disappoints," the Pope affirms, recalling Saint Paul's assurance that "we have our hope set on the living God". (Vatican News)

VACANCY AT ST. CATHERINE'S CATHOLIC GIRLS SCHOOL

for Head of Art. Please visit https://www.stccg.co.uk/Teaching-Vacancies/

HOLY MASS ON TUES. 18TH, WED. 19TH AND THUR. 20TH NOVEMBER WILL BE HELD IN THE LITURGY ROOM AS THE NEW SANCTUARY CARPET IS BEING FITTED IN CHURCH.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: 21ST NOVEMBER

The Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Temple recalls – according to the apocryphal gospels, the day on which Mary, while still a child, was brought to the temple in Jerusalem to be offered to God. The Church wants to emphasize not so much the historical event in itself, of which there is no trace in the Gospels, but the total gift that Mary made of herself, by listening: "Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and observe it" (Lk. 11:28). This experience prepared the young girl from Nazareth to become the "temple of the Son of God". (Vatican News)

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

SR. MARIE HALLIGAN (LSU) who died on Monday 10th November 2025.

RECEPTION AND MASS: Monday 1st December 2025 at 5:30pm at Shalom.

REQUIEM MASS: Tuesday 2nd December at 11:15am

followed by Burial at Brook Street Cemetery.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HER, O LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HER. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE. MAY HER 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 event in the club is Andy's Quiz Night on Saturday 29th November at 7,30pm.

6 people per team; £2 per person. Come along and join a team on the night. 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.

MARY'S MEALS APPEAL FOR UNWANTED CURRENCY

Thank you to all those who responded to the **MARY'S MEALS APPEAL** and who donated their spare foreign currency to help to provide a school meal to hungry children in some of the world's poorest countries. The appeal box will remain in the reception area for a few weeks.



CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL 2025:

This year we are, once more, hoping to provide Christmas Hampers to those most in need in the Bexley community.

We are proposing to deliver 50 hampers, split between **Mencap** and **Bexley Woman's Refuge.** The estimated cost of each hamper will be £20-£25. If you would like to contribute to this, you can either send a donation by bank transfer, direct to our Bank, (details below) or in cash/cheque handed to me or Fr. David. **Thank you**, Alex Rees. **Bank Details: Barclays Bank Plc, Sort Code: 20-06-72,

Account No: 30294063 Account Name: The Churches Together in Crayford,
Reference: Hamper Appeal

St. Mary of the Crays Christmas Mini Fete Sunday 30th November 2025: 12pm-4pm

This event will be held in the reception area and social club with a variety of stalls with food, cake and drinks from the club and the **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DRAW**. **PLEASE:** we need cakes for the cake stall, little gifts for the prize tombola and bottles of alcohol for the bottle tombola. **PLEASE CAN YOU HELP?**

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?