

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Is. 45: 1, 4-6; Ps. 95; Thess. 1: 1-5;
Matthew 22: 15-21

Saturday 17th October 2026

5:00 - 6:00pm: Confessions

6:00 - 6:20pm Holy Rosary

6:30pm: James Griffith RIP (Janet Brommett)

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Sunday 18th October 2026 (St Luke)

8:30am: Susan and Kevin Gilmer RIP
(Coward)

10:30am: People of the Parish

****3:00pm: HEALING SERVICE****

Monday 19th October 2026 (Feria)

8:00am: Adoration and Holy Rosary

9:15am: Malone Family and
Fr. Malone RIP FM

Tuesday 20th October 2026 (Feria)

8:00am: Adoration and Holy Rosary

9:15am: Fred Banger RIP (Jim Saunders)

Wednesday 21st October 2026 (Feria)

(St. Margaret Clitherow, Martyr)

8:00am: Adoration and Holy Rosary

8:30am: SJS Rosary in the Prayer Room

9:15am: Canon Peter Turbitt RIP n/s

11am: Holy Mass at Shalom

Sr. Rita from your loving LSU community

Thursday 22nd October 2026 (Feria)

(St. John Paul II, Pope)

8:00am: Adoration and Holy Rosary

9:15am: Family Prayer (Selvia)

Friday 23rd October 2026 (Feria)

(St. John of Capistrano, Priest)

8:00am: Adoration and Holy Rosary

9:15am: Holy Souls

Saturday 24th October 2026 (Feria)

11am: Holy Mass at Shalom

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Exod. 22: 20-26; Ps. 17; 1 Thess. 1: 5-10;
Matthew 22: 34-40

5:00 - 6:00pm: Confessions

6:00 - 6:20pm Holy Rosary

6:30pm: Patrick Duddy RIP (H. O'Rourke)

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Sunday 25th October 2026

8:30am: People of the Parish

10:30am: Prof. Fola Esan RIP (M. Enarhome)

Anniversaries of Death

Eddie Castelli, 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, and Peter Phillips.

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

Anita Claridge, Anna Idahosa,
Barry Alfred Colville,
Bernie Francis, Bridget Whitaker,
Carmella "Nina" Stafford,
Catherine Edmeades,
Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer,
Christina Redmond, Clare Cooney,
Erin, Felicity Dyer,
Fr. Etienne De Souza,
Jackie Dawson,
Joan Veronica McCormack,
Linda Rawlinson, Liz Algar,
Luc Fitzpatrick,
Margaret Harrington,
Marie Rogerston, Pat McGrory,
Patrick Taylor, Pauline White,
Richard Hilsden, Sean Tansey,
and Tricia Farrelly.

*Please, do you know of anyone else who, with
their permission, ought to be on this list?*

Important Dates for your Diary:

TODAY:

Sunday 18th October at 3pm

HEALING SERVICE

Saturday 21st November

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Raffle tickets are available
after all weekend Masses.

The draw will take place in the Social
Club on **Sunday 22nd November.**

Give the LORD glory and power.

God alone is king and to Him we must
give the homage of our love and
obedience. All temporal power is
subordinate to God's rule over the
universe. We must get our priorities
right – God first; all others only in
relation to Him.



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The Gospel reminds us that we are
members of God's kingdom and
citizens of the country in which we
live, with obligations to both. As
Christians we are not only members
of the Church but also members of
society. Tensions can exist between
our loyalty to God and duty to our
country especially when political
questions touch upon faith and
morality. Religion and politics do mix
and overlap, so crucial issues of
conscience occasionally emerge. In
these instances we must put God and
His laws first even if it brings us into
conflict with the state. We are obliged
to bring the Gospel of Jesus into every
aspect of our life.

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Sacrament of Penance - Confession

Saturday 5pm to 6pm also,
whenever the Church is open,
and on request.

St Mary of the Crays

Catholic Church

114 Old Road, Crayford,
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"Welcome + Worship + Witness"

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Parish Hall

For enquiries and bookings
contact Praetorium on:

01372 457 651

Sunday Offerings

10th/11th October 2026

Gift Aid: £240.26; Card: £68;

Loose Plate: £135.12

Attendance: 231

Building Fund:

Gift Aid: £213.90; Card: £28;

Loose Plate: £484.24

As always, thank you for your generosity, Fr. David

Second Collection:

This weekend is for **Missio**.

This is the Church's official support of foreign missions. The collection goes in its entirety to support, churches, hospital, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

October:

The Month of the Holy Rosary

In praying the Rosary, we meditate on the Mysteries of Christ's life, suffering, death and resurrection. Join our Parish Rosary Group in praying the Rosary before weekday and Sunday Masses.



SJS Rosary before School

St. Joseph's School will be praying the Rosary in the Prayer Room at 8.30am Wednesday 21st October. Parents and children are invited to attend.

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

Sr. Anne McCarthy (LSU) of Shalom who died on the 20th September 2026. Funeral details to be advised.

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.

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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.

100 Club

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 greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Donation to the Building Fund

A Big Thank You to the **Sunday 10.30am Tea Club** for their donation of **£302.00** to the Building Fund, which is greatly appreciated. Thank you very much.

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Feast of St. Jude

24, 25 and 28 October 2026

Whitefriars, Tanners Street,
Faversham, Kent

Please call **01795-539 214**, visit **www.stjudeshrine.org.uk** or email **shrineoffice@stjudeshrine.org.uk** for more information.

St. Mary of the Crays Community Social Club

Come and join our Social Club!

It is open to relax with friends on Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday lunchtimes. Making use of the Community Club facilities is to be encouraged for family events, Baptisms, Birthdays, maybe a Funeral and to socialise with friends and parishioners. The Club is a great asset and benefit to the Parish and should be enjoyed by all.

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Family Fun Darts Night on

Saturday 31st October (please note the date change). This is open to all ages and abilities, even no abilities at all. Free entry, so come and enjoy a social evening with family, friends and other members of the parish.

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The next Bingo session will be **Sunday 1st November from 12.25pm**. Just £7 gets you into all 6 games, with the snowball now at **£191**.

The club is open 8.30pm to 11pm on Friday, 7.30-9.30pm on Saturday and 1pm to 3pm on Sunday.

We look forward to seeing you and your family there.

St. Mary's Pre-School Playgroup Church Centre **Old Road, Crayford Kent DA1 4DZ**

We still have available spaces for children aged 2 to 5.

We provide 2-year funding/
3 year (15 and 30 hour funding)

8:30am-11:30am and 8:30am-2:30pm
We also offer an additional half hour until 3pm at an additional fee.

01322 555894/07307 894941

Email:

stmarysplaygroup.crayford@gmail.com

Facebook:

St Mary's Playgroup Crayford

Dates to remember in November

All Saints Day:

Sunday 1st November celebrated in honour of all the Saints, those known and unknown. This is a Holy Day of Obligation, as is every Sunday, and there will be Holy Mass on Saturday at 6.30pm and on Sunday at 8.30am and 10.30am.

All Souls Day:

Monday 2nd November, the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed. Holy Mass will be at **9.15am and 7.30pm**.

Remembrance Sunday:

8th November

Remembrance Day:

Wednesday 11th November.

Remembrance Service at 11am at Crayford Waterside.

Parish Remembrance Service here in St Mary's, Crayford:

Sunday 15th November at 3pm.

Mass for Deceased Clergy of the Bexley Deanery

Friday 6th November at 12 noon in St Thomas More, Bostall Park tbc.

Diocesan Mass for Deceased Clergy of Archdiocese of Southwark: date: tba
12.30pm at St. George's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Road, SE1 7HY.

Blessing of the Graves:

Saturday 7th November:

Plumstead, Bostall Pk at 12 noon

Remembrance Sunday 8th November:

St. Paulinus, Crayford at 12.30pm,
Kemnal Park, Sidcup at 2:00pm,
Bexleyheath, (ASDA)) at 2:00pm,
Brook Street, Erith at 3:00pm

Sunday 15th November:

Sidcup at 2:00pm

Saturday 21st November:

Hillview, Welling, at 11:00am