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Second collection for the
Catholic Education Service

EDUCATION SUNDAY

Each year we celebrate Education Sunday early in the first term of the school year.

The second collection this weekend is for the Catholic Education Service (CES), which acts on behalf of the Catholic Bishops' Conference to support Catholic education.

Catholic schools make up 10% (and along with Church of England Schools, over one third) of the national total of maintained schools; over 2,000 Catholic schools, academies and colleges in England and Wales educate over 800,000 students.

The CES is the chief negotiating and advisory body on matters affecting Catholic education and also provides financial assistance for rural school transport.

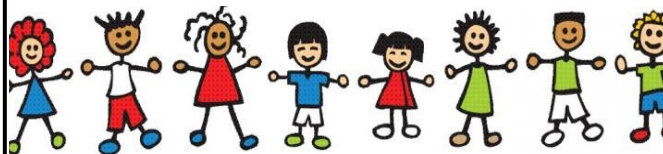
We are blessed in our parish to have two Catholic schools - many parts of the country have none.

Please give with your usual generosity.

BABIES AND TODDLERS' GROUP

*******MONDAY 9 SEPTEMBER*******

The group restarts on Monday and they would love to see you there. They would like a few more adult helpers so if you have time on your hands on a Monday morning during term time, please drop in to see them.



BAPTISMS AT ST EDMUND'S

If you are hoping to have a child baptised at St Edmund's, the process of preparation and booking your date has now changed.

The parish website tells you all you need to know, and in future all communication will be made, not through the Parish Office, but by emailing the **dedicated account**

beckenhambaptism@rcaos.org.uk

MASS OF ANOINTING

Saturday 21 September at 2.30 pm

For anyone troubled in mind, body or spirit.
There will be refreshments in the Hall after the Mass.

If anyone needs transport please contact the Parish Office on 8650 0970.

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN MORNINGS

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Open mornings for parents of children due to start Reception in **September 2025** will be at 10.30 am on Thursday 7 November and Thursday 28 November.

If you would like to attend either of these, please contact:

Mrs Tracey - School Admissions Officer
at admin@stmaryscp.co.uk

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Our next series of six support group meetings will start on Thursday 19 September from 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm. The last meeting will be on 24 October.

Each meeting will be held in the Committee Room of Saint Edmund's Hall (step free access).

If you are interested in joining the group, please contact them at: beckenhamsbg@rcaos.org.uk where you can hear more, or if you don't have email call the Parish Office on 020 8650 0970.

During all Masses next weekend, all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be asked to come forward to renew their commitment.

All Extraordinary Ministers are encouraged to attend one of the periods of Adoration as indicated in the Mass Diary



THE LETTER

Tuesday 17 September at 7.30 pm

The Letter is an 80-minute documentary inspired by Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical **Laudato Si'**, which explores ancient Catholic teaching on creation in the light of today's ecological crisis.

Everyone is invited to attend this screening in the Church Hall. There will be opportunity for discussion and questions afterwards and there will be refreshments.

There are flyers in the porch.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR READERS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

There is a poster in the porch giving full details of the days of recollection that have been planned by the diocese for October. It is hoped that all Readers and Extraordinary Ministers will try to attend.

Please choose whichever location suits you better and then please send an email to the Parish Office with **Called to Holiness** in the subject line, giving your full name, and stating whether you wish to attend at Welling or Streatham. The Office will then reserve your place.

Even though the days are next month (see Diary on back page of newsletter) it would assist the organisers greatly if they knew the number of attendees soon.

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

invites you to join them in the Hall on
Wednesday 11 September

7.45 pm Praise and Worship

8.00 pm Mass - the celebrant is Fr
Wojtek Mikolajek who is our guest at St
Edmund's.

9.00 pm Adoration with Prayer and
Praise

9.30 pm Refreshments

10.00 pm Evening concludes

Whilst the Wednesday evening Mass takes

Bank details to set up a regular standing order:

Account name: RCAS Beckenham

Sort Code: 60 02 12

Acc No: 14282887

Link to set up a regular donation through ChurchSuite:

<https://stedmunds.churchsuite.com/donate/>



A JOURNEY IN FAITH 2024/25

The next RCIA course (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) begins on Thursday 12 September at 7.30 pm in the Hall.

If you are thinking about becoming a Catholic or would like to learn more about the Catholic faith then come along and join us on that evening.

If you would like more information about the course please contact us at:

faithhub.28@gmail.com or phone Mary Deering on 020 8650 9650.



Please bring your red boxes to the Parish Office for emptying.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Saturday 21 September at 10.30 am

This is an introduction to safe-guarding within the Catholic Church, and the role of volunteers within this community in creating safe environments for young people and the vulnerable.

This short presentation will be given by Yvonne Epale who works in the Diocesan Education Service and acts as the Safe-guarding representative for St Edmund's.

It is hoped that all parishioners who have a DBS certificate will try to attend, but the training is open to anyone who has an interest in safeguarding.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Sunday 15 September

The Bishops of England and Wales have invited all parishes to have a period of Adoration uniting the faithful in focusing on the Eucharist with renewed and deepened devotion in anticipation of the 2025 Jubilee Year.

On Saturday evening there will be Adoration for a quarter of an hour after Mass, followed by Benediction.

On Sunday following the 11.00 am Mass there will be Adoration through the afternoon until Benediction before the 5.30 pm Mass.

It is hoped that Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion might like to pray together in the church between 3.30 and 4.30 pm.

Thank you to the parishioners who have agreed to remain with the Blessed Sacrament during the afternoon. We would not be able to have Adoration without your presence.

BAND BEGGARS
Saturday 12 October
7.00 pm - 10.00 pm

Fundraising for the sound system in church

Enjoy a HOG ROAST
and a licensed bar
and an evening of traditional
and contemporary Irish Music

Band Beggars
Tickets £20

Tickets are bookable on ChurchSuite at
<https://stedmunds.churchsuite.com/events/nkg8hbrb>

If you are unable to use ChurchSuite please
come to the Parish Office to buy your ticket

If anyone would like to assist the team
that is setting up the evening
please contact the Parish Office

ST EDMUND'S WALKING GROUP

Sunday 15 September

We shall again join our friends from St Thomas of Canterbury and elsewhere, on the walk from Sevenoaks to Kemsing in honour of St Edith. We plan to catch the 9.38 am train at Beckenham Junction. Folk attending the 8.00 am Mass can meet outside Church. Please buy day return tickets beforehand, both to save time and also because the machine does not issue tickets just covering the gap between Zone 6 and Sevenoaks, which will be needed by holders of Freedom, Oyster and other passes.

The walk is mostly flat, but too long for some. Drivers could shorten it by meeting us at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Otford, where there is parking, at approx 1.00 pm. We shall leave Otford after a lunch break at 1.30, reaching Kemsing for the Well-side service at 3.00 pm.

Michael Elmer



Being formed in the likeness of Christ we strive to become a truly
Christ centred community, through humble witness, love,
compassion and communion

MASSES

Sunday 8 Sept	Twenty-third Sunday
6.00 pm VIGIL	Ints of Sean Murphy
8.00 am	Stephen & Nancy Dennis RIP
9.30 am	Caetano & Violanta Fernandes
9.30 am	For the people
FAMILY MASS IN THE HALL	
11.00 am	Dr Michael Ekong RIP
5.30 pm	Ania & Cornel (24th wedding anniversary)
Monday 9 Sept	St Peter Claver, Priest
10.00 am	Therese Beston RIP
Tues 10 Sept	Feria
10.00 am	The Claver Sisters
Wed 11 Sept	Feria (St Ambrose Barlow, Priest & Martyr)
10.00 am	In honour of St Clare
Thurs 12 Sept	Feria (The Most Holy Name of Mary)
10.00 am	Ints of the Denne Family
Friday 13 Sept	St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
10.00 am	Carmelo Montis RIP
Sat 14 Sept	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
10.00 am	Monica Grima RIP
6.00 pm VIGIL	Crescenzo & Delisa Panetta RIP
Adoration after Mass for a quarter of an hour followed by Benediction	
Sunday 15 Sept	Twenty-fourth Sunday
8.00 am	Tom Spillane RIP
9.30 am	Peter & Francie Fernandes
9.30 am	John Murnane & his pilgrim friends
FAMILY MASS IN THE HALL	
11.00 am	All persecuted born & unborn Children
Adoration after Mass for a quarter of an hour followed by Benediction	
Adoration throughout the afternoon	
5.30 pm	For the people
Confessions are every Saturday from 10.30 - 11.00 am and 5.00 - 5.55 pm.	
There is Rosary every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9.30 am and Adoration after morning Mass from Monday to Saturday unless otherwise announced.	

Some parishioners attend St Mark's, West Wickham on a Tuesday evening for Mass.

Fr Ashley has asked us to let you know that, in his absence there will not be an evening Mass on the 10th and 17th September.



We pray for those who have died: Michael Stannard, Graziano Ferrari.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Malcolm Burnham, Charles Binang, Therese Beston, Rose Greenan, Isobel Brown, Cristiana Famiani, Mary Christine Smith, Doreen Jansen, Blanche Mascarenhas, Jack Hayward, Thomas Hixson, Edmond Power, Tom Harvey, Edward Collins, May Davis, Rosie Reed, Kieran Corrigan, Rob Young, Paula Flor Frampton, Alan George Burfield, John MacNamara.

We pray for those suffering from ill health, for their families and for those who care for them: Hedwig Harper, Keith Kench, Fr Ray Brennan, Terry Woollard, Wendy Adams, Elizabeth, Rosanna Sookram, Anne Flynn, Ursula Dyer, Hans Halpin, Paul, Norma Powell, Joan Morris, Kathleen Hayes, Marie Rennie, Bob Swan, Fitzroy Maxima Saunders, Paul Hixson.

Meditation in the Hall every Monday from 5.30 - 6.20 pm except bank holidays.

Contemplative Saturday - **7 September** from 11 to 12 in the hall.

Please respect the need to arrive promptly and observe the silence

DIARY

Sept	
Tues 17	Screening of <i>The Letter</i> in the Hall at 7.30
Wed 18	Requiem for Graziano Ferrari at 1.30
Fri 20	Requiem for Michael Stannard at noon
Sat 21	Safeguarding Training at 10.30 in the Hall
Sat 21	Mass of Anointing at 2.30, followed by refreshments in the Hall
Oct	
Sat 12	Band Beggars in the Hall.
Sat 19	Day of Recollection for Readers and Extraordinary Ministers in Welling
Sat 26	Day of Recollection for Readers and Extraordinary Ministers in Streatham
Nov	
Sat 9	Fundraising Cheese & Wine with the Claver Sisters