

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST EDMUND OF CANTERBURY

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Sunday 13 Oct 2024

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**Second collection is for
PACT**

BABY LOSS AWARENESS WEEK

9-15 October

This week provides an opportunity for the baby loss community and others to come together to honour and remember the babies we have loved and lost. It is also a time to raise awareness of the profound impact of pregnancy and baby loss, the importance of bereavement support, and the ongoing work needed to improve pregnancy outcomes and save babies' lives.

Here at St Edmund's Church, we have a special Remembrance Tree on the sanctuary where you are invited to add a ribbon with your baby's name.

Locally, Beckenham Crematorium will hold a remembrance service called '*Remember Our Babies Ribbon Service*' on Sunday 13 October at 3.30 pm in the Chapel.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATION

Fr Steve will sign application forms at the following times.

Secondary School applications

Thursday 17 October 3 - 5pm and 6 - 8pm

Sunday 20 October 10.30pm - 12.30 pm

So far we have 8 families who have booked an appointment. This must leave many families applying to Catholic secondary schools who have not yet made contact. Please get in touch straight away as these are the only times Fr Steve will be signing the forms.

Please contact the office to book your slot.

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 FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION

Last Monday evening, on the anniversary of the outbreak of hostilities in the Middle East, we held in the church a short period of Adoration followed by the Rosary.

Fr Andrew then led us in a quiet, reflective and peaceful Mass.

Thank you to all who gathered on a cold and wet evening to pray for peace.

PRISONERS SUNDAY - 13 OCTOBER

We will remember prisoners and their families at Mass this weekend. Prisons are in crisis and life for prisoners and their families in our communities is challenging. PACT, the national Catholic prison charity supports prisoners, their families and their children, offering them hope and the chance to turn their lives around. There will be a second collection to support this important work.

CLAVER SISTERS FUNDRAISER

**Cheese & Wine Evening
Saturday 9 November
7.00 - 9.00 pm**

Tickets are £10 per person to include a selection of delicious cheeses and your first glass of wine, and can be purchased from the Parish Office.

Cash only please.

All proceeds will go towards providing water for a children's care home and for the local families in Tonga Village in Kenya.

BECKENHAM CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024



Our Christmas shoebox appeal starts again this weekend. Please take one of the leaflets at the back of church and fill a box for us. Blythswood have let us know that this year all the boxes we collect will be distributed to people in Kosovo.

There is more information about this year's appeal and videos of last year's boxes being distributed on Blythswood's website <https://blythswood.org/shoeboxappeal/>

Please consider sharing information about the shoebox collection with family, friends and social media groups so that we can collect as many boxes as possible to bring Christmas joy to those in great need this year.

It's easy to choose gifts for people who have so little. Shampoo, a pair of socks, a notepad, a small toy, a bag of sweets – things we take for granted will seem like luxuries to people living in poverty.

By filling a shoebox with simple things you can bring hope this Christmas.

Please bring your filled boxes to the Parish Office – boxes can be dropped at the office until the end of October.

If you have any questions then do get in touch with us
Lucienne Vella 07884 184534 or Susie Watchorn 07956 574789.

**Thank you so much for your generosity every year with the shoebox appeal.
We love organising the appeal and so many of you tell us how much you enjoy
Selecting items to fill the boxes.**

EMPOWERING VULNERABLE CHILDREN UGANDA APPEAL - 19/20 OCTOBER

This Charity provides a future through education for some of the poorest children in the world. Judi Fawcett, Founder and Trustee, will give a brief talk at all of the Masses next week. There will be a second collection for their work.

For further information please go to their website at <http://www.evcuganda.org>

The collection for Missio
will be taken on 27 October

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

invites you to join them in the Hall on
Wednesday 16 October

7.45 pm Praise and Worship

8.00 pm Mass - the celebrant is

Fr Andrew Bishop

Followed by informal Prayer Meeting

10.00 pm Evening concludes

Whilst the Wednesday evening Mass takes place
at the start of the Charismatic meeting,
it is not a Charismatic Mass.

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

JOHN CROUCH RIP

John died peacefully last week and his Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 15 October at 2pm at St Mary's Church, Cadogan Street, London, SW3 2QR. Parishioners are welcome to attend. The Mass is also being live streamed. Go to <https://www.churchservices.tv/chelsea1>

DAY OF HEALING

2 November 10.30 am – 5.00 pm

St George's Cathedral,
Lambeth Road, SE1 6HR

*Praise and Worship, Talks,
Healing Ministries, Books, Closing Mass*

Main Speaker – Fr. Columba Jordan CFR

You can register at:

bit.ly/SouthwarkHealing24 or just turn up.

Get equipped - likely vote on assisted suicide in Parliament before Christmas

Watch actor and disability rights advocate Liz Carr's BBC documentary on assisted suicide, *Better Off Dead?* where she examines the impact of one of the world's most extreme assisted suicide laws in Canada.

Watch for free online (you do not need a TV licence): righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead



HARVEST FAST DAY

Thank you very much to all who supported this appeal. If you missed

the appeal and would like to make a donation to Cafod's work, please either pop your donation in a Cafod envelope (there are plenty at the back of the church) and put it in the collection basket at Mass this weekend or donate online at <http://www.cafod.org.uk/envelope>. Using this link allows you to link your donation to the total collected at St Edmund's; it also allows you to gift-aid your donation, should you wish to do so as a UK taxpayer.

Please continue to pray for Cafod's work.

The 2025 Church Diary is now available for Mass Intentions. Please email or post through the Office door the Masses you would like, with full contact details in case we need to contact you.

CLARE MCNAMARA RIP

Mrs McNamara who was known to many parishioners at St Edmund's died on 17 September. Her requiem is being held at St Anthony's Church in Anerley on 16 October at 11.00 am. Any St Edmund's parishioner who remembers Clare would be most welcome to attend.

THE CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The CCRS is a knowledge-based, internationally recognised qualification that provides participants with an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic faith.

It enhances the understanding that education within the Church is a life-long process which leads to greater intimacy with Jesus Christ. This course presents the basic foundational teachings of the Catholic Church in a manner that is captivating, inspiring, and applicable. The CCRS is designed and intended to support the Archbishop's vision of missionary parishes and schools by cultivating an evangelistic spirit. Participants will be equipped to make informed and practical contributions to their chosen field of ministry within the Church. Please visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs for further information. Closing date for applicants this year is 4 November 2024.

If you are interested why not make an appointment to discuss this with Fr Steve?

A MESSAGE FROM LIVING WELL

Dear all

Thank you so much for all the incredible donations of food and other items we received last week. We are blown away by your generosity and continued support of Living Well. These donations will help so many people in our local community over the next few weeks and it has also meant that instead of spending on average £2000 a week on huge supermarket deliveries, last week our order only cost £300.

Thank you so much for continuing to help us help those most in need in our community.

Best wishes

Emily
Administrator
Living Well Bromley



MASSES

Sunday 13 Oct **Twenty-eighth Sunday**
Day of Prayer for Prisoners & their Families
 6.00 pm **VIGIL** Crescenzo & Delisa Panetta RIP
 8.00 am Fr Steve & family members living and dec'd
 9.30 am Anna Knell RIP
 FHC Enrollment Mass
 9.30 am FAMILY MASS Ints of the Dennis family
 11.00 am Enedina Frau RIP
 5.30 pm For the people

Monday 14 Oct **Feria (St Callistus 1, Pope & Martyr)**
 10.00 am Monica Grima RIP

Tues 15 Oct **St Teresa of Jesus (Avila)**
 10.00 am All persecuted born & unborn children

Wed 16 Oct **Feria (St Hedwig)**
 10.00 am Dec'd benefactors & promoters of the Claver Sisters

Thurs 17 Oct **St Ignatius of Antioch**
 10.00 am Clara Mayungbe on her birthday

Friday 18 Oct **St Luke, Evangelist**
 10.00 am Thomas Bruder RIP

Sat 19 Oct **Sts John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests**
 10.00 am Lucas De Souza RIP (b'day)
 6.00 pm **VIGIL** Manuel Pampin Mosquera RIP (2nd anniv)

Sunday 20 Oct **Twenty-ninth Sunday**
 8.00 am Jane Harris RIP
 9.30 am Jeanne & Pierre Champetier RIP
 9.30 am FAMILY MASS For the people
 11.00 am Lee Cabilin RIP
 5.30 pm Edward Piatek RIP

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.

OFFERTORY	
WEEK ENDING 6.10.24	
Plate Collection	827.04
Contactless	263.94
Bank Standing Order	2227.33
Church Suite Regular Giving	2148.32
TOTAL	5466.63

MISSIO BOXES

If you have a red box at home please bring it to the Office for its half yearly emptying.

We pray for those who have died:

Robert Swan, Raymond Francis Williamson, Pat Leach, Francis D'Souza, Enrico Carboni Gillian Maddock-Lyon, John Crouch Hugh Anthony Richards, Benito Valentino, Clare McNamara, Fr Jake Dicto.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries are at this time:

Anna Knell, John Wallis, Peter Fagan Snr, Peter Fagan Jr, Geoffrey Burnham, Frances Wilson, James McGilloway, Poppy Howie, Patrick Cummins, Istvan Mod, Beatrice Erskine, Fr Paul Weir, Billy Cannon, Eileen McGrath, Paula Marbach, Betty Banfield, Christopher Gunapala, Dave Webb, Jacyntha Dutton, Ilie Florian, Archbishop Michael Bowen, Christina Pamment, Patricia McGrory.

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, Hans Halpin, Paul, Norma Powell, Joan Morris, Kathleen Hayes, Marie Rennie, Fitzroy Maxima Saunders, Paul Hixson, Fabiola Zorrilla and Bernadette Murray.

Meditation every Monday in the Hall (not bank holidays) from 5.30 - 6.20 pm, except for the first Monday when it is in the Lady Chapel.

Contemplative Saturday on 19 October in the Hall from 11-12

Please respect the need to arrive promptly and observe the silence.

DIARY

Oct
 Sat 19 Day of Recollection in Welling
 Sat 26 Day of Recollection in Streatham
 Tues 29 Requiem for Francis D'Souza at 10.00
 Wed 30 Requiem for Benito Valentino at 11.30

Nov
 Sat 9 Fundraising Cheese & Wine for the Claver Sisters mission work.

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/>