

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST EDMUND OF CANTERBURY

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Sunday 3 Nov 2024

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**There is no second
collection this weekend**

Holy Hour for the Dignity of the Human Person

During the November meeting of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, the bishops will gather for a Holy Hour to pray for the promotion of the dignity of the human person and the culture of life in England and Wales.

This comes in response to the assisted suicide legislation currently before the UK Parliament. The Bishops' Holy Hour will start at **5.30 pm on Wednesday 13 November**.

Parishes, religious houses, and other institutions within Southwark archdiocese, as well as those in other dioceses across England and Wales, have been invited to arrange Holy Hours at the same time, so as to be united with the bishops in a powerful moment of prayer, that the intrinsic dignity of every person be respected.

At St Edmund's we will have the Rosary, followed by a period of Adoration, concluding with Benediction at the same time as the Bishops' Hour.

LAW SURGERY

**Monday 4 November
Meeting Room in Hall**

Please come at 6.00 pm to wait your turn to see the solicitor.

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

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATION FORMS

Fr Steve will be available to sign school application forms for entry into primary school at the following times.

Thursday 28 November
3.20 pm to 4.50 pm and
6.00 pm until 8.00 pm.

Sunday 5 January
10.40 am until 12.30 pm.

Please would parents phone the Office to book a time.

It is expected that all parents needing an application form signed will avail themselves of these times.

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL SECOND COLLECTION

Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 November

The Archbishop's Appeal is a Diocesan second collection that funds key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas), and Clergy Care and Formation. Your support will enable the Archdiocese of Southwark to support innovative projects taking place within Catholic parishes and schools throughout South London and Kent that seek to invest Faith, Hope and Love into the communities they serve. Please be generous to the Archbishop's Appeal 2024

Every gift is welcome. Find out more, or donate online: www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal or scan the QR Code.

Telephone weekdays 9-5 pm: 020 7960 2504

Cash/Cheque – please use the Archbishop's Appeal envelopes at the back of church. Thank you for your generosity of heart.



**THE LIGHT OF CHRIST
CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING**

invites you to join them in the Hall on
Wednesday 6 November

7.45 pm Praise and Worship

8.00 pm Holy Mass Celebrant is

Fr Kenneth Iwunna from St Saviors,
Lewisham

Followed by Lectio Divina

10.00 pm Evening concludes

DAY OF HEALING

Saturday 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

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.

The 2025 Church Diary is now open 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.

Many Mass intentions have been booked
already, so if you have any dates that you
would particularly like please send them as
soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

**We have no Masses without an
intention in 2024.**

**BECKENHAM CHRISTMAS
SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024**



Thank you so much for your shoebox
donations. Over 60 were collected on
Tuesday and by now should be on their way
to Kosovo.

Your lovely gifts will bring such joy and
happiness to the recipients.

Thank you

FAITH IN ACTION AWARDS CEREMONY

Saturday 30 November

3.30-5.30 pm

followed by Vigil Mass at 6.00

This year's celebration marks the faith and
actions of 24 young candidates over the
past year. They have given over 1200 hours
of personal service at home, in school and
parish life, and across the wider community,
and collectively they have raised over
£2,200 for charity.

Please keep these young people and their
families in your prayers, and email
[bromley-
deaneryFIA@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:bromley-deaneryFIA@rcaos.org.uk) if you'd like to
join us to give them a big hand as they
receive their various awards in our Hall.

MISSIO BOXES

If you have a red box at home please bring
it to the office for its half yearly emptying. It
will be returned to the narthex for you to
collect.

If you cannot see your returned box please
take a blank box and add your name and
telephone number to the label.

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

BISHOP CHALLENGOR SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS FAIR 2024

Sunday 1 December
12.00 - 3.30 pm

Raffle & Auction, Santa's Grotto,
Craft Stalls, Children's Activities
& Games and Food & Drink
Stalls.

Prospective stall holders and food vendors
please contact pta1@bcsweb.co.uk

THE DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE

Divine Mercy Retreat

Saturday 9 November

1.00 pm to 4.30 pm

St Vincent's RC Church

Mallard Close, Dartford, DA1 5HU

The retreat will be led by the Marian

Fathers and will include teachings on the
Holy Rosary, the Message of Divine Mercy,
Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of
the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and
Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus.

All welcome. No booking required.

Call Millie on **07957594646** for
more information

COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND

Please contact one of the clergy or the Office
if you know of a parishioner who is unable to
attend Mass in person and would like to
receive communion at home.



Coloma Convent Girls' School is
holding a Mass of Remembrance
on Thursday 21 November at
4.00 pm to remember all
deceased Coloma students, staff
& family members. Families of those who
have died are warmly invited to attend this
Mass which will take place at the school.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to
liturgy@coloma.co.uk by 15 November
indicating the name of your loved one so
that they can be remembered at this Mass

CAFOD Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development



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STRONGER



Aaliyah* sits on the remains of a damaged building with her daughter in their neighbourhood in southern Gaza, in October 2024.

Middle East Humanitarian Appeal

£10

gives displaced families
emergency water

Millions are fleeing airstrikes in
Lebanon and Gaza. CAFOD and
our Church partners are already
there, responding.

£120

gets emergency shelter
to three households

*Please pray and please give.
Every gift is needed.*

Scan here



GIVE TODAY

cafod.org.uk/give

or call **0808 58 588 85**

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

SHUTTING THE DOORS

Over the last few months we have seen an
increase in callers to the Office and the
Presbytery, and also inside the church, who
have caused us concern and might pose a
threat to people praying in the church.

As darkness comes earlier each day we will
close the church by 4.30 pm.

I am sorry to have to do this but feel that it is
a necessary step to take to ensure the
safety of those who visit our church.

Fr Steve

MASSES

Sunday 3 Nov **Thirty-first Sunday**
 6.00 pm Crescenzo & Delisa Panetta RIP
 8.00 am For the people
 9.30 am FAMILY MASS Ints of the Dennis Family
 11.00 am Mike Ekong, Caroline Anaele,
 Mary & John Edet & all dec'd
 members of Edet & Ekong families
 Anna Murgia RIP
 5.30 pm

Monday 4 Nov **St Charles Borromeo, Martyr**
 10.00 am Stan Ziolk RIP (anniv)

Tues 5 Nov **Feria**
 10.00 am Dec'd Claver Sisters
 2.00 pm Requiem for Fabiola Zorilla
 Corrigan

Wed 6 Nov **Feria**
 10.00 am Michael Ekong RIP

Thurs 7 Nov **The Dedication of the Cathedral
 Church of St George**
 10.00 am Benefactors & promoters of the
 Claver Sisters

Friday 8 Nov **Feria (St Willibrord, Bishop)**
 9.00 am St Mary's Yr 3
 10.00 am Berthe Reynaud

Sat 9 Nov **The Dedication of the Lateran
 Basilica**
 10.00 am Harendrakumar Manibel Patel RIP
 6.00 pm Dec'd members of Howard &
 Piatek Families

Sunday 10 Nov **Thirty-second Sunday
 Remembrance Sunday**
 8.00 am Peter May RIP
 9.30 am For the people
 9.30 am FAMILY MASS Theresa Lobo RIP
 11.00 am Federico Biancucci RIP
**Please arrive by 10.55 so we can share the
 nation's silence at 11.00 am.**
 5.30 pm Jeanne & Pierre Champetier 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 27.10.24	
Plate Collection	1097.95
Contactless	325.40
Bank Standing Order	785.00
Church Suite Regular Giving	1167.85
TOTAL	3376.20

**Bank details to set up a regular
 standing order:**
 Account name: RCAS Beckenham
 Sort Code: 60 02 12
 Acc No: 14282887

We pray for those who have died: Pat
 Leach, Hugh Anthony Richards, Joel Oluka
 Okiror, Francis Ekomolott Onapito,
 Bernadette Murray, Fabiola Zorilla Corrigan.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries are
 at this time:** Michael & Bill Cleary, Fr
 Desmond Trant-McCarthy, Margery May,
 Fr Martin Breen, Brian Cooper, Harry
 Leamon, Mark Parsons, Fr John Redford,
 Valentine Potts, Sandra Richards, Jim Byrne,
 Eileen Hixson, Dorrien Muriel Flood, Megan
 Grey, Mary Phelan, Cardinal John Heenan,
 Fr Robin Mountford, Mary Ward,

**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.

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 **2 November**
 in the Hall from 11-12.noon.

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

DIARY	
Nov	
Mon 4	Law Surgery in Hall Meeting Room
Tues 5	Requiem for Fabiola Zorilla Corrigan at 2.00 pm
Sat 9	Fundraising Cheese & Wine evening for the Claver Sisters mission work.
Dec	
Mon 9	SVP Christmas lunch
Sat 14	Advent Reconciliation Service at 3.00 pm Advent Carol Service at 7.15 pm followed by reception in the Hall

Link to set up a regular donation
 through ChurchSuite:
<https://stedmunds.churchsuite.com/donate/>