

## CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST EDMUND OF CANTERBURY

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Sunday 12 January 2025 Yr C

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Next weekend the second  
collection is for Pax Christi



## CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE

Just before Christmas the CWL completed their latest charity led activity, this time for PACT, an organisation that supports the families of prisoners,

and those being released.

Many prisoners are socially isolated and have almost no belongings when they leave the prison. PACT tries to ensure that they are given a bag or rucksack containing a range of basic necessities, including a change of socks and underwear.

We produced 19 well equipped packs, which were collected by a prison outreach officer and taken to two prisons in Sutton.

We have not yet decided on a project for 2025.

As always, new members are very welcome to join us. We meet in the Hall every second Monday of the month at 2.00 pm. Our next meeting is this Monday.

## LOST & FOUND

A Sunday missal has been handed in to me, inscribed 'To S.... On your First Holy Communion 11 May 2024 with love from Dad.'

Please see me if it is yours. Fr. Andrew

## THE LIGHT OF CHRIST CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

invites you to join us in the parish hall on  
Wednesday 15th January at

7.45 pm Praise and Worship  
8.00 pm Holy Mass - Celebrant  
Fr Kenneth Iwunna  
Followed by Informal Prayer meeting  
10.00 pm Evening concludes.



## CHURCH SERVICES TV

Our live stream facility and recordings are provided by Church Services TV, a company based in Dublin. They provide us with a daily email of the number of viewers and it is noticeable that during this very cold period significantly more people are joining Mass from their home.

During last year we totalled 50,171 views of our services which amounts to a viewing time of 75,145 hours!

## BIBLE IN A YEAR GROUP

All are welcome to the **Bible in a Year** group who are meeting on Friday 17 January at 7.30 pm in the committee room next to the Hall.

Please contact Annie at [anniepwilliamson@gmail.com](mailto:anniepwilliamson@gmail.com) for more information.

## CHURCH SUITE

Is the database on which we hold parishioners contact details.

We chose Church Suite as it gives parishioners the ability to input and update their own record, but we do rely on you to keep the information current. You can do this at: <https://saintedmunds.net/index.php/new-parishioners/> but if you need the

Office to assist you please either email the changes to us or write them down and post them through the door.

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

## ST MARK'S CHURCH, WEST WICKHAM CONGOLESE CHAPLAINCY

Thanks to a request from a parishioner, and with the approval of the archbishop, St Mark's will be hosting a regular Sunday Mass organised by the Congolese chaplaincy in London. The Mass will be celebrated in French and Lingala.

All are welcome to these Masses which will fulfil the Sunday obligation. As far as I am aware there are few celebrations of Mass in our diocese in either French or Lingala so we hope that these celebrations will be a good way of welcoming French speaking African Catholics to St Mark's.

The first Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 19 January at 3.00 pm and initially they will be every fortnight.

Fr Ashley Beck

## FLAME 2025 SATURDAY 15 MARCH

Happy Jubilee New Year!

As we enter the Jubilee Year as *Pilgrims of Hope*, the FLAME2025 theme **UNSTOPPABLE: Fan the Flame of Hope** invites young people and those young at heart, to join the Catholic Youth Ministry Team of Bromley Deanery for this Big Youth Day Out. Don't miss the opportunity to join 10,000 other like-minded Catholics at an inspirational one-day event to hear from a line-up of acclaimed key note speakers and UK's top faith music acts such as Guvnor B, One Hope Project and Adeniké.

For a limited time, tickets are £20 each, including the return journey to and from OVO Wembley Arena.

For more information and payment details, visit the registration link [here](#) or scan the QR code after viewing our [Deanery Promo Video!](#)

Please get your tickets now and jump on board the coach with us! Let's be

***Unstoppable, together!***



## PAX CHRISTI

Prayer for Peace on Earth will be celebrated in the Catholic Church of England and Wales on Sunday 19 January. The work of Pax Christi, the international Catholic Movement for Peace, is based on the Gospel and inspired by Faith. It has a vision of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, the movement works with all who share the values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice. Special envelopes for donations are available in the porch to support Pax Christi's vision.

## CHRISTMAS CRIB APPEAL

Your donations at the crib this year are for the Catholic Children's Society and will be used to care for families living within Southwark diocese who need some help.

Donations can be put in the wall safe by the shop or you can use the QR code.



## CONFIRMATION 2025

For young people in Yr 9 or above.

Please use this link to register:

<https://stedmunds.churchsuite.com/events/nn42ohqm>

## 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.

This is for all children, not just your first child.

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**



### COLOMA PAST PUPILS

Many ex-Coloma pupils will remember Mrs Gill Tripper who was their Head of Drama for many years.

Sadly Gill died shortly before Christmas after a long illness.

There will be a Mass said for the repose of Gill's soul at 10.00 am on March 21.

### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** is an ecumenical Christian observance celebrated across the world. It is kept annually between 18 January and 25 January. It is an *octave*, that is, an observance lasting eight days.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is coordinated annually by the World Council of Churches. The Roman Catholic Church, which is an observer in the World Council of Churches, also celebrates the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.



CTiB, Churches Together in Beckenham, co-ordinates shared worship, pulpit swaps, coffee mornings, music sessions. At St Edmund's we offer a couple of hours of meditation in our Lady Chapel.

### SOUTHWARK CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE

The Southwark Catholic Youth Service has a number of forthcoming activities for youth and young adults.

For regular updates on forthcoming events, sign up to its network at [www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork](http://www.tinyurl.com/scysnetwork).

For queries on youth activities email [youth@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:youth@rcaos.org.uk)

**BROMLEY COUNCIL'S PUBLIC AFFAIRS TEAM**, in collaboration with Bromley's Public Health team, have asked us to publish the following seeking feedback from residents in the borough on their experiences using their local pharmacies.

### HOW CAN PHARMACIES IN YOUR LOCAL AREA IMPROVE?

Please complete the Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) Survey and have your voice heard to help shape the future of pharmacies in our borough.

Could you spare a few minutes to share your experiences with the pharmacies you visit and use in the borough? Your feedback will help identify the need for support and services delivered by pharmacies in your local area.

Visit [www.bromley.gov.uk/PharmaceuticalNeedsAssessment](http://www.bromley.gov.uk/PharmaceuticalNeedsAssessment) to complete the survey which closes on 28 February.

### MARRIAGES

Are you one of the many couples in the country who became engaged over Christmas? If you are, and your intention is to be married in church, then you need to contact a priest or deacon at least six months before your marriage date to begin the necessary preparation.



### COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND

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

### MOTHER AND TODDLERS - Church Hall

Our group runs every Monday during term time from 10.00 am until 11.30 am. Entry is £3.00 per family, which includes tea/coffee, juice & biscuits, craft materials etc. We would be very happy to welcome some new adult helpers. If you are interested in helping please contact the Parish Office.

## MASSES

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|----------------------|---|
| <b>Sunday 12 Jan</b> | <b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>  |
| 6.00 pm VIGIL        | Delisa & Crescenzo Panetta  |
| 8.00 am              | Maureen Harrow (rcntly dcscd) & the dcscd members of the Bean & Harrow families |
| 9.30 am              | Private Ints of James Conner  |
| 9.30 am HALL         | For the people of the parish  |
| CHILDRENS MASS       |   |
| 11.00 am             | Monica Grima RIP  |
| 5.30 pm              | Seeking God's protection & health for my mother                                 |
| <b>Monday 13 Jan</b> | <b>Feria (St Hilary, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the church)</b>                     |
| 10.00 am             | Welfare & intentions of Raphael Fleming   |
| <b>Tues 14 Jan</b>   | <b>Feria</b>  |
| 10.00 am             | For the children & grand children of Howard & Mary Long                         |
| <b>Wed 15 Jan</b>    | <b>Feria</b>  |
| 10.00 am             | Douglas Arthur RIP (12th anniv)   |
| <b>Thurs 16 Jan</b>  | <b>Feria</b>  |
| 10.00 am             | Margaret Baker RIP  |
| <b>Friday 17 Jan</b> | <b>St Anthony, Abbot</b>  |
| 10.00 am             | For Little Mo RIP   |
|                      | <b>No Adoration</b>   |
| Noon                 | Requiem for Keith Gard  |
| <b>Sat 18 Jan</b>    | <b>Feria (Blessed Virgin Mary)</b>  |
| 10.00 am             | Alfonso & Mariuccia Nesti RIP   |
| 6.00 pm VIGIL        | Baby Charlotte Flannery RIP   |
| <b>Sunday 19 Jan</b> | <b>Second Sunday</b>  |
|                      | <b>Peace Sunday</b>   |
| 8.00 am              | Ints of the Ewings Family   |
| 9.30 am              | For the people of the parish  |
| 9.30 am HALL         | Sr Pat Devine   |
| CHILDRENS MASS       |   |
| 11.00 am             | Ellen Keane RIP   |
| 5.30 pm              | Noreen Dowling 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<br>WEEK ENDING 5.1.25 |                |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Plate Collection                | 722.60         |
| Contactless                     | 488.60         |
| Bank Standing Order             | 2290.00        |
| Church Suite Regular Giving     | 2001.16        |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>5502.36</b> |

**We pray for those who have died:** Roy Edwards, Fr Wenna Henry Tiku, Fr John Lawrence, Dorio Melfi, Keith Gard, Christopher Power, Jacqueline Mary Galea, Fr Paddy Cannon, Kathleen Hayes, Sam Candasamy, Alonzo Chin.

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries are at this time:** John Goodwill, Kathleen Buckley, Sr Laserian Fleming, Michael Fitzpatrick, Harry McGuigan, Joan Harrigan, Carol Williams, Kathleen Bryon, Agnes Burns, Leo Carroll, Nora Teresa Kidd, Ita Smith, Lucy Denne, Sharon Oates, James O'Reilly, William Webster, Peggy Brown, Baby Charlotte Flannery, Geraldine Muir, Tanya Clarke, Terence McGee, James O'Reilly.

**Your prayers are asked for:** Hedwig Harper, Keith Kench, Fr Ray Brennan, Terry Woollard, Wendy Adams, Elizabeth, Rosanna Sookram, Anne Flynn, Hans Halpin, Paul M Williams, Norma Powell, Joan Morris, Fitzroy Maxima Saunders, Paul Hixson, Susan McWilliams, Mary-Jo McCarthy, Jacqueline Djasrabe and Christine.

## DIARY

### January

- Mon 13 CWL meeting at 2.00 in the Hall
- Fri 17 Requiem for Keith Gard at noon  
Bible in a Year group 7.30 pm in Hall Meeting Room
- Wed 22 Requiem for Christopher Power at noon
- Fri 24 Christian Unity Week - A Quiet Time for Prayer & Reflection 2.00 - 4.00 pm. In the Lady Chapel

### February

- Tues 4 Requiem for Kathleen Hayes--time tbc

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

### 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/>