

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 26th October

6.30pm

Thirtieth Sunday of the Year B

Birthday Thanksgiving - Jonny

Sunday 27th October

8.30am

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The People of the Parish

10.00am

Pepe German RIP

11.30am

Mauro Figueroa RIP

Monday 28th October

Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles, Feast

9.30am

Loreto Bongais RIP

Tuesday 29th October

Feria

9.30am

For Peace in Ukraine and for the end of war

12.30pm

Funeral Mass for Mauro Sagmit Figueroa RIP

Wednesday 30th October

Feria

9.30am

Mauro Figueroa RIP

Thursday 31st October

Feria

9.30am

John Wilkinson RIP

7.30pm

The People of the Parish

Friday 1st November

Solemnity of All Saints - Holy Day of Obligation

9.30am

Street Children of the World

Saturday 2nd November

The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

9.30am

Holy Souls

Collection	20th October 2024	2nd Collection:	Missio
Cash	£461.45	Cash	£478.92
Gift Aid	£290.50	Gift Aid	£ 65.00
Total	£751.95	Total	£543.92
Monthly Standing Order	£4682		

Please pray for all the sick of our parish who are at home and in hospitals. Please also pray for the souls of the faithful departed that God may grant them eternal rest.

1ST NOVEMBER IS ALL SAINTS DAY AND IS A HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

Masses are at 7.30pm (Vigil) and 9:30am. 2nd November is All Souls Day, Masses are at 9:30am and 6:30pm.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

The Holy Souls mass envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Please include the names of your deceased family members and friends along with your Mass offerings in the envelope. The envelopes will be placed in a basket at the front of the altar. Mass offerings will be used to celebrate Masses for Holy Souls during the year.

GRAVE BLESSING SERVICES IN THE BEXLEY DEANERY

The grave blessing services in the Bexley Deanery will take place as below:

St. Paulinus Cemetery Crayford - Sunday 3rd November at 12.30pm.

Kemnal Park Cemetery - Sunday 3rd November at 2:00pm.

Hill View Cemetery Welling - Saturday 9th November at 12noon to 3pm.

Sidcup Cemetery - Sunday 10th November at 1pm.

Bexleyheath Cemetery - Sunday 10th November at 2:30pm.

Brook Street Cemetery Erith - Sunday 10th November at 3pm.

VACANCY - PARISH SECRETARY

St Lawrence of Canterbury Church, Sidcup is a busy, friendly parish with a large number of lay people assisting in various ministries, sacramental preparation and organisations that make up our parish family. We currently have an exciting opportunity for a Parish Secretary (Part-Time) to provide administrative support to the Parish office by implementing and maintaining office systems, processes and procedures. To be considered for the role, please send a CV and covering letter (no longer than one side of A4) to Fr Regis Rubaya on regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted. For full job description see our website www.stlsidcup.org.

NEXT FIRST FRIDAY LUNCH - 1ST NOVEMBER 12NOON TO 2PM

MARIST WAY GROUP MEETING - Saturday 2nd November after the 9:30am Mass in the upper room of the hall.

PARISH FILM NIGHT WEDNESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER AT 7PM - Arrive from 7pm for social time/refreshments (provided by us) . Film starts at 7.30pm. Free raffle. See the poster at the back of the church for details. All are welcome.

REPOSITORY - Christmas cards, calendars, diaries and small gifts will be on sale in the Repository, in the church hall, after the Sunday 8.30 Masses until 11.30 and during the Wednesday coffee mornings.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The Children's Liturgy dates for the Autumn term are as follows: November 10th, 17th, 24th; December 1st, 8th, 15th. No sessions on the 27th October and 3rd November. The Children's Liturgy will be having a Christmas Party in the hall Upper room on Sunday 15th December after the last session. All are welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION APPLICATION FORMS

The First Holy Communion programme for children in Year 3 and above will be starting in November. Both parent and child will need to be regular Sunday Mass attendees in this parish to join the course. For an application form please see Fr. Allan after Mass. Closing date for submitting completed application forms is 27th October. Parents meeting is on Thursday 7th November at 7 pm in the Hall. Enrolment Mass is on Sunday 10th November at 10 am, both parent and child will need to attend the Mass.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Thinking about becoming Catholic? As an adult are you thinking about becoming Catholic or are you considering the Sacrament of Confirmation as an adult? If so please speak with Fr Allan about an application form. The first meeting for RCIA candidates will be on Thursday 28th November at 7:30 pm in the parish office.

AFTERNOON TEA - The Spiritual and Social Events team would like to say a BIG thank you to all those who came along to our first Afternoon Tea held on 13 October. We hope you had an enjoyable afternoon. It was certainly lovely to see the hall so full with people singing and dancing along with the entertainer, Aiden Kent. It is with great pleasure that we announce that with your help we have raised the wonderful total of £1,520 which will go to the St Lawrence's Charitable Fund and provide them with much-needed financial support to aid their continued work within the community. Once again thank you for your wonderful support and generosity and we look forward to seeing you at our next event in the New Year.

ST. LAWRENCE'S CHRISTMAS FAIR - SATURDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

The St. Lawrence's Christmas Fair will soon be descending upon us so we are now asking parishioners for any donations. Items include chocolates, bottles of alcohol, toys, children's books, cuddly toys and, general bric and brac. Any items donated will be truly appreciated. Donations may be left in the parish office. We are looking for volunteers to help us with this year's Christmas Fair, for more information please contact Catherine Culbert 07828003594.

ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL 2ND COLLECTION 9TH/10TH NOVEMBER - For details see the poster on the notice boards.

DEATH NOTICES

1. The Funeral Mass for Mauro Sagmit Figueroa RIP will take place on Tuesday 29th October at 12.30pm followed by Cremation at Kemnal Park Crematorium at 2.00pm.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.