

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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THIRTY - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ARE ON PAGE 164

Saturday 15th November 6.30pm	Thirty-Third Sunday Year C Liem Unthank RIP	
Sunday 16th November	Thirty-Third Sunday Year C	
8.30am	Baby Robyn Nash-Flanagan RIP	
10.00am	Charmaine German RIP	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	Colin Bradbury RIP	
Monday 17th November 9.30am	Feria Thanksgiving for the 75th Birthday of Roquesinho Agnelo Tamaturgo Rodrigues	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 18th November 9.30am	Feria Colin Bradbury RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 19th November 9.30am	Feria Barbara Cabral RIP	Coffee Morning
Thursday 20th November 9.30am	Feria Prenash, Drane Keshtenja and Marie, Petriti Stenaj RIP	
Friday 21st November 9.30am	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Deceased Members of the Green and Halse Families	
Saturday 22nd November 9.30am 6.30pm	Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr Well-being for Veronica Rushforth Thanksgiving and blessings for the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Bill and Chris Head-Rapson	8.45am Morning Prayer
Sunday 23rd November	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	
8.30am	Jim Phillips RIP	
10.00am	Mary Boryczka RIP	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	Birthday Thanksgiving for Horace Young	
Collection	9th November 2025	Second Collection
Cash	£468.23	This week
Gift Aid	£297.13	None
Total	£765.36	
Monthly Standing Order	£4157	

The Sacrament of Penance - Saturday mornings 11am-12noon and before Mass on Saturday evening or by arrangement.

Baptism preparation course for parents will take place on the first Monday of every month at 7pm. Call to book a place.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER **For collaboration between different religious traditions.**

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

PRAYER REQUESTS - If you would like to request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish newsletter, please send an email to:

regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk

PLEASE PRAY FOR - Those who have died recently:
Colin Bradbury, Joan Somerset.

HAIL HOLY QUEEN Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, O most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray; Almighty and everlasting God, by the cooperation of the Holy Spirit you prepared the body and soul of Mary, glorious Virgin and Mother, to become the worthy habitation of your Son; grant that by her gracious intercession, in whose commemoration we rejoice, we may be delivered from present evils and from everlasting death. Through Christ our Lord.

JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR!

Our annual **Christmas Fair** will take place on **Saturday 29th November from 10.30am at the parish**. We warmly invite you to join us for a day of festive fun, community spirit, and holiday cheer! We are looking for volunteers to help set up and run the stalls, and we would be very grateful for donations of bottles of drinks, chocolates, sweets, fancy goods, and any unwanted gifts that could be sold at the fair. We would also greatly appreciate donations of homemade cakes, jams, or any type of preserves for our popular Homemade Stall. Please call Debbie on 07973 989730.

St Peter Chanel Catholic Primary - Open Mornings

Be part of an inclusive, thriving school community, where all are welcome; we have high expectations, outstanding personal development and a memorable, well-developed and exciting curriculum. Our Open Mornings continue on Friday 28th November from 9:30am – 11am. Please contact the school via 0208 302 6029 or via admin@st-peterchanel.bexley.sch.uk if you are unable to visit at these times and would like to book in a visit to see why St Peter Chanel would be the right school for your child.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Fr. Regis warmly invites anyone interested in the RCIA program to an initial meeting: Thursday, 20th November at 7:00 PM in the Parish Office. Come along to meet Fr. Regis, learn more about the program, and discuss the journey toward becoming Catholic.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - The Children's Liturgy runs in term time every Sunday at 10am Mass (from 9th November to 14th December). All children are very welcome to attend with or without their parents.

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE The annual joint Advent Carol Service between St Lawrence's and Holy Trinity Lamorbey will take place on Sunday 30th November at Holy Trinity (corner of Hurst Road) at 6pm. Refreshments will be served after the service.

GRAVE BLESSING SERVICE:

Sidcup Cemetery - Sunday 16th November at 2pm.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

Life in the Spirit Seminars are currently taking place weekly on Mondays, at 2:30 in the upper room of the parish community centre. These talks are for everyone who wants or feels the need to grow in their understanding of their faith and get closer to God. Pope Francis is a firm supporter of this form of evangelisation to all Catholics. He made known his desire that every parish in the world should offer these seminars to all parishioners. He has seen the impact of these seminars on people at all levels—within the Church from himself down to the newest member of the Church. Our Archbishop is also a firm advocate of these seminars.

PRAYER AND FASTING FOR LIFE

Please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia on Monday 17th November. See poster at the back of the church. These days seem quite dark, what with Parliament voting to partly decriminalize abortion and voting to legalise euthanasia. Please invite others to join us in praying and fasting for life, you can do so with this link, <https://www.facebook.com/events/828656872884422>

REPOSITORY - Christmas cards, calendars, diaries and small gifts will be on sale in the Repository, in the church hall, after the Sunday 8.30am and 10am Masses and during the Wednesday coffee mornings.

ST LAWRENCE CHARITABLE FUND

Annual Appeal www.slcfc.org.uk

The SLCF annual appeal is on the weekend of 22nd/23rd November. Donations can be made following all Masses. You may want to consider gift aid, regular donation or volunteering. Please speak to the trustees after Mass or email stlawrencecf@gmail.com

Thank you in advance for your continued support and prayers.