



## CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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### 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year – Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021

#### FORTHCOMING MASSES

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 10am**

*November Dead List*

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November 6pm**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 10am**

#### Mass Intentions for this week

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 10am**

*Deceased family & friends of the Thursday Club*

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November 6pm**

*Tony Masterson RIP*

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 10am**

*People of the parish*

#### LIVE-STREAMED MASSES

Masses and other liturgies can be located on-line.

Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales website:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/online-mass-directory/>

#### Our Lady Help of Christians:

[www.churchservices.tv/rickmansworth](http://www.churchservices.tv/rickmansworth)

#### DIAL-A-MASS - 01642 130120

(local rate call)

St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough.

#### MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN

Clearly this weekend we should continue to pray for the success of the COP26 gathering in Glasgow. But during the first two weeks in November there are always two other subjects for our prayers. We remember the sick and retired clergy of the Diocese, and take the special collection that supports them; and next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday, when we honour all who lost their lives in the wars of the last hundred years. Our second reading this weekend continues our series of extracts from the letter to the Hebrews. The author has presented Jesus as our ideal high priest, and he goes on to make an elaborate comparison between the sacrifice Jesus offered when he died on the cross, and the sacrifices offered by the Jewish high priest on the annual day of atonement. The conclusion of his argument forms our reading: Jesus does not need to offer himself again and again, as he dealt with sin once and for all by offering himself on the cross.

#### WESTMINSTER SYNODAL PATHWAY

***Pope Francis is offering us the opportunity to participate in a time of listening and reflecting.***

He hopes this will help us to discern how God's presence comes into our lives and what the Spirit of God is prompting us to do anew, so that we might be more alive and creative in our response to the call of Jesus, our Way, Truth and Life.

Over the next few weeks we will be exploring the ways in which we can become involved at parish level.

#### BAPTISM

Congratulations to the parents of Patrick Quinlivan, who was baptised at St Bede's last weekend. We welcome Patrick into the family of God and into our parish community. May God bless him always.

#### PARISH GARDEN TIDY-UP NEXT SATURDAY

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November - 10am**

Please come along to help out with the annual trimming back and general tidying up of the church grounds, ready for the winter. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED.

Bring your gardening gloves and loppers, etc. for some fresh air and good company! Hope to see you there!

#### ONE SMALL CHANGE

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November – 7pm**

**organised by Croxley Baptist Church and St Oswald's at CROXLEY DANES SCHOOL**  
**Save the Date to Save the Planet**

An evening together with family and friends to raise the profile of environmental challenges facing the world and to encourage "one small change" we can make locally that will make a big difference globally. The evening will include a quiz, posters display from local schools, a panel discussion (featuring our MP, a local politician, an environmental psychologist and a local minister and former climate scientist) along with a range of other inputs from local groups and from across the world to get us thinking and talking. **Bring your own drinks and glasses. Table snacks will be provided.**

**PLEASE BOOK** as a group, or individually by emailing: [bookingsosc@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsosc@gmail.com) or by calling **07932 339859**.

There is no charge for this event, but there will be an opportunity during the evening to make a donation to cover costs.

***If you would like to attend with the small group from St Bede's, already registered, please let me know.***

**Ursula – 01923 445163 or email [croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk)**

#### COFFEE IN THE HALL

**(Second Sunday of the month)**

Join us for coffee & refreshments in the Hall next **Sunday - 14<sup>th</sup> November after 10am Mass.**

The theme will be Remembrance Day. A small donation towards the cost of refreshments would be very much appreciated.

#### COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

We ask that you continue to adopt a HANDS, FACE, SPACE approach.

Please continue to wear a face covering in church, unless exempt, and ensure you sanitise your hands upon entry and exit.

#### NEW TO THE PARISH or CHANGE OF ADDRESS / TEL NO

Please fill out a card (in church porch), or email your details to us.

#### KEEPING IN TOUCH

Stay in touch by signing up to E-Alerts on the parish website.

#### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION – a prayer for all who are unable to receive Holy Communion in person

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.*

**PTO**

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Kathy & Kevin Stewart who were married at St Bede's on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> October. We wish them every happiness for the future. May God bless them.

## PARISH NURSE TRUSTEE

Churches in Croxley Green CIO are seeking a new Trustee to join the team. If you have business ability and a talent for raising funds, and feel you can help, please get in touch.

**Contact: Rev Lisa Kerry**  
**lkerry@aol.com**

## A MESSAGE FROM CAFOD

**Thank you for supporting our Climate Crisis Appeal** for our recent Family Fast Day. Every donation helps us in our work and is gratefully received.

[cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis](https://cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis)

Please pray for the success of the upcoming UN climate talks in Glasgow, COP26, from 31<sup>st</sup> October to 12<sup>th</sup> November. Please pray that that world leaders will put the needs of marginalised communities around the world, those most affected by climate change, right at the heart of these climate talks. For more information see [cafod.org.uk/COP26](https://cafod.org.uk/COP26)

*May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 and instill in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the most vulnerable.*

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL

### VINNIE PACKS

The SVP are distributing **11,500 Vinnie Packs** containing cold weather essentials to the homeless this winter. Please consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £3.70 per pack. Donations can be sent to **Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ** with cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West **Sort code 60-60-04 Account No 4608 8237**  
**Thank you so much for your support.**

## CHURCHES TOGETHER

### WEBSITE Can you help?

The Committee is seeking a technically-minded volunteer to administer the Churches Together website. If you are able to assist please get in touch.

**Contact: Ursula - 445163**

## ST JOAN OF ARC SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

**Weds 10<sup>th</sup> November 6 - 8pm**

For students seeking education in Sixth Form College in 2022.

Further details available on the website:

[www.joa.herts.sch.uk](http://www.joa.herts.sch.uk)

or email:

[admin@joa.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@joa.herts.sch.uk)

## CONFIRMATION 2022

We would now like to invite candidates who wish to receive the sacrament of Confirmation to register their interest. Candidates must be 15 years of age this current school year (Year 10), or older.

**A meeting for the parents of prospective candidates will be held on Weds 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30pm in the Hall.**

### Help needed

In order to run the Confirmation programme we require the assistance of adults who are willing to support our Lead Catechist.

***This role would prove to be very rewarding for parents of the candidates, so we urge you to consider offering your help.***

Volunteers are required to have DBS clearance, and full guidance would be offered.

**Contact: The Parish Office**  
**[croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk)**

**Tel: Ursula – 01923 445163**

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

Provisional plans for next year are now underway, and we invite parents of children who would like to make their First Holy Communion next year to register their interest.

**A Parents Meeting will take place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm in the Hall, when applications forms will be available.**

Candidates must be 8 years of age (or older) during the current school year.

Weekly classes will take place at 4.30pm on Wednesday afternoons, commencing in January 2022, with proposed dates for the First Holy Communion Masses on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> / Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May.

All dates are subject to change if the Covid-19 situation changes.

Please contact:

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**or Tel: 01923 445163**

## THURSDAY CLUB

10am Mass each week followed by refreshments in the Hall.

Do join us for a cuppa and a chat if you have some free time on Thursday mornings.

***Everyone welcome!***

## FLOWERS IN CHURCH

As things begin to return to a more normal way of life, we are asking for volunteers to join the flower rota. We are not seeking expert flower arrangers; though they would be very welcome. A simple vase of flowers brings a touch of beauty and colour to the church. Why not come along and try your hand. Help will be available if needed. If you are interested in learning more, please contact:

**Louise – 01923 672799**

## YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

**8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020 to 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2021**

Declared by Pope Francis, in his apostolic letter 'Patris Corde', on the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the proclamation of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church.

**<https://rcdow.org.uk/faith/news/st-joseph/>**

**Novena Prayer to St Joseph from the Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis, 'Patris Corde' (With a Father's Heart)**

Hail, guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage and defend us from every evil. Amen

## VIRGIN MONEY GIVING

As you may know, Virgin Money Giving is closing down at the end of November, and we will no longer be able to receive donations in this way.

***Many thanks all who have sent donations through VMG.***

We are always grateful for your generosity, and donations can be made directly to the parish using the following bank details.

**Sort Code: 40-05-20**

**Account No: 21095560**

**Account Name:**

**WRCDDT St Bede Croxley Green**