



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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THIS PARISH IS PART OF THE WESTMINSTER ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE TRUSTEE CHARITY NO. 233699

33rd Sunday of the Year – Sunday 14th November 2021

FORTHCOMING MASSES

Thursday 18th November 10am

November Dead List

Saturday 20th November 6pm

Sunday 21st November 10am

Mass Intentions for this week

Sat 13th November 6pm

People of the parish

Sun 14th November 10am

The Wartime Dead

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

DIAL-A-MASS - 01642 130120

(local rate call)

St Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough.

MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN

This newsletter is prepared before the weekend, but our thanks in advance to all who will be coming on Saturday morning to tidy up the grounds round the church in readiness for the winter. Our thanks also to those who are organising the refreshments in the Hall after the 10am Mass this Sunday. Many parishes offer this service after their mid-morning Sunday Mass (not necessarily every Sunday, but on a regular basis) and it is good to see the custom restored here.

The second reading this weekend is the last in our series from the letter to the Hebrews. Three weeks ago we read how the author of this document presented Jesus as the great high priest appointed by God the Father. He went on to argue that the sacrifice Jesus offered on the cross made the sacrifices at the Jerusalem Temple obsolete, and compared the sacrifice of Jesus with the sacrifice offered on the Jewish day of Atonement. He concludes this argument with the passage we read this weekend: Jesus has offered one single sacrifice for human sins, and now all sins are forgiven, there is no need for sin offerings.

WESTMINSTER SYNODAL PATHWAY

Pope Francis has invited the worldwide Church to a time of listening – of listening deeply to each other as we walk side by side, telling our stories of faith.

Over the next few weeks we will be asking as many people as possible, both within and outside our parish community, to complete a simple questionnaire. The responses we receive will be collated by the Diocese and sent to Rome.

SYNOD – a late Middle English word, via late Latin, from the Greek word 'sunodos' (sun = together / hodos = way)

SYNODAL PATHWAY QUESTIONNAIRES

These will be available at church. Copies will also be available on the parish website.

You can also get involved by attending one of the Listening Events:

With Bishop Paul McAleenan

Monday 29th November: 7–9pm

at Our Lady & St Michael's Church, Crown Rise, Garston, Watford WD25 ONE

Booking is required via catadmin@rcdow.org.uk

Online Listening Events:

Monday 15th November: 7–9pm

on Zoom. Please register in advance at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/g/register/tZUKfuquqT4rGdD5tcsv85shjAs9Jlbq6JC>

Saturday 20th November:

10am-12noon on Zoom.

Please register in advance at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/g/register/tZlqduGsrT4sGNAiJVlpUkphJEhgKwmSoK0A>

Wednesday 24th November:

7–9pm on Zoom.

Please register in advance at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/g/register/tZ0qcO2qpjsiGNJarxBh9nrqBt10MHESVCK0>

SYNOD PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

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COFFEE IN THE HALL

THIS SUNDAY after 10am Mass

Join us for coffee & refreshments in the Hall. The theme will be Remembrance Day. A small donation towards the cost of refreshments would be very much appreciated.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE ON THE GREEN

Sunday 14th November – 2pm

Reverend Miriam Mugan, from All Saints Church, will conduct this service at the War Memorial on The Green.

The Chiltern Hills Brass Band will play whilst attendees gather.

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.

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!

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
lkkerry@aol.com

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.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

New volunteers to join the Flower Team are always 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**

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 1st 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
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 8th 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 7th / Sunday 8th May.

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

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YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

8th Dec 2020 to 8th Dec 2021

Declared by Pope Francis, in his apostolic letter 'Patris Corde', on the 150th 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:

WRCDT St Bede Croxley Green

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