

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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15th Sunday of the Year – Sunday 10th July 2022

MASSES

Tuesday Thursday	10.00am 10.00am
Followed by Thursday Club	
Saturday	6.00pm
Sunday	10.00am

First Sunday of the month – 4pm Sri Lankan Sinhalese Mass

Mass Intentions

Thursday 7th July – 10am Intentions of Marie Britter Saturday 9th July – 6pm Ken Shirt RIP (Int of Louise McKenna) Sunday 10th July – 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/ourwork/health-social-care/coronavirusguidelines/online-mass-directory/

REFRESHMENTS IN THE HALL THIS WEEKEND! Please join us for tea, coffee & cake in the Hall after Sunday 10am Mass.

Everyone welcome.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

Please let us know if any of your contact details have changed. Remember to check our parish website regularly for updates.

UKRAINIAN APPEAL

Much needed funds can be donated via CAFOD, a Disasters Emergency Committee member. <u>https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate</u> <u>-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-</u> <u>Humanitarian-Appeal</u> Please continue to pray for an end

to the suffering.

CAFOD AFGANISTAN APPEAL

CAFOD is combining efforts with the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) to assist the Afghanistan Crisis Appeal. Donations can be made via the CAFOD website cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal

MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN

We are near the peak of the holiday season, so I am very glad that we shall be able to gather once again for refreshments after Sunday Mass this weekend. Our renewed thanks to Sally & Frankie Blasi and their helpers for organising this.

Our second readings for the next four Sundays are from one of the least familiar, but most profound of the Pauline letters, his letter to the Colossians. Colossae was a small city in the valley of the Lycus River in Asia Minor, and a Christian community had been established there by Epaphras, a friend and follower of St Paul. Our reading this weekend is from the bestknown part of this letter, a poetic passage often thought to be adapted from a hymn to Jesus. Jesus is called the 'image', a replica of the God we cannot see: he is at the summit of creation, and is the head of the church, for the whole being of God is embodied in him.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH 150th ANNIVERSARY Flower Festival

Sat 16th July – 10am to 5pm Sun 17th July – 12noon to 5pm Entry is free, but donations will be very welcome. Anniversary Concert

Sat 16th July – 7.30pm

A selection of light classics performed by local professional and semi-professional musicians. **Tickets: £7.50** adults / £5 children under 12 yrs old **Please book in advance via:** <u>https://croxleygreenallsaints.org/</u>

ST ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Are you seeking education in a Catholic primary school for your child? We still have a small number of places available for September in our Nursery. Please register your interest ASAP. Contact: Mrs Elaine Harrold, Headteacher – 01923 226987 www.stanthonys.herts.sch.uk

'FAREWELL TO CROCKERS' SINGALONG PARTY Saturday 23rd July - 7.30pm All Saints Church Hall

All good things must come to an end and sadly that time has come for Croxley Green's community choir, 'Crockers'. We hope to go out with a bang and invite you to join us for a singalong party. Please bring your own drinks (alcoholic or otherwise). There will be lots of singing, games and a raffle.

Admission free but donations to the Parish Nurse Project would be welcome!

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Sat 16th & Sun 17th July St Joseph's Pastoral Centre, Hendon

Non-residential marriage enrichment weekend, for couples wishing to explore and affirm their relationship in a very special way. From this will come the opportunity to grow new Marriage Encounter cells in the Diocese to further enrich their relationships and witness. Further details at: <u>https://wwme.org.uk/weekend/m</u> <u>e-weekendhendon-16th-to-17th-</u> july-2022/

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS AT MASS

Our Stewards will continue to receive your donations as you leave Mass. We are very grateful for these donations, and to all who continue to support the parish financially.

If you would like to donate or set up a Bank Standing Order, please use these details:

Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account No: 21095560 Account Name:

WRCDT St Bede Croxley Green GIFT AID

Gift Aid allows charities to reclaim tax on donations made by UK taxpayers. These donations are worth 25% more to us, at no extra cost to the donor. *Please let us*

know if you would like to complete a Gift Aid declaration form.

ST JOAN OF ARC CATHOLIC SCHOOL – RICKMANSWORTH Open Evening – Thurs 6th October at 6pm Open Morning – Fri 7th October at 9am

Further details, application form and Admissions Policy available on the school website:

www.joa.herts.sch.uk email: admissions@joa.herts.sch.uk

Tel: 01923 587970

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HERTFORDSHIRE **Beautiful Minds Breakfast** Training Event – 9am to 11.30am Saturday 8th October 2022 Venue: Focolare Centre for Unity, Welwyn Garden City. Bookings are now open for this event. FREE admission with breakfast is included. Please note that booking is essential to facilitate catering and the link for bookings is below. https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/3 72193389447 Further details available from

beautifulmindsHerts@gmail.com

WORLD YOUTH DAY LISBON – AUGUST 2023

The Diocese of Westminster Youth Ministry, with support from Cardinal's Appeal, is offering a limited number of places on this pilgrimage with a 50% discount to young people between the ages of 16-25. Any 16 year olds who apply will need to be finishing year 12 by the start of World Youth Day pilgrimage. These young people will commit to a series of preparatory sessions from September 2022, to prepare them to assist in support roles during the pilgrimage, such as by acting as small group leaders, and also offer formation to them which will be helpful in living their faith post-World Youth Day. More details can be found at:

https://dowym.com/programmes /world-youth-day-leadershiptraining/

or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at: youth@rcdow.org.uk Application closing date: 31stJuly 2022.

CAFOD GAP YEAR PROGRAMME

Will You take the first Step? CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring other to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to cafod.org.uk/gapyear Contact – Tony Sheen **CAFOD Community Participation**

CATHOLIC LISTENERS

Co-ordinator

A new confidential listening helpline will launch this month. Catholic Listeners, Diocese of Westminster, has been set up for those who are returning to the faith. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. Although we are not a counselling service, we have a professional team trained on signposting to other services and agencies. Sometimes just communicating with someone who listens and understands can help clarify a way forward. Simply talking about a problem can ease a burden. We aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk. For further information please contact Ade at catholiclisteners@gmail.com or 0800 448 0704 We are here to listen!

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding and the practice of love, honesty, respect, support and accountability are essential parts of our Catholic ministry and mission. Awareness and training modules are available from EduCare (Elearning website). These are free of charge for all members of the Catholic community. If you would like to access this service or require further information, please let me know.

Ursula – 01923 445163 Parish Safeguarding Rep

CAFOD FIX THE FOOD SYSTEM The paradox of abundance

Over 800 million people go hungry each day. Yet the world produces over 4 billion tonnes of food and we only need 3.7 billion tonnes to feed everyone. From all this food produced, a third is wasted. St John Paul II called this 'the paradox of abundance.' Clearly the current global food system is not working. But as Pope Francis said, "Each of us has a role to play in transforming food systems for the benefit of people and the planet." Let's respond to his call! CAFOD's new campaign is called Fix the Food System.

See <u>www.cafod.org.uk/food</u> for more information, including an invitation for parish groups to learn about the impact of our food with our Fix the Food System: a 7station journey resource.

VINCENTIAN VOLUNTEERS Gap Year Opportunities for Young Catholics

Vincentian Volunteers are Catholic young people aged 18-35, from all over the world, who commit a year of their lives to the service of vulnerable people. During their year with us, they live in a community of three or four people and engage in voluntary work in partnership with other, well known charity organisations in order to help the impoverished, the homeless, the disabled, refugees and those suffering with addictions within the local community. We are still recruiting for 2022/23 (September 2022 to July 2023). For more details please visit: https://www.vincentianvolunteer s.org.uk/