



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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16th Sunday of the Year – Sunday 17th July 2022

MASSES

Tuesday 10.00am

Thursday 10.00am

Followed by Thursday Club

Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday 10.00am

First Sunday of the month – 4pm

Sri Lankan Sinhalese Mass

Mass Intentions

Saturday 16th July – 6pm

People of the parish

Sunday 17th July – 10am

P Red – seriously ill (Intention of the Burke Family)

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/>

REFRESHMENTS IN THE HALL

After Sunday 10am Mass

Next coffee morning will be in September – date to be announced.

SOCIAL MEDIA VOLUNTEER

Can you help?

We are looking for someone with IT knowledge who would be willing to assist with promoting our parish activities via social media. Please contact Ursula if you are able to help.

UKRAINIAN APPEAL

Much needed funds can be donated via CAFOD, a Disasters Emergency Committee member.

<https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Ukraine-Humanitarian-Appeal>

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

This weekend we congratulate Hannah Humphrey & Christopher Wells, whose marriage will take place this Saturday. Our thanks once again to Sally & Frankie Blasi and their helpers for arranging refreshments after Mass last Sunday.

The second reading this weekend is our second extract from the letter of St Paul to the Christians at Colossae. It comes just after the passage we read last weekend, where Paul was quoting an early Christian hymn in which Christ was described as the head of the church, through whom God reconciled the world to himself. Now Paul explains how his preaching and suffering contribute to this work of reconciliation. He says that he endures this suffering on behalf of the church, and sees it as part of the suffering Christ has still to undergo.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH 150th ANNIVERSARY

Flower Festival

Sat 16th July – 10am to 5pm

Sun 17th July – 12noon to 5pm

Our thanks to Louise, Pat and Nathalie, who have prepared a beautiful floral display, representing St Bede's in the festival. **We hope many of you will pay a visit. Entry is free, but donations will be very welcome.**

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.stanthonysherts.sch.uk

KEEPING IN TOUCH

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

'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!

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/372193389447>

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-leadership-training/>

or by contacting Westminster Youth Ministry at:

youth@rcdow.org.uk

**Application closing date:
31st July 2022.**

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 (E-learning 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 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 others 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
Co-ordinator**

CATHOLIC LISTENERS

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!

PARISH DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (PDC)

The PDC met with Fr John last Tuesday evening to discuss parish matters. Anyone in the parish is welcome to join this group of volunteers; please get in touch if you are interested in becoming involved in planning for the future.

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

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Parish Gardening Day

Saturday 15th October – 10am

Our annual tidy-up before the winter, with refreshments provided for the workers!