



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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

32nd Sunday of the Year – Sunday 6th November 2022

MASSES

Tuesday	10.00am
Thursday	10.00am
Saturday	6.00pm
Sunday	10.00am

Sunday 6th November – 4pm

Sri Lankan Sinhalese Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5th November 6.00pm

People of the parish

Sunday 6th November – 10am

Sheila Hourihan RIP (Int of Paul & Ursula Bartlett)

Thursday 10th 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>

MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN

As we begin the month of the Holy Souls, we may surely remember all the relatives of members of our parish community who have died recently: Richard Palman, Eileen Risdon's mother, Sheila Hourihan, and David Martin's mother, Jean.

We pray for their repose, as we pray for all the dead, and offer our condolences to all who mourn them. The traditional envelopes for the November Dead List are now available in the church porch. The second reading this weekend is our second extract from St Paul's second letter to the Christians in Thessalonika. Paul is expressing confidence that his readers will be protected from evil by the Lord God, and he asks them to pray that he will also be protected from evil men.

CONFIRMATION and FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023 APPLICATION CLOSING DATE 30th November 2022

Confirmation candidates must be at least 15 years of age this current school year (2022-23).

First Communion candidates must be at least 8 years of age during the current school year (2022-23).

Please register your interest:
croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk
or Tel: 01923 445163

THURSDAY CLUB

Whether you're retired, or just have some free time on Thursday mornings, you are very welcome to join us for **Mass at 10am**, followed by refreshments in the Hall.

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

FOODBANK

Spare carrier bags would be welcomed by our local Foodbank. Please place these in the box in the church porch, and they will be passed on.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

10am Sunday Mass – 20th Nov

Our younger members of the parish (pre-First Holy Communion age), will be invited at the beginning of Mass to proceed to the church hall (accompanied by a member of our Catechetics Team) for their own adapted liturgy, and will re-join Mass at the Offertory. Further information available from the Parish Office.

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HELP YOUR CHILDREN TO STAY FOCUSED DURING MASS

There is a selection of books on the rack in the church porch, which the children are welcome to use during Mass.

Please remember to return them before you leave.

ADVENT CALENDARS

If you are thinking of buying Advent calendars for your children, why not consider the **Real Advent Calendar?** This comes with a Christmas story activity booklet. These Advent calendars can be purchased from a number of outlets including CAFOD and Traidcraft.

A full range of Christmas gifts which support charitable causes is available from CAFOD:

<https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/products/the-real-advent-calendar>

and Traidcraft:
<https://www.traidcraftshop.co.uk/search/?q=advent%20calendar>

**Three Rivers District Council
REMBRANCE DAY AFTERNOON
TEA – Rickmansworth School
Friday 11th November – 2.30pm**

In honour of the incredible service and sacrifice of the Armed Forces, to whom we all owe so much. Some short speeches will be followed by coffee, cakes, sandwiches, music & socialising. Anyone wishing to bring a home-made cake along will be very welcome to do so.

ADMISSION BY REGISTRATION ONLY. Contact:
committeeteam@threerivers.gov.uk

SHEILA HOURIHAN RIP

Sheila's Funeral Mass will take place at St Bede's on Tuesday 8th November at 10am, followed by burial in Ireland later in the week.

Please keep Sheila's daughter, Eileen Risdon, and all the family in your prayers.

**NEXT DATE FOR
REFRESHMENTS IN THE HALL
Sunday 13th November after
10am Mass**

Everyone is invited to join us for tea/coffee & cake after Mass.

**CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S
SOCIETY CHRISTMAS CARDS**
Leaflets and details on how to order, in church porch.

CONVERSATION IN CHURCH
"My house shall be called a house of prayer" (Matt 21:13)
Please be aware that some parishioners who arrive before Mass wish to spend time in silent prayer and contemplation. While we are pleased that ours is such a friendly parish, we would ask that you refrain from general conversation within the church in order to preserve a prayerful environment.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help with the following would be very gratefully received.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Promoting the parish via platforms such as Facebook / Twitter, etc.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Carrying out and recording a simple set of H&S checks each month.

JUSTICE & PEACE REP

Liaising with the Diocese and CAFOD to pass on information and promote various campaigns, etc.

Many hands make light work.

Please let us know if you can help.

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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.

"...We need a new mind-set and a new holistic approach, and to design food systems that protect the earth and keep the dignity of the human person at the centre; that guarantee sufficient food globally and promote decent work locally; and that feed the world today, without compromising the future..." Pope Francis

There are many ways in which we can help; these include praying for solutions, and writing to the Foreign Secretary to demand change. More information at:

www.cafod.org.uk/food

6TH RICKMANSWORTH SEA

SCOUT GROUP is now welcoming new members. Please take a leaflet (in church porch) or contact Group Scout Leader - Chris Doran.

Tel: **01923 776035 / 07792 103736**

Email:

info@6thrickyseascouts.org.uk

Website:

www.6thrickyseascouts.org.uk

CAFOD - DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee) Pakistan Floods Appeal

Devastating floods have hit Pakistan, leaving millions in urgent need of help to survive. A third of the country is now underwater (an area almost the size of Great Britain). Donations will help CAFOD's local partners support communities with clean drinking water, food, emergency medical assistance and shelter.

Please pray for those affected and donate at cafod.org.uk/give

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**

CAFOD CANDLELIGHT FUNDS

A special fund in memory of a loved one who has died; providing hope for a brighter future for families around the world.

"All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle" – St Francis of Assisi.

Further details available at:

www.cafod.org.uk/candlelight

METHODIST CHURCH

New Road, Croxley Green

Sunday 20th November – 4pm

Rev Donna Fowler-Marchant invites you to a presentation based on her book **'Mothers in Israel'**; written as a result of her research into the remarkable women who were involved in early Methodism. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

PARISH GARDENING DAY

We hope to plan another gardening day before Christmas, to tidy up the grounds for the winter.

Watch this space for further details.