



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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

2nd Sunday of the Year – Sunday 15th January 2023

WEEKLY MASSES

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

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

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18th- 25th January UNITED SERVICE

Sunday 22nd January 2023 – 3pm
followed by refreshments in the Hall.

*This year the United Service will
be hosted by St Bede's. We hope
many of you will support this
important ecumenical event.*

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS THIS SUNDAY

Everyone welcome to join us for
tea/coffee and cake in the Hall
following 10am Mass.

**NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY THIS
WEEK** due to preparations for
refreshments after Mass.

ALPHA COURSE

hosted by Our Lady's Church,
Rickmansworth.

**Tuesdays: 7.30pm to 9.30pm
from 17th January to 28th March.**

An opportunity to explore life's big
questions and the Christian faith in
a friendly and informal
environment. Each session
includes snacks and hot/cold
drinks, an engaging video
designed to generate conversation,
and discussion time.

Please contact:

Deidre Gilmore – 07941 931319
or email

chessvalleyalpha@rcdow.org.uk
to register your interest.

GIFT AID

Did you know donations to the
parish can be increased by 25%
through Gift Aid? If you are a UK
tax payer, you can sign a Gift Aid
declaration form, enabling the
parish to claim the additional 25%,
at no additional expense to you.
Forms available from the parish
office.

MESSAGE FROM FR JOHN

Many thanks to Louise and her
helpers who prepared the splendid
New Year Lunch for the Thursday
Club last week.

This weekend we pray for the
children who will be formally
enrolled as candidates for First
Confession and First Holy
Communion at Mass this Sunday.
We renew our thanks to Anna
Borrill and the Catechetical Team
for their work in preparing the
children; and to Sally & Frankie
Blasi and helpers for organising the
refreshments in the Hall after
Sunday Mass.

The annual Week of Prayer for
Christian Unity begins on
Wednesday 18th January. This
year it is the turn of St Bede's to
host the main United Service, and
Christians from all the churches in
Croxley will be coming to our
church next Sunday, 22nd January,
at 3pm to pray for peace in Ukraine
and throughout the world. We hope
many of you will be able to come
and welcome our guests from the
Anglican, Baptist and Methodist
communities.

WARM SPACE – 2.30 to 4.30pm ON THURSDAYS in the Hall

Everyone is welcome to our Warm
Space on Thursday afternoons.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for the following dates:

9th, 16th, 23rd February

to make tea/coffee, and provide a
warm welcome for visitors.

If you can help, please contact:

Ursula – 01923 445163

croxleygreen@rcdow.org.uk

BAPTISM

Congratulations to the parents of
Cora Lyons, who was baptised at
St Bede's on 7th January. We
welcome her into the family of God,
and pray that she will always be
blessed.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

**Our Stewards will continue to
receive donations as you leave
Mass.** We are very grateful to all
who continue to support the parish
finances.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

PARISH GARDENING DAY

Saturday 28th January 2023

Please come along to help with
pruning and tidying the parish
grounds. Refreshments will be
provided for the workers!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

Next preparation class:

Wednesday 18th January – 4.30pm

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.***

THURSDAY CLUB

Join us for tea/coffee & cake in the
Hall after 10am Mass. Everyone
welcome.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION VOLUNTEERING FOR CAFOD

CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development,
are looking people join us in our
mission here in the Westminster
diocese. Could you volunteer and
help us raise awareness in either
parishes or schools about our work
across the developing world
tackling poverty and injustice. Find
out more by joining one of our
volunteer meetings in Lambeth
London on Saturday 21st January
or Oakwood, North London on
Wed 1st February.

Contact: Tony Sheen

westminster@cafod.org.uk

Landline: 0208 449 6970

Mobile: 07789 876913

FOODBANK

Spare carrier bags can be placed
in the box in the church porch and
will be passed on to our local
Foodbank.

PARISH ACCOUNTS REPORT to 31st December 2021

This document has been posted on
the parish website.

Paper copies available on request.

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

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