

## **CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE**

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4th Sunday of Lent Sunday 10th March 2024

#### WEEKLY MASSES

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

Mass intentions
Sunday 10th Mare

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 10.00am Bill Adams (RIP)

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March

10.00am

First Holy Communion Rite of Election

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

After 6pm Mass on Saturdays. PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no further Stations of the Cross on Friday afternoons due to lack of support.

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Good Friday - 11.15am

### **EASTER**

Maundy Thursday 28th March – 7.30pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Good Friday 29th March – 9.30am

# CHURCHES TOGETHER GOOD FRIDAY PROCESSION from

junction of Watford Road & Winton Approach to New Road Methodist Church

Good Friday
29th March – 11.15am
CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE
CROSS The children of the parish
are especially invited to join us, but
everyone is welcome!

Good Friday 29th March – 3pm LITURGY OF THE PASSION Holy Saturday 30th March – 8pm EASTER VIGIL MASS Easter Sunday 31st March – 10am EASTER DAY MASS

## REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 10am MASS

Next date for refreshments will be Sunday 17th March, when we will be celebrating St Patrick's Day!

#### THURSDAY CLUB

All are welcome to join us on Thursday mornings for tea/coffee & cake in the Hall, following 10am Mass

### CAFOD BIG LENT WALK Saturday 16th March – 10am

A group of us will be taking a 5km walk round Croxley Green, in support of CAFOD's vital work.

Meet at St Bede's at 10am.

If you are unable to join us,

Please sponsor us. An excellent idea for your Lenten sacrifice this year!

Donations can be made via the Digital Collection Plate (DCP) in the church porch, or by cash, or cheque (payable to St Bede's Church), in a sealed envelope marked BIG LENT WALK, and placed in the collection after Mass.

# CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT COURSE – Each

Wednesday during Lent – 2pm & 7.30pm Weds 13th March St Bede's Church

Theme 'Jesus the image of God'

Weds 20th March
Croxley Methodist Church
Theme 'Blessed are the meek'

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024 Next preparation class: Weds 13th March at 4.30pm

### CONFIRMATION 2024 Next preparation class: Weds13th March at 7pm

Please keep all our First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates in your prayers.

## HELP YOUR CHILDREN TO STAY FOCUSED IN MASS

Feel free to borrow books from the rack in the church porch during Mass. *Please remember to return these on your way out!* 

#### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

10am Sunday Mass
The Children will be escorted to the hall for their own liturgy and will return to mass before the Consecration.

## CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Catholic Children's Society would like to Thank the Parishioners of St Bede for your generous support this year and for your donation of £933.54 Thank you so much for we are grateful for your kind gift and support.

#### **GIFT AID**

Your donations to the parish can be increased by 25%? If you are a UK tax payer, you can sign a Gift Aid declaration, enabling the parish to claim an additional 25% on your donations, at no additional expense to you. Forms available in the church porch or from the parish office.

#### **CROXLEY COMMUNITY CHOIR**

Holy Rood Church, Watford Wednesday 20th March – 7.45pm 'A Feast of Fauré'; the Requiem, Pavane, Cantique de Jean Racine and other works. Tickets: £15 (accompanied under-18s free of charge), in support of Rennie Grove Peace Hospice, and the Society of St Vincent de Paul. Refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards.

Ticket sales: 07858 210168 or choir.cgcc@gmail.com
Tickets also available from June Jones.

## CHURCHES TOGETHER WELCOME SPACES

Following on from our Warm Spaces initiative last winter, we have been exploring more effective ways to offer a warm welcome this year, and it was decided that tapping into existing activities may be the best option. Posters are on display, advertising the following opportunities:

Mondays at Café O – 8.45am to 11.45am at St Oswald's Church, Malvern Way.

Fridays at the Drop in Café – 10.30am to 12noon at All Saints Church, The Green.

### **CONTACTLESS GIVING**

Please make use of our DCP (Digital Collection Plate) in the church porch.

Donations to the parish, Mass Intentions, and payments for items from the Repository (SHOP), etc., can be made with your debit/credit cards. There is also a Gift Aid option (where appropriate), which requires a one-time-only registration for each card used. If you have any difficulties or queries, please speak to one of the Parish Team.

# ST BEDE'S GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

The re-organisation of the Garden of Remembrance is currently a project in progress.

Our plans to install a display board recording the names of those interred will be taken forward as soon as parish finances permit. In the meantime, thank you to those who have been in contact. We will keep your details on file and let you know when we are ready to take the next step.

6<sup>TH</sup> RICKMANSWORTH SEA SCOUT GROUP welcomes 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

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

Safeguarding and the practice of love, honesty, respect, support and accountability are essential parts of our Catholic ministry and mission. All people should be valued, supported and protected from harm, and we recognise the personal dignity and rights of vulnerable people towards whom the church has a special responsibility. If you have any concerns, or would like to know more please contact: Ursula Bartlett - 07771 578562 croxleygreensg@safeguardrcdow. org.uk Further information available at https://rcdow.org.uk/safeguarding/c reating-a-safe-environment/

CROXLEY PARISH NURSES 'Let's Talk About Mental Health'

A series of drop-ins about Mental Health on the following dates: Fri 23rd Feb – Depression Fri 22nd Mar – Anxiety & Stress Fri 26th Apr – Bipolar Disorder Fri 24th May – Self Harm Fri 28th June – M/health First Aid

Venue: All Saints Church Committee Meeting Room

Time: 12.30 to 2pm
with tea/coffee & biscuits
Contact: Ruth Owusu-Ansah
croxleyparishnurseruth@gmail.c
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Tel: 07305 084948

## THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MATRIMONY

A Mass for Couples celebrating 5<sup>th</sup>,10<sup>th</sup>,25<sup>th</sup>,30<sup>th</sup> 40<sup>th</sup> 50<sup>th</sup> 60<sup>th</sup> and 60+

Cardinal Vincent Nichols would like to invite married couples from the Parish who are celebrating a particular anniversary during 2024. To Join him at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm. During the mass couples will be invited to renew their marital commitment to one another. Any couples wishing to attend this mass please contact the parish office before Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **MISSIO RED BOXES**

Many thanks to those who have red boxes. We are now collecting them for collecting. The Spring of 2024 "Mission Today" Magazine are now available at the back of the Church. Please help yourself to a copy.

#### **CROXLEY REVELS**

Saturday 22nd June
Although some way off, we need to
think of some ideas for a stall, if St
Bede's is to be represented on the
Green this year. Your ideas and
offers of help are needed!
Please speak to one of the
Parish Team

### NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER NEEDED FOR THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

We are urgently seeking one more new member for the Finance Committee, to assist with decision making and financial planning for the future of the parish. A financial background is not a necessity. Committee meetings take place four times a year. Please speak to Fr John or one of the Parish Team if you can help.

### **CAFOD**

Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal Thank you to all parishioners at St Bede for your generous support and your donation of £100. Thank

you so much for being there for our

global family.

#### **DEMENTIA AWARENESS**

At the recent meeting arranged by the Croxley Parish Nurses, we learnt a great deal about how dementia affects our lives, and were requested to be aware of those who may need additional care and consideration in our church congregations. For information, support and advice please visit:

www.alzheimers.org.uk Dementia Support Line: 0333 150 3456