



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST BEDE

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Palm Sunday – Sunday 24th March 2024

WEEKLY MASSES

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

Mass Intentions

Sunday 24th March 10.00am

Joseph Kulanthai RIP

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 WALK OF WITNESS

Meet at junction of **Watford Road & Winton Approach**. Proceed to rear of **Croxley Baptist Church** (via Winton Approach, Winton Drive, Girton Way, Lancing Way, Sherborne Way. Proceed to **Croxley Library** (via Barton Way). Proceed 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 LAST SUNDAY MASS

Many thanks to Sally & Frankie and their team for the delicious refreshments on St Patrick's Day, complete with Irish coffees! Our thanks also to Stephen, Mike, Clem and Paul for the musical entertainment that was enjoyed by all. Next refreshments after 10am Sunday Mass – 21st April.

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

Many thanks to Fabian, Rob, June, Chris, John C, Paul & Ursula, who participated in the recent 5km walk round Croxley Green, in support of CAFOD's vital work.

"We set off, having had our photo taken by Fr John; stopping along the way at each of the Croxley Churches, where willing passers-by happily took snap shots for us! We were back at St Bede's in under an hour and a half; ready for a welcome cup of coffee! Thank you to Fabian for co-ordinating it all".

It's not too late to sponsor them! Donations can be made up until Easter, 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 aft

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024

Next preparation class:

Weds 17th April at 4.30pm

Parents Meeting:

Weds 17th April at 7.30pm

CONFIRMATION 2024

Next preparation class:

Tuesday 19th March at 7pm

NO PREPARATION CLASSES

ON Weds 20th March

EASTER RAFFLE

Tickets will soon be on sale for our Easter Raffle. £5 per strip (£1 per ticket.) We have some lovely prizes to be won. Proceeds to support essential maintenance and repair work.

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.

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.

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.

Date for your diary PARISH GROUNDS MAINTENANCE DAY

Saturday 27th April – 10am
Please come along to help with gardening and various other tasks that need to be carried out. Refreshments will be provided for the workers!

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/creating-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
croxleyparishnursesruth@gmail.com**
Tel: 07305 084948

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MATRIMONY

A Mass for Couples celebrating 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th 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 25th 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 8th 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

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**

Thank you

Grateful thanks to the anonymous Parishioner who donated £50.00 towards flowers for the church for Easter. Thank you for this generosity.