

<i>MASSES:-</i>	<i>SATURDAY</i>	6.00pm	Joseph Sydney Tambyapin	
	<i>SUNDAY</i>	8.30am	Holy souls	
		10.00am	Mrs. E. M. Morris – 9 th anniv.	
		11.30am	Agnes Fernandes – anniv. (best mum)	
		6.30pm	Parishioners	
<i>MON</i>	8.15am	Mrs. Ritina Maria D’Silva – 90 th birthday		
	10.30am	Susie de Souza (Roopnarine)		
<i>TUE</i>	<i>10am Mass at Our Lady of the Angels for Dec’d Clergy of the Deanery</i>			
<i>WED</i>	8.15am	Holy souls		
	10.30am	Elizabeth Walk		
<i>THU</i>	9.30am	Dec’d mem. Rodrigues & Gomes family		
<i>FRI</i>	9.30am	Anna Maria & Giacomo Chiosso	<i>Exposition after Mass</i>	
	7.00pm	Fr. Auson Kamugisha – well-being (Holy Cross)	<i>Exposition after Mass</i>	
<i>SAT</i>	10.30am	Holy souls		
	11.00 – 11.30am and 4.00 – 4.30pm Confessions			
	6.00pm	Oliver Kinahan		
<i>SUN</i>	8.30am	Annie Conlon		33 rd Sunday Year A
<i>19th</i>	10.00am	Parishioners		
	11.30am	Holy souls		
	6.30pm	Holy souls		

Today We Welcome the uniformed groups at 10am Mass for the Remembrance Day Church Parade. Their presence helps to us pay respect to all those who have died in war, to pray for their souls and for peace. After Mass they will be selling tea/coffee and cakes in the parish hall. All profits to Help for Heroes charity.

Christmas Bazaar is next Saturday (18th) at 11am. A reminder to stall holders that the hall will be open from 12.30pm on Friday 17th for setting up, and all to arrive on the Saturday by 9.30am please. Cakes and other perishable items can be left at the presbytery on Friday or brought in on the day. We hope to see you all there for this great parish event.

Christmas Raffle: Thank you to all for taking raffle tickets to sell to family & friends. Please could you return monies and counterfoils in a sealed envelope to the presbytery as soon as possible. Please return any unsold tickets to the presbytery so we can sell them at the bazaar, where the draw will be made.

Parish Christmas Meal at Aylesford 6th December: Thank you for the deposits & menu choices received. A reminder that the balance (£23) is to be paid by 1st December – cash or cheques in a sealed envelope with your name on it to the presbytery please. Many thanks.

Blessing of Graves: Fr John Diver will lead the service at Kemnal Park, off A20 from Sidcup towards Eltham Fiveways, on 19th November at 2.30pm. There will be refreshments after.

Bexley Foodbank are collecting items for Christmas. They specifically need Christmas cake, mince pies, tinned ham, children's selection packs, large bars of chocolate, boxes of biscuits, boxes of chocolates, snacks/nibbles, small jars of coffee, sugar & long-life fruit juice. Food is a big part of our Christmas celebrations; let's help a struggling family enjoy Jesus' birth as much as we will. Please help if you can. Thank you.

The Pilgrim newspaper for our diocese is out now 50p. Available in the porch

November Remembrance – A bowl is in front of the altar for the month of November in which you can put names of the departed to be prayed for.

Confirmation Leaders Our Confirmation course is starting in February; and we are looking for some more leaders/helpers to encourage these young Catholics in their faith. Please speak to Fr. Jim.

St Stephen's 2018 Diaries are available at the back of the church (£1). Please put money in the box on the wall above the lost property shelf

National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress Liverpool, 7th – 9th September 2018. The bishops have planned this to promote a greater understanding of and devotion to the Mass and the Blessed Sacrament in our parishes and schools. It is not just a one-off event, but a process of renewal during the coming year. Each parish is invited to send two people to attend and bring back the fruits of the Congress.

Many Thanks for last Sunday's collection: £1175.25. The retiring collection towards the expenses of the bazaar came to £194.32. Today the second collection is for the Archbishops Administration Fund.

Variety Concert at St Thomas More's Church, Long Lane, Bexleyheath, in the parish hall on Saturday 25th November at 7.45pm. There will be a variety of musical contributions from St Stephen's, as well as St Thomas More's, parishioners. Adults £5, children £3. The money raised is for the Fr Francis Fund - to support the education of girls in Ghana. If you would like to reserve seats (table seating with licensed bar) please contact Gwen on 020 8306 7615 (gwen@chiosso.co.uk).

CAFOD World Gifts catalogue is available on the table in the porch. Give life-changing gifts and celebrate the true spirit of Christmas.

The Gifts of Old Age: Mental wellbeing, spirituality and older people 2nd Dec at St Mary's University, Twickenham. 9.30am – 4pm. A day exploring the integration of mental health and the spiritual life, bringing together older people and those who care for them: Keynote by Paul Farmer CEO of Mind. Contact inspire@stmarys.ac.uk or www.stmarys.ac.uk/inspire. Tickets: www.ticketsource.co.uk/event/178798. £35 - including a buffet lunch. In collaboration with The Catholic Bishops of England & Wales.

Film Evening on Wed 15th Nov when movies on St John of the Cross, Spanish mystic, reformer of the Carmelites and Doctor of the Church; and St John Vianney, patron saint of parish priests, and renowned for his priestly and pastoral work will be shown in St John Fisher Bexley Church Hall, free admission, light refreshments will be served, bar open & charity stall. All welcome. Arrivals 7pm for 7:30 pm start.

Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Kidbrooke SE3 9YX require a *KSI Teacher* to join them in January 2018 and a *Teaching Assistant* to join them, initially until July 2018. Application forms available on <http://www.holyfamily.greenwich.sch.uk/vacancies/> or contact the school office on 020 8856 2708. Closing date for both applications 24th November 2017.

St John's Seminary have a range of Christmas cards available in packs of ten, with two of each design (see poster). Each pack £5. Email: gullifordjoseph@gmail.com to place your order. Delivery in late November.

The Winter Night Shelter for "rough sleepers" will be opening again on 3rd Jan until 24th/25th Mar 2018. Volunteers are needed for three shifts; 7pm – 10.30pm, 10pm – 6.30am and 6am - 8.30am. Both new and previous volunteers need to enrol by coming along to **one** of the training meetings at Welling Baptist Church, Axminster Crescent, Welling, DA19 1HF – on Wed 15th Nov 7.30 -9.30pm **or** Sat 25th Nov 2pm -5pm. Attendance is required for acceptance as a volunteer. Email BWNS18@outlook.com to confirm attendance.

More Dates for your Diary

12th Nov: Service of Remembrance and Requiem Mass at St George's Cathedral 11.30am

12th Nov: Divine Mercy Retreat at Church of the Resurrection of Our Lord, Sydenham 2.15pm

12th Nov: Cemetery Visits: Plumstead 1pm, Bexleyheath and Hillview 2.30pm, Brook Street Erith 3.15pm.

13th & 27th Nov: Line Dancing in the hall 1.45pm £4pp All welcome.

17th Nov: Charismatic Prayer Meeting at 8.15pm in the chapel. All welcome.

20th Nov: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in the small hall 8.15pm – All welcome

25th Nov: Open Day at Christ the King 6th Form (Aquinas, Brockley) 10am – 1.30pm www.ctksfc.ac.uk

28th Nov: An Advent reflection in art by Dr Mark Nash 7-9pm at CCF, Tooting Bec SW17

3rd Dec: Parish Coffee Morning after 8.30 & 10am Masses

3rd Dec: Santa Dash at Danson Park 10am Register at www.communityhospice.org.uk 02083199230

4th Dec: Police Community Christmas Carol Concert at Trinity Baptist Church, Bexleyheath 7.30pm. Free entrance.