



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Baptism of the Lord
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Holy Sacraments at Holy Cross*

The last date to submit your application is 17th January [Sunday].
 * From February, classes will be via Zoom.
 * From 17th April (after the Easter holidays) we hope to have regular classes at Hartley Hall.
 * In October, we shall have the celebrations of the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Mass Intentions: There are envelopes available in the porch to request Masses for your loved ones' anniversaries, birthdays, get well wishes, exam success, thanksgiving and so on. Kindly complete the envelope and hand it over to a Welcome Minister or to Fr Antony.

Please pray for sick: Myra Hannon, Kaye Gray, Melanie Thomas, Lydia Joseph, Pat Vessey, John Conway, Gala Lobo, Mary Emmanus, Pat Doyle, Tommy Murphy and Alan Durkin. If you want the parish community to pray for the sick members of your family and to be added in the newsletter, please send us an email.

Church Care Team maintains and cleans the church every Saturday from 10am. Many thanks to their dedicated mission to keep our church clean and tidy. Please join them if you can.

To Baptize your Child, please contact Fr Antony and collect an application after one of our weekday Masses or come at 10 am to the sacristy on Monday or Friday. Only six people are allowed to attend the celebration during this lockdown.

School Applications: Fr Antony will be available in the Church on Monday and Friday this week between 10:00 and 10:15 am to discuss your School Application Supplementary Forms. Please use the side door adjacent to Holy Cross School [only via Culverley Road entrance], as the main doors of the church will remain locked during

The Baptism of the Lord - Feast



Today let us do honour to Christ's baptism and celebrate this feast in holiness. Be cleansed entirely and continue to be cleansed. Nothing gives such pleasure to God as the conversion and salvation of men, for whom his every word and every revelation exist. He wants you to become a living force for all mankind, lights shining in the world. You are to be radiant lights as you stand beside Christ, the

great light, bathed in the glory of him who is the light of heaven. You are to enjoy more and more the pure and dazzling light of the Trinity, as now you have received – though not in its fullness – a ray of its splendour, proceeding from the one God, in Christ Jesus our Lord, to whom be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

[From a sermon by Saint Gregory Nazianzen]

A Time to be Proud: A Letter received from the Mayor's Office

*Dear Holy Cross Church,
 Re: Mayor's Awards 2020*

The Mayor's Award scheme was launched in 2017 to recognise those who live, work or study in Lewisham who give time and support voluntarily to benefit others in our borough. This year we are recognizing the amazing contribution of so many people who have played a role in the borough's community response to COVID-19.

I am delighted to inform you that you have been nominated as someone who has made a difference during the coronavirus pandemic.

Congratulations and thank you.

On behalf of the Mayor and your fellow citizens I wish to thank you most sincerely for your contribution. You help make Lewisham a special borough characterised by neighbourliness, caring and a strong sense of community.

Yours sincerely, Cllr Joan Millbank, Chair, Mayor's Awards Panel 2020

[More information to follow.]

R.I.P. : We ask for your prayers for the peaceful repose of the soul of one of our parishioners, William Benzynie who passed away recently. Please keep William and his family in your prayers during this difficult time.

Please also continue to pray for Brian Conroy, whose funeral will take place on Friday 15th January.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

If you want to participate the Sunday Masses, kindly send an email with your full name and the number of people participating in the Mass to catford@rcaos.org.uk

SAT 7:00pm	Church Open – booking needed	<i>The Baptism of the Lord</i> Brian Conroy R.I.P.
SUN 09:00am	Church Open – booking needed	Tom & Brendan Kilcoyne R.I.P.
	11:30am Church Open – booking needed	Michael & Sandra Brady - Wellbeing
MON 07:00pm	(Via Zoom)	Thierry Christian-Gnanakumar R.I.P.
TUE 10:00am	(Via Zoom)	Theresa Green R.I.P.
WED 10:00am	(Via Zoom)	Gus & Maddie Byrne - Wellbeing
THU 10:00am.	(Via Zoom)	<u>People of the Parish</u>
FRI 7:00pm	(Via Zoom)	Audrie Fitzsimons - Wellbeing
SAT 7:00pm	under review	Brian Conroy R.I.P.
SUN 09:00am	under review	Cris Priollo R.I.P.
	11:30am under review	Maria & Anthony Zammit R.I.P.

