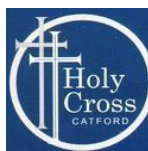


HOLY CROSS CHURCH



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MASS TIMES

Monday-Thursday: 9.15am
Friday 8pm
Saturday: 6.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday: 10.00am & 11.30am
Reconciliation: Saturday 6pm

HARTLEY HALL

PARISH COMMUNITY CENTRE
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TWINNING PROJECTS

Our Lady, help of Christians, Beulieu, Grenada
The Community of Ahotokurom, Ghana.
www.ahoto.org

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Special Ministers of Holy Communion

This weekend 1st Sunday (1st/2nd September)

6.30pm Lesley Allen, Pat Monaghan, Neville Fernandes

1) Malcolm Jones 2) Eunice Conroy P) Pat Barber

10am Iotha Lorde, Marigold Okor, Kathleen O'Sullivan, Shirine Sukran, Rafel Skrzyp

1) Amos Kong 2) Ben Travers P) Rob Dunbar

11.30am Jude Ibe, Anne Mellis, Cynthia Myers, Emanuele Vitale, Franck Anguibi

1) Ngozi Adedji, 2) Lisa O'Hara 3) Vacant

Next weekend 2nd Sunday (8th/9th September)

6.30pm Myra Hannon, Mariam Philomin, Prema Louth.

1) UCM, 2) UCM, P) UCM

10am Joe Baptiste, Caroline Cleary, Ossie Folkes, Cyril Mbaeri, Ray Williams.

1) Kimberley Kong, 2) Ashley Lench P) Christina S

11.30 Jerome, Adedji, Mary Lewis, Vincent Okonji, John Walsh, Rosa Candita Simpkins.

1) Elsa Pascal, 2) Frank Afful, P) Michelle Mbaeri

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Sat 6.30 Mr & Mrs Marianagam's 60th wedding

Sun **22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time**
(1st/2nd September)

10.00 John Hughes *RIP* (Lewis)

11.30 TG Luxshan & Saathvika Edward

St Gregory the Great. Pope. Doctor of the Church

Mon 9.15 John Foley *RIP* (Cleary)

Tue 9.15 Felix Rajan Thanasingham *RIP*

Wed 9.15 Deceased members of the Parish (F)

Thur 9.15 Sheila Erhart *RIP* (Baldwin)

Fri 7.30 Exposition
8pm May Monaghan *RIP*

Sat 6.30 Pat Pead wellbeing (UCM)

Sun **23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time**
(8th/9th September)

10.00 Pat Doyle (Monaghan)

11.30 Priest's Intention

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS

....has been in Hartley Hall while church refurbishment has been going on.

We hope to return to the church by the middle of this coming week. If you are an occasional weekday mass visitor or have been away then please visit the hall to check if when you arrive the church is locked on a weekday morning.

Toddler Liturgy is back in the hall! All toddlers must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FORMS

Application forms are now available on the Parish website:

www.holycross-catford.org.uk

You will find the link halfway down the left hand side of the homepage: Holy Communion

The closing date for applications is the 17th September.

Having submitted your application, Baptism certificates and payment will be needed at the introductory meeting on 24th September.

SVP KERALA FLOOD APPEAL

The St Vincent de Paul Society is running a national appeal to raise funds for the flood disaster in Kerala, southern India, which has killed hundreds and displaced around a million people. Kerala is the most Christian state in India. Christianity arrived there when St Thomas the Apostle visited in 52 AD. It has the largest number of churches in India and the SVP has more than 36,000 members in Kerala. The Church and the SVP have been playing a major role in assisting the many thousands of people who have suffered loss in the floods; the monsoon season is set to continue until early September. Please contribute to this SVP appeal by donating to this weekend's second collections and joining us for a fundraising Coffee Morning after 10am Mass on Sunday (2nd September).

Donations may also be made via the SVP website www.svp.org.uk, or cheques made payable to SVP Twinnage can be sent directly to - SVP Twinnage Disaster Fund. PO Box 318. Whitstable. CT5 9BS

Please remember our sisters and brothers in Kerala in your prayers.

LEWISHAM DEANERY – SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE.

Over the coming year each parish will present a prayer opportunity for the 10 parishes within our deanery. Events will offer a different spiritual experience, followed by the opportunity to meet with parishioners from across the deanery, over a cup of tea.

The first event of the year long Spiritual Pilgrimage takes place from 4pm to 5pm on Saturday 15th September at St William of York Forest Hill 4 Brockley Park, SE23 1PS 020 8690 4549. Other events are arranged to take place over the rest of the year.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR SPECIAL MINISTERS - SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2018

The Annual Lewisham Deanery Day of Recollection for Special Ministers will take place at Good Shepherd Downham on **Saturday 6th October** from 10.00am - 12.00, with refreshments from 9.30.

Special Ministers are reminded that when they renew their commitment at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday they promise to attend a Day of Recollection

in the coming 12 months. Saturday 6th October is a golden opportunity to fulfil this request from the Archbishop.

Please contact St William of York, Forest Hill parish office to register your attendance by email

foresthill@rcaos.org.uk

READERS AND SPECIAL MINISTERS

The Annual day of Recollection at Bishop Thomas Grant is on Saturday 17th November. Details to follow but save the date!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

If you wish to have your baby baptised then please complete an application form for the next preparation course.

These can be found in the yellow folder on the table next to the Lourdes grotto or you can download them from the website.

Please provide a copy of the long version of your baby's birth certificate together with a copy of your own baptism certificate.

Once the office has all these documents you will be invited on to the next preparation course.

The deadline for the September course is 4th September. Any further queries please contact the Parish office.

THE SCATTERING

If you let Fr Doug borrow this marvellous book then please make yourself known to him as he would like to return it.

A REALLY BIG THANK YOU

Lesley Allen wishes to thank all at Holy cross for giving of their time and talents so generously at the "Holiday at Home" three weeks of activities for older people and those living with dementia this summer at Brownhill Baptist church hall, St Andrews church hall and the finale week at Hartley hall.

230 people attended over the course of the week at Hartley hall and 23 people volunteered led by the fantastic team of yellow coats who were there every day. Some of our wonderful young people from the parish YSVP and other young people from the parish were a huge asset to the week's fun.

A big thanks to Remo Finaldi and family for leading a wonderful concert of Italian songs and flamenco dancing and to Gwen Williams for making hundreds of delicious cakes, George and Sheila Mascall for generously providing 80 portions of pie and mash from their family business, and Tony Green for playing everyone in and out with his accordion each day, Patrick Sullivan for taking hundreds of photos, those who gave their time to wash up, set up, clear up, provide technical support, drive people and of course Fr Doug for being a good sport and dressing up as Elvis for our rock and roll finale day.

Well done everyone for a successful ecumenical three weeks.

DIARY DATES

Lourdes Pilgrimage 7th-14th September

Parish office closed during pilgrimage
(Re-opens 17th September)

Adoremus 7th-9th September

Closing date for First Holy Communion forms to be registered via website (Monday 17th September)

Fr Doug's last weekend in Holy Cross
15th/16th September

Parent & Toddler returns 17th September
(One week late due to parish pilgrimage)

Diamond club returns 17th September
(One week late due to parish pilgrimage)

Mass of Thanksgiving for Ghana

Saturday 29th September 2pm

followed by refreshments in the hall

Fr Doug's farewell celebration 6th October

(Replaces Parish Feast celebration)

Fr Doug's Induction at his new parish

St John Fisher, Bexley. Friday 26th October

Fr Anthony's Induction at Holy Cross

Sunday 4th November 5pm.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 1/2, 2018

In the reading from the letter of St. James we are urged to be "doers" of the Gospel, not just listeners. Being a "steward" of God's Word is a matter of listening to the Good News, embracing the Good News and putting the Good News into action in our day-to-day lives. And whenever we are uncertain as to what decisions to make or actions to take as good stewards of the Gospel, St. James reminds us: We can never go wrong if we resist popular values that are not compatible with the Gospel, and we come to the aid of those who are burdened, distressed and poor.