

PARISH PRIEST: Fr Michael Jones
Email: michaeljones@rcaos.org.uk
ASSISTANT PRIEST: Fr Luke Malunze
Email: lukemalunze@rcaos.org.uk
PARISH SECRETARY: CATH BIRD
Parish Office Email bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk
Parish Website: www.StJohnVianney-Bexleyheath.org
Tel: 020 8303 1957

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES:
CATH BIRD
Email: bexleyheathsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk
Tel: 07444 060578
LENA PETT
Email: bexleyheathsg3@safeguardrcaos.org.uk
Tel: 07444 060577

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) (PAGE 139)

Sunday 16th February
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Racial Justice Day
 08.30 Mass for Barnabus John RIP (Kennedy) (Fr M)
 Half Term – **No** First Communion session or
 Children's Liturgy
 10.30 Mass for Catarina Martins RIP (Bird) (Fr L)
 Refreshments in hall after Mass
 17.30 Mass for John Pacheco RIP (Anniv) (Pererira)
 (Fr M)

Monday 17th February
The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
No Mass

Tuesday 18th February **Feria**
 09.00 Mass for Chris Rixon RIP (Baldwin) &
 Milo Kelly RIP (Anniv) (Fr L)

Wednesday 19th February **Feria**
 09.00 Mass for Delma Dwyer RIP (Burke) (Fr L)

Thursday 20th February **Feria**
 09.00 Mass for Marion Beedle RIP (Atmore) (Fr L)

Friday 21st February
Saint Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
No 9am Mass
 11.00 Funeral Mass for Gino Petrozzi RIP followed
 by Cremation at Eltham at 1.00pm (Fr M)
 15.30 Liturgy Meeting (hall)

Saturday 22nd February
Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle
 10.00 Mass for Deceased Members of Wallbank
 Family (Foundation) (Fr L)
 Confessions until 11.00am
 12.30 Baptism of Florence Eve Joyce Thackray
 (Fr M)

Sunday 23rd February
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 08.30 Mass for Sean McCann RIP (Burke) (Fr L)
 10.00 First Communion Session
 10.30 Mass for Mark White RIP (Keates) (Fr M)
 Children's Liturgy
 17.30 Mass for Terrine John RIP (Kennedy) (Fr L)

Retiring collection for the Clergy Support Fund

Today is Racial Justice Sunday and is the day the Church focuses on the need to oppose racism and celebrates the diversity we are blessed with in the Archdiocese.

Next Sunday (23rd) there is a retiring collection for The Clergy Support Fund: This fund enables the Archdiocese of Southwark to care for clergy in their retirement, old age, and at their time of ill health, after their lifetime of service and devotion to Christ, his Church and his people. Donations ensure a dignified retirement for all of our priests.

Called to Bear Fruit: Thank you to the 22 parishioners who joined our meeting on Tuesday. It was a useful discussion and from this we were able to form 4 groups, which will meet in the next couple of weeks and go through the booklet answering the questions. We can then put together a report to send to the Diocese. Thank you once again for giving up your time and helping with this. Cath

Congratulations to Elizabeth [Betty] Patricia Jefferies and Winnie Darling McDonagh who were baptised last weekend.

Baptism Buddy: Fr Michael needs help for the Baptism next Saturday 22nd February at 12.30pm. Please speak to him or email bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk if you are able to assist. Thank you.

Help to open the Repository: We are fortunate to have a shop at St John Vianney where we sell various religious items including Missals, Rosaries, many cards, religious books for children, candles, First Communion and Confirmation gifts too. However, we need people to open the shop at 8.30am and 10.30am Mass on Sundays please. It's very straightforward and gives us a little income. Please speak to either Fr Michael, Fr Luke or Cath or email: bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk if you can help. Thank you in advance.



Thrifty Threads – Second Look Styles **A social evening for all the ladies**

We are looking for donations of good quality ladies' clothes to recycle and re-sale. There is a separate collection box in the porch for donations. We will be hosting another evening on Saturday 22nd February at 7pm in the Church Hall and invite all the ladies to join us for a lovely social evening, a chance to browse in a relaxed atmosphere, and the opportunity to grab a few bargains. All monies raised goes to charity.

On this occasion, we would like to raise money for Age Exchange. Age Exchange, with Community Integrated Care, has a unique mission to bring arts, culture and creative expression into the lives of thousands of people who draw upon social care, live with dementia and face isolation.



St John Fisher, Bexley is holding the following day "St Paul, His Life, Faith & Legacy. Presented by Brian Purfield on Saturday 22nd February 10.00am to 3.00pm

Please pray for the sick and those in special need of your prayers: Stelian, Claire Wansbury, Mary McGinty, Alan and Rene Fisher, Baby Jemima Rita James, Fr Jeff, Shirley Angerer, Josephine Treloar, Jacqueline Downey, Steve Smith, Annie and Gerry McDonagh Snr, Gerry McDonagh Jnr and Martin McDonagh, Keith Smith, Samantha Butler, Carole, Dean McClumpha, Mrs Chris Lynch, Ashleigh, Fr Michael, Kathy Blakemore, Kirsty, Robin Robinson, Alice, John Moore, Pauline Viegas, Deirdre Collins, Susan Dassanyake, Nuala Pawley, Helena Riley, Richard Whiteside, Sally Pain, Florrie Pereira, Fr John Ryan (former Parish Priest of Crayford), Jo O'Donnell, Matthew Butler, Nadia Sheehy, Steve Pitt, Goretti Stone, Little Buster Sprules, David Collison, Christine Edwards, Santana Fernandes, Maria Pereira, Leonie Viegas, Paul Robson, Jack Goodrich, Gloria Slaney, Andy Wansbury and Roy Miller.

Hiring of Hall: Please contact Cath Bird: 07989 156111 or email: bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk
Receiving electronic newsletter: Please email bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk
<p>HOW TO MAKE YOUR OFFERTORY DONATION: Donations for the Offertory Collection can be made in the usual way via the basket. Alternatively, you can donate via BACs to our bank account (details below). Payments can be made for Masses this way too. You can also make payments via our card machine, located in the porch. You can also pay for Repository items, Second Collections and Candles via this method too.</p> <p>Please remember to Gift Aid if you are tax payer. Forms are situated in the porch on the lefthand side as you enter.</p> <p>Payment online: Account No: 21089620 Sort Code: 51-70-14 Account Name: RCAS Bexleyheath</p> <p>GIFT AID: If you are a tax payer, please consider gift aiding your donation. It's a simple process and means that we can obtain an additional donation of 25p per £1 from the tax man.</p> <p>From the figures recently printed you can see that a small proportion of our donations are gift aided. All information is confidential between yourself and our Gift Aid Co-ordinator Janet Smith. If you have any questions, please email her on: bexleyheathgac@rcaos.org.uk. Thank you.</p>
<p>Southwark Catholic Youth Service are offering retreats and events in February and March. This is aimed at 13-17-year olds. Do have a look on their website for more information and to get involved. www.southwarkcatholicyouthservice or email: youth@rcaos.org.uk</p>
<p>Food Bank Items: It would greatly be appreciated if you could donate any food items to support our local food banks at Trinity Place and Devonshire Road. Usual items are needed, rice, tinned meat & fish, pasta and pasta sauces, long life milk, rice, etc. If you can spare some nice treats too, that would be amazing. Please leave items in food bank box in porch. Thank you.</p>
<p>A Day with Mary is taking place at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 1st March 2025 (9.45am to 5.00pm). Further information is available at https://www adaywithmary.org/ or https://eventcatholic.com/ (SEE POSTER FOR MORE INFORMATION)</p>
<p>Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 06th April 2025. £799.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey, Quiet Man Museum. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. (SEE POSTER FOR MORE INFORMATION)</p>
<p>Marriage Help: <i>Retrouvaille</i> is a program dedicated to healing and renewing marriages which offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse and a loving relationship in your marriage. If your marriage needs a fresh start, please reach out to us. Help is available. If you and your spouse are committed to making your marriage work and are prepared to give it your best effort, we invite you to give this programme a try. Places available for end of February & beginning of March. Go to www.Retrouvaille.org.uk for info & to book or tel. 07887 296983.</p>
<p>Building a Better Marriage (BAM) – Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope: To celebrate Jubilee 2025 one day Building a Better Marriage events will be held during 2025. The day starts at 9.30am and finishes at 4.30pm and is free to attend. The day will be open to other deaneries in 2026 who have not experienced the event. To join one of these days please contact Carole on 07983 524 727 or email: mflkent@rcaos.org.uk: 15th March – Our Lady Queen of Peace, East Sheen; 12th April – St Mary Church, Croydon West; 28th June – St Raphael Church, Kingston Upon Thames; 5th July – St Thomas More, Dulwich; 13th September – Southwark Cathedral, London; 4th October – Holy Cross, Catford; 1st November – St James the Great, Petts Wood.</p>
<p>Clergy Support Fund Second Collection: The clergy in our Archdiocese have given us so much. They have been there for us in our happiest moments and comforted us when we have lost loved ones. Supporting priests in their retirement is one way to show your appreciation for all they have one for parishes. You make supporting our clergy in retirement possible, find out how to donate to the Clergy Support Fund at www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/CSF or scan QR code.</p> <p>You can also donate via telephone office hours Mon-Fri 020 7960 2504 or by using the Clergy Support Fund envelopes available today at the back of Church. Please continue to keep our Priests in your prayers.</p>
<p>YOUTH FESTIVAL MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE 2025. 4th-11th August 2025 led by Fr. Innocent Ezeonyeasi. The full cost of the pilgrimage is £770 including flights from Gatwick, half board accommodation coach transfers with a local guide. A deposit of £150 needs to be paid immediately to secure your place. Please feel free to share this information with friends & family, who may benefit from this. Please contact Noeleen for payment on 0203 808 5156 or contact the group leader Adamma Oguh (07957 211056 or adanmaoguh@gmail.com) for more information or book online using this link https://marian-uk.com/onlineBooking1.asp?id=Medjugorje&tour=7028</p>
<p>Job Vacancies at St Catherine's Catholic School: St Catherine's is currently looking for a Teacher of English, Teacher of Computer Science, Teacher of Drama and Teacher of Spanish. All job vacancies are on the noticeboard in our porch if you are interested.</p>

