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**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

- 08.30 Mass for Maud Roussetty RIP (Antao) (Fr L)  
10.00 First Communion Session  
10.30 Mass for Ann De Souza RIP (1st Anniv) (D'Costa) (Fr M)  
Children's Liturgy  
Refreshments in the hall  
17.30 Mass for Eileen Ryall RIP (Carter) (Fr L)

**Second Collection for CAFOD**

***(Feast of Saint David, Bishop & Patron of Wales).***

***A Happy Feast Day to all our Welsh parishioners***

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026**

**Feria of Lent**

**No Mass**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026**

**Feria of Lent**

- 09.00 Mass for Ken Atmore RIP (Heaney) (Fr L)  
followed by the Rosary  
20.00 Stations of the Cross

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Feria of Lent**

**(Saint Casimir)**

- 09.00 Mass for Elvin Antao RIP (Fr L)  
followed by the Rosary

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Feria of Lent**

- 09.00 Mass for Mr F De Souza (Fr L)  
followed by the Rosary  
19.00 Confirmation Session (hall)

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Feria of Lent**

**Women's World Day of Prayer**

- 09.00 Mass for Mick & Alison Meade (John & Tracey) (Fr M)  
Adoration until 10.00am  
Confessions straight after the Blessed Sacrament is Exposed

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Feria of Lent**

**(Saints Felicity and Pepetua, Martyrs)**

- 10.00 Mass for David Bull RIP (Alaminos) (Fr L)  
Confessions

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

- 08.30 Mass for Mrs E De Souza RIP (Fr M)  
10.00 First Communion Session  
10.30 Mass for David Smith RIP (Anniv) (Family) (Fr L)  
Children's Liturgy  
Refreshments in the hall  
17.30 Mass for Ken Atmore RIP (Butler) (Fr M)  
Installation of Officers of KSC after Homily

***[Saint John of God, Religious]***

**Today we have a Second Collection for the CAFOD Family Fast**

**Day:** This Lent live out the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you join in Christ's compassion and help another family put food on the table. Your donation can help families around the world grow food in difficult conditions – such as on flood-resistant floating gardens or using solar-powered water pumps in time of drought. Donations can be made via the envelope attached, donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 303. Test CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.00.

**The Season of Lent:** During Lent we do not say or sing the "Alleluia" which is reserved for Easter. On special Feast days we do say the Gloria. The music is simple and there are no flowers, except on "Laetare Sunday" Fourth Sunday of Lent. We may decide to give up something we enjoy during Lent or to do something positive. Although a Penitential Season we are not to be down in the mouth. May you have a blessed Lent.

**Stations of the Cross** takes place on Tuesday evenings at 8.00pm. **We really need parishioners to sign up to lead this devotion.**

For Holy Week and Easter, we ask you to sign up to be a Welcomers, Reader, Server, Eucharistic Minister etc.

**"Walk with Me" booklets** are £1.50. Please put the money in the CTS/Card box in the wall. Thank you.

**Covering the statues:** Help is needed on Friday 20th March to cover all the statues in the church. Please come along at 11.00am if you can assist. It won't take long. Thank you in advance.

**\*\*\*HELP \*\*\* HELP \*\*\* HELP\*\*\***

Thank you to those who have offered to help so far, however, we still urgently need cleaners and counters of the collection. None of these tasks take too long and your help will be invaluable.

Please either give your details to Fr Michael, Fr Luke, or a Welcomer or contact the parish office: [bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk) 020 8303 1957. Thank you in advance.

**Please continue to keep in your prayers our First Holy**

**Communion children:** Sophia, Amy, Jidenna, Odera, Sienna, Aria, Kameron, Alfie, Cissy, Camile, Stanley, Noah, Chinelo, Gerrard, Kerem, Senanayaka, Lincoln, Joshua and Skye.

Also our **Confirmation Candidates:** James, William, Oliver, Aidan, Phoebe, Jaiden, Tochukwu, Dillyn, Serena, Nithuli, Elleanore, Mattia, Chiara, and Kimia.

**Pray the Romero Rosary at St George's Cathedral:**

Join Archbishop John Wilson and the Cathedral clergy in praying the rosary every Friday at 5pm throughout Lent. This is a beautiful opportunity to draw closer to the Lord Jesus in prayer. Archbishop John will personally lead the devotion at the National Shrine of St Oscar Romero at St George's Cathedral (SE1 6HR) again on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm. On all other Fridays during Lent, the Cathedral clergy will lead the rosary, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6pm. Let the rosary connect you to the Lord Jesus this Lenten season. Find out more at: [rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary](http://rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary)

**Gift Aid boxes:** For parishioners who have signed up to Gift Aid and requested the little envelopes, your boxes are in the porch for you to collect.

Please consider having our weekly newsletter emailed to you every week. Email: [bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk)

**Please pray for the sick and those in special need of your prayers:** Katie Bingley, Rita Zaremba, Fr Gareth Bowen, Mary Paul, John Yates, Meta James, Tracey James, Baby Teddy, John Smith, Tom C, Susan, Adelina Braganza, Stelian, Claire Wansbury, 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, 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, Jo O'Donnell, Matthew Butler, Nadia Sheehy, Steve Pitt, Little Buster Sprules, David Collison, Christine Edwards, Santana Fernandes, Maria Pereira, Leonie Viegas, Paul Robson, Jack Goodrich, Gloria Slaney, Andy Wansbury, Josephine da Silva and Roy Miller.

**Hiring of Hall:** Please contact Cath Bird: 07989 156111 or email: [bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk)

**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. Please remember to Gift Aid if you are tax payer. **Payment online:**  
**Account No:** 21089620 **Sort Code:** 51-70-14 **Account Name:** RCAS Bexleyheath

**A note from Janet, our Gift Aid Co-ordinator:** Mass Offerings. We can receive Gift Aid on Mass offerings if you are a Gift Aid Donor. Could you please write on the envelope or email your gift aid number and amount that is enclosed? If you are paying by BACS, please ensure it is marked "Mass offering". Many thanks. Janet.

**Donations for Local Foodbanks:** Items needed are cereal, sugar, tea, coffee, UHT milk, toilet rolls, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, soup etc. We've also been made aware that hats and gloves are in urgent need too, so if you could supply these also, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for supporting this.

**A Day with Mary** is taking place at St Mary of the Crays on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2026; Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (9.45am to 5.00pm). Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/> or <https://eventcatholic.com/> (see poster for more information)

**Bexley Winter Shelter Donations:** Thank you all who have bought sleeping bags and shower gel to help those homeless in Bexleyheath. We still need donations of new sleeping bags. Thank you.

**Christ the King Sixth Form** are seeking a qualified Accountant to join their Governing Body: Please see poster in porch for more information.

**Musical Pilgrimage on the Augustine Camino June 8<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> 2026:** Setting off from Rochester Cathedral, we will walk about 10 miles a day through the beautiful Kent countryside to Canterbury, then onto the shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. Each evening, Eddie Gilmore will perform a little concert in a pub en route. Contact Eddie for more details: [gileag@gmail.com](mailto:gileag@gmail.com) [www.eddiegilmore.org](http://www.eddiegilmore.org) (see poster in porch)

**Dartford and Gravesham NHS Trust's first unpaid carers engagement event, to be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March:** The aim of the day is to bring together unpaid carers and DGT patients who rely on unpaid carers, alongside Trust staff, healthcare professionals and community partners who are committed to improving carer involvement during hospital stays. The day will be collaborative, allowing people to share their experiences and insights, and we hope to end with a clear path to improving the support we offer to carers. The full aims and objectives outline for the day is displayed on posters in our porch.

**Marriage and Family Life Events in 2026:** Please look at information on noticeboard for events being held during 2026.

**Olivet to Calvary – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm:** Members of the MacKenzie family supported by Bexley Phoenix Choir, with Simon Thorpe (Baritone) and Jane Noakes (Organ), will perform. This cantata by the Victorian composer, J H Maunder lasts about an hour and take us through the final few days of the life of Christ, starting on Palm Sunday and leading through to the Crucifixion. (see poster for more information).

**Discernment Retreats at Minster Abbey Benedictine Monastery:** For single Roman Catholic Women aged 18-35 who are open to discerning a monastic vocation. Palm Sunday Weekend – 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> March/7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> August/9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> October. (see posters for more information and to book).

### **Parish Easter Egg Hunt: Easter Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April after 10.30 Mass- £1.00 entry per child**

We are once again asking for donations of Easter Eggs (big and small) for our hunt taking place on Easter Sunday after 10.30 Mass. We ask First Holy Communion and Confirmation children/parents to get involved too with helping on the day, and are appealing to any parishioners who would also like to help with running the refreshments. Please speak to Cath or email the parish office [bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk) if you can spare some time.

Please leave donations of eggs in the porch behind the Mass book trolley. Thank you.

