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**Safeguarding:** The Archdiocese of Southwark is committed to the safety and welfare of children and vulnerable adults. The Diocese co-operates fully with the CSAS, the Catholic Safeguarding Advisory Service, which aims to help the Church become an example of best practice in the Safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, and develop a "culture of vigilance" to ensure that children and vulnerable adults in our care are kept safe from harm.

**THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (YEAR A)**  
**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) – PAGES 178 & 120**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

**The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Holyday of Obligation**

- 08.30 Mass for Robert Sydney Guiver RIP & Lee Hawkins RIP (Alaminos) (Fr M)  
 10.30 Mass for Jim & Joan Heffernan RIP (Copus) (Fr L)  
**Refreshments after Mass in the hall**  
 17.30 Mass for Elizabeth Flynn RIP (Burke) (Fr M)

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

**Feria**

**No Mass**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

**Feria**

- 09.00 Mass for Tee & husband, whose baby Charlotte died (Ria) (Fr L) followed by the Rosary

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

**Saint John Eudes, Priest**

- 09.00 Mass for Bernard Glandfield (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) RIP followed by the Rosary

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2026**

**Saint Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church**

- 09.00 Mass for Private Intention (Jobin) (Fr L)  
 Followed by the Rosary

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2026**

**Saint Pius X, Pope**

- 09.00 Mass for Philomena Kerins RIP & John Kerins (Fr M)  
 Adoration until 10.00am  
 Confessions straight after the Blessed Sacrament is Exposed

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2026**

- 10.00 Mass for Welfare of Helen Sullivan (Kelly) (Fr M) followed by the Rosary  
 Confessions  
 14.00 Baptism of Kylie Doll Rosalie McDonagh (Fr M)

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2026**

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 08.30 Mass for Good Health of John & Kennedy Families (Fr L)  
 10.30 Mass for Mary McGinty RIP (Millbank) (Fr M)  
**Refreshments in the hall**  
 17.30 Mass for Private Intention (Coroi) (Fr L)

**AUGUST IS THE MONTH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**THIS NEWSLETTER COVERS THE NEXT 2 WEEKS.**

**Rest in Peace:** Adelina Braganza who died on Monday. She lived in Maples Care Home and Sheila visited her regularly with Holy Communion. Fr Luke anointed her last Friday. Our condolences go to her family. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Rest in Peace:** Mui Kwai Lai who died last week. Our condolences go to her family. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Rest in Peace:** David Crawley who died suddenly last week. Our condolences go to his brother Greg and family members. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Congratulations to** Arthur Edward Page who was baptised last weekend.

**Refreshments will continue during the summer:** Good news, a parishioner has kindly offered to serve refreshments after 10.30 Mass on Sundays during the rest of the summer holidays. Please do pop in and take time to chat with each other.

**Please pray for the sick and those in special need of your prayers:** Mick & Sylvie Carolan, Pat Tolhurst, Eileen Poulston, Katie Bingley, Fr Gareth Bowen, Mary Paul, John Yates, Meta James, Tracey James, Baby Teddy, Tom C, Susan, 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, Robin Robinson, Alice, John Moore, Pauline Viegas, Deirdre Collins, Susan Dassanyake, Nuala Pawley, Helena Riley, Richard Whiteside, Florrie Pereira, Jo O'Donnell, Nadia Sheehy, Steve Pitt, David Collison, Christine Edwards, Santana Fernandes, Maria Pereira, Leonie Viegas, Paul Robson, Jack Goodrich, Gloria Slaney, Andy Wansbury, Josephine da Silva and Roy Miller

**Donations for Local Foodbanks:** Items urgently needed are cereal, sugar, tea, coffee, UHT milk, toilet rolls, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, soup etc. Please ensure items are in date and haven't been opened. Thank you.

**First Aiders Needed Urgently:** If you attend 5.30pm Mass on a Sunday, please consider undertaking this training. It's important that every Mass has a first aider. You have to be over the age of 18. The date booked for training is 5<sup>th</sup> September. Please contact Cath: [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. You can also make payments via our card machine located in the porch. Using this method, you can also pay for Repository items, Second Collections and Candles too. Please remember to Gift Aid if you are tax payer. If you wish to set up a regular standing order or make a payment via BACS, please contact the parish office for bank details: [bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk)

**Readers' Rota for September- October:** Copies are available in the porch

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| <p><b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2026</b><br/> <b><u>Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle</u></b><br/> <b>No</b> Mass</p> <p><b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2026</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Feria</b></span><br/> 09.00 Mass in Thanksgiving for Favours Received<br/> (De Souza) (Fr L) followed by the Rosary</p> <p><b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2026</b><br/> <b><u>Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God</u></b><br/> 09.00 Mass for Peter Baillie (Anniv) RIP (Fr L)<br/> followed by the Rosary</p> <p><b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2026</b><br/> <b><u>Saint Monica</u></b><br/> 09.00 Mass for Birthday Blessings (Eloise) and<br/> Special Intentions (Olivia) (Gordon) (Fr L)<br/> followed by the Rosary</p> <p><b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2026</b><br/> <b><u>Saint Augustine, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</u></b><br/> 09.00 Mass for Ann Widdecombe RIP (Kerins) (Fr M)<br/> Adoration until 10.00am<br/> Confessions straight after the Blessed<br/> Sacrament is Exposed</p> <p><b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2026</b><br/> <b><u>The Passion of Saint John the Baptist</u></b><br/> 09.00 Mass for Mrs Pamela Pereira RIP (De Souza) (Fr L)<br/> followed by the Rosary<br/> Confessions<br/> 12.30 Baptism of Fia Nova Julieta Chappelle (Fr L)</p> <p><b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2026</b><br/> <b><u>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b><br/> 08.30 Mass for Ella Thompson RIP (Foundation) (Fr M)<br/> 10.30 Mass for Hugh Casey RIP (Minnie) (Fr L)<br/> <b>Refreshments in the hall</b><br/> 17.30 Mass for Private Intention (Coroi) (Fr M)<br/> <b><i>Celebration of Birthdays and Anniversaries</i></b></p> | <p><b><u>Annual Missio Red Box Collection:</u></b> If you have a Missio Red Box, please can you bring it in for emptying. Please hand your box into in the sacristy to Fr. Luke or Fr. Michael by <u>end of September at the latest</u>. Please ensure your name is clearly marked on the box. <b><u>Please Do Not leave the boxes in the porch.</u></b> When the boxes have been emptied, I will leave them on the table in the back of the church to be collected. If you would like to Gift Aid your donations, please contact Missio via telephone on 020 7821 9755 or email at <a href="mailto:info@missio.org.uk">info@missio.org.uk</a>; they can send you a Gift Aid Declaration form to sign. Alternatively, please speak to me. If you no longer want a Red Box, leave a note with your box when you hand it in and I will remove your name from the list. Thank you. God Bless. Abby</p> <p><b><u>Examination Invigilators wanted for internal and external examinations</u></b> at St Catherine's Catholic Girls School, Bexleyheath - supporting and guiding students calmly during the school's examination period. Please visit: <a href="https://www.stccg.co.uk/Support-Staff-Vacancies/">https://www.stccg.co.uk/Support-Staff-Vacancies/</a> for more info and link to apply.</p> <p><b><u>SEMH Learning Support Assistant and DT Technician.</u></b> Please visit: <a href="https://www.stccg.co.uk/Support-Staff-Vacancies/">https://www.stccg.co.uk/Support-Staff-Vacancies/</a> for more info and link to apply. Thank you.</p> <p><b><u>Message from SPARK IN THE PARK:</u></b> There is not long till SPARK 2026, and a lot of preparation has already begun. One thing you can all participate in is prayer for the success of SPARK and the lives it will touch. It's a wonderful privilege we have to do this both individually and corporately. This Sunday we have a Prayer and Praise service to do just that.</p> <p>Taking place at St John's Church Welling this Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> August at 6:30pm it'll be a great opportunity to catch up with the team and hear about some of the new things we are doing this year as well as lift SPARK up to the Lord.</p> <p>On Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August at 6.30pm we will be meeting in Danson Park for our SPARK Commissioning Service. It would be great to see you all there.</p> <p>Monday 17<sup>th</sup>-Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August, Danson Park, near the Boathouse<br/> Inflatables, crafts, sports, games and lots of fun – a free gift from local Churches to families in around Bexley.<br/> Afternoons: 1pm-4.30pm<br/> Evenings: 7pm – 9pm</p> |
| <p><b><u>Day with Mary:</u></b> Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August @ Church of the Good Shepherd, Downham (see posters for more information)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <p><b><u>Hiring of Hall:</u></b> Please contact Cath Bird: 07989 156111 or email: <a href="mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk">bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <p><b><u>Electronic Newsletter:</u></b> If you would like our newsletter emailed to you each week, please contact Cath at the parish office: <a href="mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk">bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |