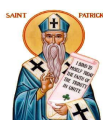


**WELCOME TO**



## Holy Cross & St Patrick Parish

*Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians*

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Head Teacher: Miss Mary Murphy

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**Parish Office: Tuesday & Wednesday – 9.00 to 3pm. Thursday 9.00 to 2.30pm**

**SECOND SUNDAY**

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**18<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 (Pg125)**

### A MESSAGE FROM SPUC

*The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be holding its annual appeal this weekend. SPUC exists to transform culture so that abortion is not only abolished but becomes unthinkable. The Society is actively leading the fight in courts, classrooms and communities to achieve this mission. Through these efforts we will restore a respect for the sanctity of human life from conception until death. This year's appeal postcards allow supporters to join the fightback campaign against the current threats in Parliament to expand abortion and allow assisted suicide. Your support means everything to us. Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC at this critical time for our country and take a postcard home if you would like to support us.*

**CONFESSIONS** *St Patrick*: Saturday after 10.00 Mass  
*Holy Cross*: Saturday before 5.30pm Mass

*There will be no EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT until further notice*

<i>Holy Cross</i>	<i>Mass intentions</i>	<i>St. Patrick</i>
17.30 Trevor Gomes birthday intentions AND Eilish Brophy RIP	Sat. 17 <sup>th</sup> January <b>SECOND SUNDAY</b>	<b>St Anthony, Abbot</b> 10.00 Protection of Unborn Children
8.45 Joseph Duong Hoang & Maria Vu Hoang RIP	Sun. 18 <sup>th</sup> January <b>SECOND SUNDAY</b>	10.15 Deceased members of Fazzani family, Luigi, Poldi & Josie Fazzani 18.00 Christian Unity
10.00 Maria Van Hoang RIP	Mon. 19 <sup>th</sup> January <b>FERIA</b>	9.00 Martha & Daniel Dillon RIP AND Francesca's birthday
<b>NO MASS</b>	Tues. 20 <sup>th</sup> January <b>FERIA</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
10.00 Joseph Thanh Hoang RIP	Wed. 21 <sup>st</sup> January <b>St Agnes, Virgin &amp; Martyr</b>	9.00 Mary Adede Nieji Unah RIP
10.00 Maria Lai Hoang RIP	Thur. 22 <sup>nd</sup> January <b>FERIA</b>	9.00 Thanksgiving (Asodhe)
10.00 Margaret Connell RIP anniversary	Fri. 23 <sup>rd</sup> January <b>FERIA</b>	9.00 Eric Horne RIP
17.30 Eric Price RIP and Mona Pinto RIP anniversary	Sat. 24 <sup>th</sup> January <b>THIRD SUNDAY</b>	<b>St Francis de Sales, Bishop &amp; Doctor of the Church</b> 10.00 Donatus Kofo Olawole RIP
8.45 Bob Jackson RIP anniversary	Sun. 25 <sup>th</sup> January <b>THIRD SUNDAY</b>	10.15 Anne-Marie's birthday 18.00 Eric & Josie Horne RIP

### Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January: Pray with the Word of God

that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

Please note – notices for the Parish Newsletter, with Father's prior permission, should be sent to the Parish Office by **Wednesday at 12 noon** (by email, 'phone or printed copy). We will do our best to include items, but cannot always guarantee this.  
Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

Offertory 11<sup>th</sup> January £327.80 *Thank you*  
Christmas Offering for the Clergy TBA  
17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> January – SPUC Appeal  
24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> January – LEPR Appeal  
25<sup>th</sup> January – Maintenance of St George's Cathedral

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> January – Octave of Christian Unity  
CHURCHES TOGETHER IN PLUMSTEAD and WOOLWICH

#### Service of Prayer for Christian Unity

Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm  
Wesley Hall Methodist Church,  
Timbercroft Road SE18 2SB

**ALL ARE WELCOME** Refreshments following the Service

Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> February RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

Archbishop John will celebrate Holy Mass in  
St George's Cathedral at 10am you are invited  
to gather outside the cathedral at 9.45 for a  
Procession of National Flags and for  
refreshments in the Amigo Hall after Mass

Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/live/fdmGwmESSgl>

#### MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

Requests for Holy Mass can be for any occasion and  
can be made in person, by telephone, by email or by  
completing the special envelope.

PLEASE NOTE: requests for a specific date may not be  
guaranteed and should be made **at least 2 weeks in  
advance**, except in urgent cases. Thank you

Guides (girls aged 10 – 14)

Brownies (girls aged 7 – 10)

*Mondays 6 – 7.30pm*

For more information on joining please contact:

Tatayana – 07921500555 Natasha – 07941967414

#### READERS

*St Patrick*

18<sup>th</sup> January: 10.15 Guides/Brownies 18.00 Samson  
25<sup>th</sup> January: 10.15 Youth Mass 18.00 N Brown

*Holy Cross*

17<sup>th</sup> Jan: 17.30 Mike 18<sup>th</sup> Jan: 8.45 Jason  
24<sup>th</sup> Jan: 17.30 Brian 25<sup>th</sup> Jan: 8.45 Sheila

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY *St Patrick* children under 10 years

18<sup>th</sup> January – Laura; Ademio & Tohanme  
25<sup>th</sup> January – Parish Youth Mass

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the People of the  
Parish at Holy Cross and Francesca Olawole's  
birthday at St Patrick.



St Catherine's Catholic School for Girls in Bexleyheath is  
seeking to appoint Examination Invigilators to maintain the  
integrity and security of both internal and external  
examinations, and to support and guide students calmly  
during their examination period. For more information and  
to apply, please visit [St Catherine's Catholic School - Support  
Staff Vacancies](#)

#### CHRIST the KING 6<sup>th</sup> Form College

are looking for a **qualified accountant** to join their  
Governing Body.  
See poster for details.

Eddie McCarthy will be doing a sponsored walk in aid  
of Bexley Community Pantry on **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January**  
and would be grateful for any sponsorship. **Thank you**

#### CALLED TO BEAR FRUIT

*Reaching Out to Our Brothers and Sisters in Need*

**GREENWICH FOODBANK**

*We will continue to have our monthly collection of food  
every fourth Sunday of the month (Youth Sunday).*

Tinned & packet foods; toiletries; nappies; sweets and  
chocolates; long-life milk and fruit juice can also be  
brought to church at any time. *Thank you*

**Please pray for those who are unwell:** Norma Barrett, Margaret Ollin, Pat Cullen, Christopher Nnabike, Yolanda Perera, Bridie Maguire, Loretta, Sophie & Pablo Picola, Hana Gjelaj, Bob Kapp, Philomena Flaherty, Jo O'Connell, Dave Kent, Mary Mulholland, Maura Nagle, Chris Britto, Eileen McPadden, Nuala McGovern, Aurora Miranda, Charles, Sarah, Sven & Lloyd, Jimmy Gjelaj, Pressie Fernandez, Betty O'Donoghue, Louise Perera, Marianne Ali, Trevor Brown, John McPartlin, Sarah Young & family, Irene D'Souza, Alex Pollock, Kevin Murphy, Susannah Brown, John Colacco, Henry Agbadamusi, Dave Orrel, Stephen Brown, Erin Johnston, Maureen Cunney, Eddie White, **for those who have died especially Man Bahadur Rana and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Brendan McNulty, Mary Edwards, Margaret Burhell, Michael Hughes, Ann Oliver, Liam Wilson, Margaret Connell, Maria Bartolo, Michael O'Hare, Mary Painter, Maire Dee, Maureen Woodward, Mary Webster, Denzil Delaney, Henrietta Linnell, Mona Pinto.

#### DON'T THROW YOUR USED STAMPS AND CARDS AWAY!

**We are collecting both for charity.**

**There is a box for stamps and cards at the  
back of church**

*(Please remember to remove names and messages)*

*Thank you* 😊

Account details: NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK

Acc Name: RCAS - PLUMSTEAD

Acc No: 79136796 Sort code: 60-50-01

Please make cheques payable to: **RCAS PLUMSTEAD**

**If you pay tax, please join the Parish Gift Aid  
scheme, which earns an extra 25p for every £1 you  
give.** Thank you for your continued support.