

WELCOME TO

Holy Cross & St Patrick Parish

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians

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

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY YEAR A Ps 2 4th October, 2026 (Pg 137)

This October, as we honour Mary in a special way, the Gospel invites us to reflect on the fruits of our faith. Jesus reminds us that God's vineyard has been entrusted to us, and we are called to respond with faithful hearts.

Mary shows us what this response looks like. Her life was marked by trust, humility, and a willingness to say YES to God. Like the workers in the vineyard, we too are invited not simply to hear God's word, but to let it bear fruit in our lives.

As we journey through this Marian month, may Mary help us to open our hearts more fully to God, to nurture the gifts He has entrusted to us, and to bring forth fruits of love, kindness, forgiveness, and service.

Let us pray with the powerful intercession of St Francis of Assisi for our Government, that their ability to support the vulnerable would increase and that they would anchor themselves on the desire to protect all human life.

Holy Cross: Saturday before 5.30pm Mass

CONFESSIONS

St Patrick: Saturday after 10.00 Mass

Holy Cross

Mass intentions

St. Patrick

17.30 Joseph John Wren & Yonna Boarder RIP	Sat. 3 rd October TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY	The Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 David Ballard RIP AND David Kelsey's intentions
8.45 Patrick Campbell RIP anniversary AND Dennis Jolley RIP	Sun. 4 th October TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY ROSARY SUNDAY	10.00 Rosemary Wentworth RIP AND Tome Asllani RIP 6months remembrance 18.00 Mary & James Donovan RIP AND James & Martha McCarthy RIP
10.00 Birthday wishes Eileen Paterson	Mon. 5 th October FERIA	9.00 All Souls in Purgatory
NO MASS	Tues. 6 th October FERIA	NO MASS
10.00 Tommy Nibbs RIP	Wed. 7 th October Our Lady of the Rosary	9.00 Thang Van Nguyen & Cho Thi Phan RIP
10.00 Gerry McCahey RIP	Thur. 8 th October FERIA	9.00 Wellbeing of Liz & Roger Gregory
10.00 Eileen Jordan	Fri. 9 th October St John Henry Newman, Priest	9.00 Mrs J Horne RIP
17.30 Victor Pereira RIP	Sat. 10 th October TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY	The Blessed Virgin Mary 10.00 Theresa & Nimalie Perera birthday intentions AND Patrick Nwoko RIP
8.45 Les Smith RIP	Sun. 11 th October TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY	10.00 Special intentions of Martins Chris 18.00 Mrs J Horne RIP

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for October: For Mental Health Ministry – we pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses

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.

MASS INTENTIONS can be requested by 'phone/email or using the special envelopes at the back of church/Chapel. **PLEASE GIVE AT LEAST 2 WEEKS' NOTICE FOR SPECIFIC DATES**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

A DAY with MARY: Sat 3rd October 9 – 5.15 Our Lady of Sorrows, Friary Road, Peckham
Sat 10th October 9.20 – 5.15 Holy Cross, North Street, Carshalton

ADOREMUS Sat. 10th October 12.00 Mass at St George's Cathedral, Eucharistic Procession to Westminster Cathedral, Benediction and All-Night Vigil
cbcew.org.uk/adoremus-2026

FATIMA SYMPOSIUM 22nd November (London)
Mass, Rosary & Talks on the Fatima message

READERS *St Patrick*

4th October: 10.15 A Offong/M Ofori 18.00 Elisée
11th October: 10.15 Anslem/T Arthur 18.00 L Keys
Holy Cross
3rd Oct: 17.30 Brian 4th Oct: 8.45 Jason
10th Oct: 17.30 mike 11th Oct: 8.45 Ian

ST PATRICK MISSIO BOXES

Please leave your boxes at the back of church on the 4th & 11th October ready for counting and collection on 18th & 25th October. *Thank you*



GREENWICH FOODBANK

TINNED MEAT & FISH, TINNED POTATOES, JUICE, ESSENTIAL TOILETRIES tinned vegetables - packet foods, biscuits, sweets and chocolates - cooking oil - long-life milk and fruit juice – rice, pasta & noodles– table condiments - feminine hygiene products & nappies can be left at the back of church or Chapel *Thank you*

ST URSULA'S SCHOOL, CROOMS HILL SE10
OPEN MORNINGS
5th to 9th October
9.00 to 10.30

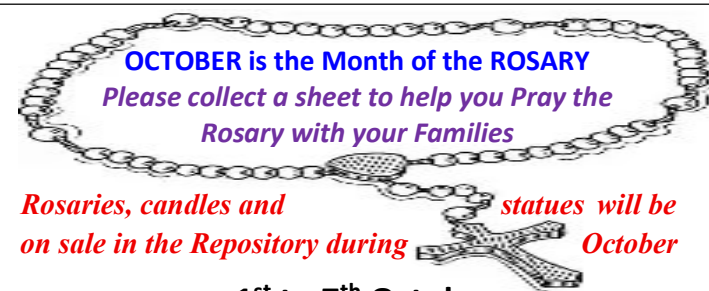
Scan the QR code on the poster to register

ST COLUMBA'S BOYS,
Bexleyheath
Sat. 3rd October
9.30 – 12.30

See poster for details
Register at:
www.st-columbas.co.uk

We pray for those who are unwell: Martin Conneally, Nick De Cristoforo, Kingsley Peiris, Roseanne & Pauline McPadden, Maureen Cunney, Sheila Cox, Margaret Gallagher, Daniel Picola, Carol Goodenough, Eileen Paterson, Margaret Ollin, Annita Molloy, Patricia Feehily, Pat Cullen, Christopher Nnabike, Norma Barrett, Yolanda & Louise Perera, Bridie Maguire, Bob Kapp, 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, Marianne Ali, Trevor Brown, John McPartlin, Sarah Young & family, Irene D'Souza, Alex Pollock, Kevin Murphy, Susannah Brown, Henry Agbadamusi, Dave Orrel, Stephen Brown, Erin Johnston, Eddie White, *for those who have died, especially Lawrence McAhey and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:* Robert Keys, Susan Fisher, Michael O'Brien, Sean Walsh,

Offertory 27th September £825.55 *Thank you*
4th October – CAFOD Family Fast Day**
**please take a Family Fast Day envelope and return it with your offering next weekend – if you pay tax, remember to fill in and sign the Gift Aid information.
18th October – MISSIO (World Mission Sunday)



Rosaries, candles and statues will be on sale in the Repository during October

1st to 7th October

Our Holy Father, Pope Leo, invites everyone to join *"One Million Children Praying the Rosary for PEACE"*

Go to

acninternational.org/millionchildrenpraying/
for more details and to sign your family up



The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for the People of the Parish at Holy Cross and Tony Olofinbinu's birthday thanksgiving at St Patrick.

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

4th October – Mary; Ademio, Daniel & Tohanme
11th October – Bernie; Emma, Carlien & Lisa

GREENWICH CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP

prizes for the **DIASBLED CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT** *raffle*
Sat. 10th October at 8pm in the Social Club
Admission £3 per person/ teams up to 6

The **UCM** would like to thank everyone who supported their charity fundraising event last weekend. Amount raised to be announced next week.

Thank you from Eddie McCarthy to everyone who sponsored him and raised £685 for Alzheimer's Society

HOW DO WE PRAY?

Teach Me to Pray online on Tuesdays, starting 6th October 7pm to 8.15pm. followed by an in-person Reflection Day on 5th or 12th December. Join us whenever you can. For details/to sign up see <https://aecsouthwark.churchsuite.com/events/tmnp4hqd> or email for further information spirituality@rcaos.org.uk

Guides (girls aged 10 – 14)

Brownies (girls aged 7 – 10)

For more information on joining please contact:

Tatayana – 07921500555

Mondays 6 – 7.30pm

Natasha – 07941967414

Cheques payable to: **RCAS PLUMSTEAD**

For security reasons, we would ask you to speak to FATHER FOR BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS IF YOU WISH TO SET UP A STANDING ORDER If you pay tax, please join the Parish Gift Aid scheme, which earns an extra 25p for every £1 you give at no extra cost to you. Forms available at the back of church. Thank you