# ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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# ST. PETER CHANEL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK				
Saturday 11th January	The Baptism of the Lord (C)			
6.30pm	Mary Button RIP			
Sunday 12th January	The Baptism of the Lord (C)			
8.30am	Tony Smith RIP			
10.00am	Intention of Helen Gibney	Children's Liturgy		
11.30am	People of the Parish			
Monday 13th January	Feria			
9.30am	Intention of Pauline Webb	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group		
Tuesday 14th January	Feria			
9.30am	Chris Kitchen RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass		
Wednesday 15th January	Feria			
9.30am	Celia Hackett RIP	Coffee Morning		
Thursday 16th January	Feria			
9.30am	Mary Caheny RIP			
Friday 17th January	Saint Anthony, Abbot, Memorial	10am-12noon Exposition of the		
9.30	Antero Legendres RIP	Blessed Sacrament		
Saturday 18th January	The Blessed Virgin Mary	8.45am Morning Prayer		
9.30 am	John J. Caheny RIP	9.00am Rosary		

Collection	5th January 2024	
Cash	£476.19	
Gift Aid	£216.40	
Total	£692.59	
Monthly Standing Order	£4677	

The Sacrament of Penance - Saturday mornings 11am-12noon and before Mass on Saturday evening or by arrangement.

# HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

### For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish newsletter, please send an email to: regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk

# **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Please pray for those who have died recently: Veronica Mary Savage, Byron Moran, Andrew Witkowski and Angela Molloghan.

#### CHURCES TOGETHER IN SIDCUP

Unity Service will take place at Footscray Baptist Church, Sidcup Hill, on Sunday, 19 January, commencing 4pm. All welcome.

**MASS OFFERINGS** - Mass offerings are another way by which you support your priests. The Diocese has given a guide on how much we should give as mass offering, £10 per mass. This is only a guide. But we can give any amount we can afford. At many parishes people give £5 or £10 or £20, etc for a mass. As this is an offering, we can give any amount we can afford. As many days have now been taken up, it is not easy for us to book a mass for the near future. But if you do not have to be present when the mass is celebrated, we could send the mass intentions to the missions. The mass will then be celebrated within 30 days. And so, when you book a mass you can also ask for this option.

#### **MONTHLY FILM NIGHT**

We hope you all had a very happy Christmas and we would like to take the opportunity to wish you a very happy New Year. Firstly, we would like to thank you all for making our Film Nights so successful and enjoyable. We have certainly had a lovely time meeting and chatting with you during the social time that takes place before the film starts. Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances we need to change our Film Night from the first Wednesday of the month to the second FRIDAY of the month. We do hope this does not cause any issues with those who have supported us over the past six months and we look forward to seeing you and hopefully more people in the coming months.

Our first Film Night of the year will be on Friday 10 January and we will be showing a musical. As always there will be a poster at the back of the church advertising this.

# SOCIAL EVENT FOR THE PARISH - BARN DANCE

The Spiritual and Social Events team will be holding a BARN DANCE on the evening of Saturday 1 February 7.30-10.30pm. Tickets on sale after all masses this weekend. Adults £10. Children £5. Family ticket £25 (2 adults plus up to three children). We look forward to seeing you at our first event of 2025.

# **CONFIRMATION APPLICATION FORMS**

The Confirmation Programme for children in Year 9 and above will be starting on the 18th January 2025. Application forms can be collected from the Parish office. There will be a Parents Meeting on Saturday 11th January 2025.

# **CHILDREN'S LITURGY 10am SUNDAY MASS**

The Children's Liturgy dates for the Spring term 2025 are as follows: January 12th, 19th, 26th; February 2nd, 9th; March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th.

**REPOSITORY** - Calendars, diaries and small gifts will be on sale in the Repository, in the church hall, after the Sunday 8.30 Masses until 11.30 and during the Wednesday coffee mornings.

# **VISITS TO ST PETER CHANEL**

St Peter Chanel is open for 2025 Reception applications for children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021. The deadline for Reception applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025. We also have places in our outstanding Pre-School available, with an immediate start, for children from the age of two. If you would like to arrange a visit to our Pre-School or main school, please contact 0208 302 6029 or email admin@st-peterchanel.bexley.sch.uk

**MONTHLY FOODBANK DONATION** - Our next monthly foodbank donation will take place on the weekend of 26/27 January and we would encourage you to support this by providing one item for the local foodbank. A list of requirements is provided at the back of the church. For the rest of the month the bins will be in their usual place and we thank all those who generously donate every week.

# SAINT LAWRENCE CHARITABLE FUND

As in previous years Parishioners wishing to make a donation to St Lawrence Charitable Fund rather than sending Christmas cards can add their name to a list at the back of the church. Donations can be made via our **new website** <a href="https://www.stlcf.org.uk">www.stlcf.org.uk</a> or in an envelope marked SLCF donation, handed into the Parish office. Thank you for your support.

**SOUTHWARK ARCHDIOCESE ROSARY PRAYER PROJECT** - Everyone is warmly invited to join this Archdiocesewide prayer initiative, praying a decade of the Rosary each day for priests and parishes in their deanery.