

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 19th April 8.00pm - Easter Vigil Mass	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year C People of the Parish	
Sunday 20th April	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year C	
8.30am	Freddie and Millie Baldwin RIP	
10.00am	Maurice Hearn and Family RIP	
11.30am	Cornelia Tadyanemhandu RIP	
Monday 21st April 9.30am	Monday within the Octave of Easter Beatrice Glynn RIP	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group
Tuesday 22nd April 9.30am	Tuesday within the Octave of Easter Kathleen McGrath RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
Wednesday 23rd April 9.30am	Wednesday within the Octave of Easter Edward Przydrozny RIP	
Thursday 24th April 9.30am	Thursday within the Octave of Easter Father Sacco RIP	
Friday 25th April 9.30am	Friday within the Octave of Easter Michael Halse RIP	10am-12noon Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 26th April 9.30am	Saturday within the Octave of Easter Anne Maxted RIP	8.45am Morning Prayer

Collection	13th April 2025		
Cash	£		
Gift Aid	£		
Total	£		
Monthly Standing Order	£4407		

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

Baptism preparation course for parents will take place on the first Monday of every month at 7pm. Call to book a place.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

For the use of new technologies.

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crisis of our times.

PRAYER REQUESTS - If you would like to 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 - Those who have died recently: Mary Margaret McMorrow, George Gallagher, Karl Brickwood, Maureen Egan, Freda Basley, and those who are in poor health: Martin Pender, Ella Duncan, Joan Somerset.

A SINCERE THANK YOU FROM YOUR PRIESTS

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers, ministers, and parishioners who gave so generously of their time and talents during Holy Week and Easter. From the preparation of the church, to the music, readings, liturgies, and quiet acts of service behind the scenes – every contribution made a difference.

Your dedication brought great beauty, meaning, and reverence to our celebrations. It was truly inspiring to witness the spirit of our Parish in action. May the joy of the Risen Christ continue to live in your hearts as we journey together through this Easter season. With gratitude and blessings, Father Regis and Father Allan.

EASTER OFFERINGS

We are truly grateful for your generosity this Easter. Your contributions to the Easter collection, which is a vital part of our income, are deeply appreciated. Beyond the financial support, we were especially touched by the kind cards, thoughtful gifts, and warm words of encouragement. Your kindness and support mean so much to us, and we feel truly blessed to be part of such a caring and faith-filled community. Thank you for your continued generosity and prayers.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 10am SUNDAY MASS - The Children's Liturgy dates for the Summer term are as follows: April 27th, May 4th, 11th, 18th, June 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, July 6th, 13th. The Children's Liturgy Easter party will take place on Sunday 27th April from 11 am to 12.15 pm in the upper room. All are welcome and an Easter Egg hunt will take place too.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER EASTER VIGIL MASS - Please join us after the 8pm Easter Vigil Mass for refreshments in the Parish hall served by the Parish Spiritual and Social events Team. Everyone is welcome to join us in the Hall after the Mass.

2ND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY - For the maintenance of St. George's Cathedral

JUBILEE CELEBRATION AT AYLESFORD

The Parish is looking into the viability of hiring a mini-bus/coach to take parishioners to Aylesford Priory for the Southwark Diocese Pilgrimage on Saturday 7 June. The coach will depart from outside the Church at 9.00 am and return at approximately 6pm. Timings will be confirmed closer to the date. The cost per person will be dependent on how many St Lawrence pilgrims need transport, but varying between £15 and £25 per seat according to numbers. Please send an email with your details/seat requirements to the parish office at sidcup@rcaos.org.uk as soon as possible.

BEXLEY DEANERY PILGRIMAGE

Walk (or Bus) to St. John Vianney Church, Bexleyheath from St. Lawrence's on Saturday, 5 July. For further details contact Tom: 07719 338375.

PILGRIMAGE WALSINGHAM

The parish is planning a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham on July 18-20. The estimated cost is £190 per person, covering transport, breakfast, and dinner, but the final price is yet to be confirmed. A £50 deposit is required.

Anyone who has put their name down needs to bring the deposit to the parish office as soon as possible. For more details, please see Fr. Allan.

REPOSITORY - First Holy Communion cards and small gifts are available for sale in the repository in the Church Hall. You can visit us on Sundays until 11:30 a.m. or on Wednesdays after the coffee morning.

SAINT LAWRENCE CHARITABLE FUND - Donations can be made via our **new website** www.stlcf.org.uk or in an envelope marked SLCF donation, handed into the Parish office. Thank you for your support.

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

FOODBANK

Next weekend is our monthly foodbank request for donations. The bins will be placed outside the church all weekend before and after mass. A big thank you to all those who regularly donate.