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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 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) – PAGE 105**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 08.30 Mass for Good Health of John & Kennedy Families (Fr M)  
 10.30 Mass for Mary McGinty RIP (Family) (Fr L)  
 Children's Liturgy (last class before summer holidays)  
 Refreshments after Mass  
 17.30 Mass for Private Intention (Seema & Jobin) (Fr M)

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Feria**

**No Mass**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026**

**Saint Lawrence of Brindisi,  
Priest and Doctor of the Church**

- 09.00 Mass for Holy Souls (Fr L) followed by the Rosary

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026**

**Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene**

- 09.00 Mass for Lurdy, Lawrence & Tomasina Fernandes RIP (Lucy) (Fr L) followed by the Rosary

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026**

**Feast of Saint Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe**

- 09.00 Mass for Ann Bugden RIP (Fr L)  
 followed by the Rosary

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Saint Sharbet Makhluif, Priest**

- 09.00 Mass for James McGauran RIP (Fr M)  
 Adoration until 10.00am  
 Confessions straight after the Blessed Sacrament is Exposed

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Feast of Saint James, Apostle**

- 10.00 Mass for Françoise Delvaille RIP (Hensman) (Fr L)  
 followed by the Rosary  
 Confessions

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time/**

**World Day of Prayers for Grandparents and the Elderly**

- 08.30 Mass for the Health & Wellbeing of Philp Gomes (Trevor)/Mass for Matthew Ball RIP (Shiu) (Fr L)  
 10.30 Mass for Dorothea & Peter Birthday Blessings (Josephine) (Fr M)  
 17.30 Mass for Deceased Members of the Collins Family (Deirdre) (Fr L)

**Celebration of Birthdays and Anniversaries**

(Saints Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin)

**JULY IS THE MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD**

**Kathy Blakemore's Funeral Mass** will be on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August at 11.00am, followed by 12.30pm at Eltham Crematorium. Please continue to keep her and family members in your prayers.

**Congratulations** to Katie Elise Valdez who was baptised last weekend.

**Thank you:** Fr Michael and Fr Luke wish to thank the First Holy Communion parents for their very kind donation. Our catechists, Bridget, Cath, Elisa, Lena and Maria are also grateful to the parents for their lovely gifts.

**Thank you** to all the musicians and the choir for your dedication and skill to provide us with music every Sunday at 10.30 Mass. Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July is your last Sunday until September. We will miss you, but everyone deserves a rest. Once again, many thanks.

Thank you also to all our Refreshment hosts for your dedication and hospitality. Next Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July is your last Sunday on duty. Sometimes a lot of people come for refreshments and sometimes only a few. It is important that we have this opportunity to meet and chat together. Once again thank you very much.

**Children's Liturgy:** We thank our catechists who have led the liturgy this past year. We are very grateful for their commitment and dedication. The Liturgy will resume on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

**Schools break up:** This week, most of our schools have broken up including our joint parish school of Saint Thomas More, Sheldon Road. We thank God for this academic year and pray that children, parents, teachers and other school staff enjoy a well-earned break. Not that parents will get much of a rest with the children home. We pray that the leavers settle into their new schools and colleges and the new arrivals into Reception Class also do well. We hope to see the children over July and August as there is no holiday from the spiritual life

**First Aiders Needed Urgently:** Thank you to those parishioners who have offered to undertake this training, however, we still need parishioners who attend 5.30pm Mass to come forward. As you will appreciate, it is imperative that all Masses are covered. Please do consider helping. The date booked for training is 5<sup>th</sup> September.. Thank you. Cath

**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.

**For The BWS Drop-In Centre,** which supports the homeless and those roughsleeping, we are looking for new men's boxer shorts (S/M/L) and new sleeping bags. Thank you for supporting both these causes.

**"Summertime 2026" – Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August:** This is not just for altar servers, but for anyone who is regularly going to mass aged 11-15, who you think would appreciate good Catholic formation in a very social atmosphere. Last year we were oversubscribed, and we are a few less in numbers at the venue, so we would recommend booking a place early rather than later. We are delighted this year to be going back to the Westminster Pastoral Centre, which has amazing facilities. There is a coach laid on from St. Anselm's Dartford. Contact Fr Stephen: [dartford@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:dartford@rcaos.org.uk) or speak to Fr Michael or Fr Luke for an application form.

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| <p><b><u>Please pray for the sick and those in special need of your prayers:</u></b> Mick &amp; Sylvie Carolan, Pat Tolhurst, Eileen Poulston, Katie Bingley, Fr Gareth Bowen, Mary Paul, John Yates, Meta James, Tracey James, Baby Teddy, Tom C, Susan, Adelina Braganza, 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.</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>HOW TO MAKE YOUR OFFERTORY DONATION:</u></b> Donations for the Offertory Collection can be made in the usual way via the basket. Alternatively, you can donate via BACs to our bank account (details below). Payments can be made for Masses this way too. You can also make payments via our card machine, located in the porch. You can also pay for Repository items, Second Collections and Candles via this method too. Please remember to Gift Aid if you are tax payer. <b>Payment online:</b><br/> <b>Account No:</b> 21089620 <b>Sort Code:</b> 51-70-14 <b>Account Name:</b> RCAS Bexleyheath</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>A Day with Mary – International Symposium:</u></b> 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026 (St Mary's, Wellesley Road, Croydon, CR0 2AR (See poster for more information)<br/> <b><u>Days with Mary:</u></b> Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August @ St Mary's Croydon, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August @ St Saviour, Lewisham, Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August @ Church of the Good Shepherd, Downham (see posters for more information)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <p><b><u>Uniformed Services Day – Charity Truck Pull – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July:</u></b> Six teams consisting of two hundred people will be volunteering to pull six heavy goods vehicles to help raise vital funds for charities helping them to continue the amazing work they do.<br/> The procession of the vehicles and community groups will be a true spectacle, starting in Westwood Lane car park off Bellegrove Road and leave at 10am making their way pulling these trucks for the distance of two miles from Welling to Bexleyheath, where they will join the main event being held on the Broadway of Bexleyheath.<br/> Please be aware there is likely to be slow-moving traffic throughout the route, but buses will be in normal operation with no impact to their services. (see notice in porch highlighting this and how you can support the charities)</p>                                                                                   |
| <p><b><u>The St John Bosco Children's Camp:</u></b> The St John Bosco Children's Camp in Brentwood Essex, is a activities camp with a Catholic ethos that runs for two weeks each summer for boys and girls. Applications are now open for children currently in school year 5 – 7 (i.e. aged 9-12 in August 2026) to spend a week at camp. Week One 25th July – 1st August or Week Two 1st – 8th August. Activities include archery, fishing, Aqua Park visit, football, kayaking and much more.<br/> The camp is especially for children who may not otherwise have a summer holiday. Suggested donation £200, but full bursaries are available. All application details are at <a href="https://boscocamp.co.uk">https://boscocamp.co.uk</a>.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <p>Please consider having our newsletter emailed to you every week. Email: <a href="mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk">bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk</a></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <p><b><u>Fr John O'Donoghue is turning 90:</u></b> Parishioners at St John Vianney Parish are invited to join Fr John O'Donoghue as he celebrates his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 12 noon at Our Lady Help of Christians, Mottingham. Please contact our parish office or email: <a href="mailto:bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk">bexleyheath@rcaos.org.uk</a> if you would like to attend and we will notify Jackie. Parishioners will need to make their own transport arrangements</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |