

## Special dates– November 2008

The year dedicated to St Paul

- 2<sup>nd</sup> **All Saints** *Feast transferred from Saturday*  
3<sup>rd</sup> **All the Faithful departed** *All Souls transferred*  
7<sup>th</sup> Dedication of St George's Cathedral *Deanery Mass  
for Deceased Clergy*  
23<sup>rd</sup> **Christ the King**  
30<sup>th</sup> First Sunday of Advent Year B starts

**Website [www. bexleydeanery.org.uk](http://www.bexleydeanery.org.uk)**

***and post your comments and news to the subscribers***

### ***What is.....***

The 'Prayer of the Church'?

Those in Holy Orders, religious and many Lay Apostolate members are required to pray the 'Liturgy of the Hours', known as the Breviary or Divine Office. It is also a worthwhile discipline followed by many ordinary Christians. The day and night is divided into periods to set time aside for communal prayer. The best known periods of this liturgy are Lauds and Vespers. Commonly known as Morning and Evening Prayer respectively, they have a cycle of psalms, often sung, readings, Gospel Canticles, intercessions and the Lord's Prayer. Even when prayed alone they join with Christ and with the world-wide recitation to become a constant and continuous worship and praise to the LORD. Other periods follow the ancient custom of prayer at the third, sixth and ninth hour. Compline or Night Prayer is compiled to examine our conscience, offer the day to God and rest.

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# ***Deanery Notices***

**For Bexley"**

***Newsletter of events in RC Deanery of Bexley***

***Archdiocese of Southwark***

Each year in Bexley Deanery the clergy visit the local cemeteries in November. They join families and friends to pray for the dead, visit and bless the graves of our loved ones. Those who visit a cemetery on All Soul's Day or adjacent Sundays to pray for the dead, can obtain a plenary indulgence for the Holy Souls.

The deceased clergy who served in our parishes are not forgotten either. A memorial Mass is held for them all. The Dean with the present clergy of Bexley Deanery will be celebrating their Mass on Friday 7 November at 10.30am at St Stephen's Catholic Church, Deepdene Rd Welling, and everyone is welcome.

There is a list of the deceased clergy on the [bexleydeanery.org](http://bexleydeanery.org) site.

Feast of ALL SAINTS Missa Cantata  
on Saturday 1 November at 10.30am at  
Our Lady of the Rosary Blackfen  
The Traditional Latin Mass with Gregorian  
chants followed by Benediction. Confessions  
from 11am then  
Solemn sung Vespers at 2.30pm

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Dates for your Diary

Cemetery Services at Sidcup, Hillview Welling  
and Falconwood at 2.30 pm on Sunday  
2 November Prayers and blessing of graves  
for other Cemeteries see parish notices

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Mass for Deceased Priests of Bexley Deanery  
Friday 7 November at 10.30 At St Stephens  
Welling

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Meet John Pridmore

‘From Gangland to Promised Land’  
at Our Lady of the Rosary, Blackfen.  
6.30pm 6<sup>th</sup> January 2009

Hear his dramatic life-changing story  
All the youth of the Deanery are specially  
invited. Interested adults just turn up.

## See on the Web

[www.bexleydeanery.org.uk](http://www.bexleydeanery.org.uk)

*the official website for the Catholic  
Churches in the Bexley area. Read the news  
of World Youth Day*

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Our Lady of the Rosary Blackfen 020 83002697  
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St Thomas More Bostal Park 020 83032189  
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