

Welcome to Holy Rood

You are very welcome to our church and parish community. If you are new to Holy Rood, please introduce yourself to one of the clergy or welcomers.

Mass	Readers	Wel-come	Ministers of the Eucharist	Offertory
Sat 11th 19.00	B. Lincoln J. Harris		<u>J. Rego</u> , C. Stamp, M. Gallagher, R. Defriez, W. Casey	Cullen family
Sun 12th 8.00	R. McHugh	Team C	<u>M. Mulkerrins</u> , M. Gornall, S. Gornall, R. Nkemdirim, E. Timmons	Hinton family
09.30	L. Mayuga	N. Attwood	<u>K. Sheridan</u> , B. Brown, D. Jose, N. Wilson-Whitman, M. Halpin	M. Maguire M. Griffin
11.00	P. Ellwood M. Jordan	Team C	<u>J. Ford</u> , E. Madrazo, <u>D. Murphy</u> , K. Aldous, <u>J. Smith</u> , C. Williams, M. Ellwood	Elliott family
18.30	A. Fusi A. Fusi		<u>J. Barrett</u> , N. Garibaldi, M. Cooper, W. Dopson, A. Hooper	Murray family

Cleaning: Team E. 18th October.

Sunday Coffee Francis Next week: Joyce & John

Saturday Coffee Shop after 11.00 Mass. October 18th Mary & Joan



Holy Rood is a Fairtrade parish

Mass Times & Intentions: 13th - 19th October

Monday	08.30	Bobby Coleman Anniv.
	12.00	Pilar Rodia RIP
Tuesday	08.30	Ted Brady RIP
	12.00	No Mass
Wednesday	08.30	Janice Kraft
	12.00	Funeral Mass for Angelina Abarno
Thursday	08.30	Special Intention
	12.00	Bridget Walsh RIP Private Intention
Friday	08.30	Holy Souls
	12.00	Alice Daly RIP
Saturday	11.00	Mary O'Rourke RIP
	19.00	Desmond Magee RIP
29th Sunday	08.00	Jack Wright Anniv
Is 45:1, 4-6, Ps 95,1 Thess 1:1-5, Mt 22:15-21	09.30	Gabrielle Ann Hanrahan Horan RIP
	11.00	Tim Murphy Anniv.
	14.15	Francis Maguire Anniv.
	18.30	Polish Mass For the Parishioners

Confession: Saturday
11.30 - 12.30, 18.15 - 18.40
Baptism by appointment.
Marriage - 6 months notice
Required

Safeguarding our children and vulnerable people:
Westminster Diocese
Co-ordinator: Fr Jeremy Trood
07889 805284/ 07814 879129
Our parish representative:
Mrs Cathy Kleiser 01923 233402.

In case you are admitted to hospital: In the light of data protection please indicate, on entering hospital, that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC chaplain to visit you. *West Herts Hospitals contact: Colette Lennon 01923 217994.*
Mass: Thursday 1.15 pm in the chapel (Watford General level 3) for patients & staff. *Mount Vernon Hospital contact Lynn Bassett 07803 986716*

Anniversaries: Tim Murphy, Giovanni Tronalone, Bobby Coleman, Sena Fernandes, Kathleen Coffey

Recently Deceased: Angelina Abarno

Holy Rood Catholic Church, Watford

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Sunday 12th October 2014

28th Sunday of the Year

Isaiah 25:6-10, Psalm 22, Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20, Matthew 22:1-14

on pages 140 – 143 of the Parish Mass Book



You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes Psalm 22

The prophet Isaiah describes the kingdom of heaven as a “banquet”, a banquet of the best food and wine and, more than this, in heaven there is no death, no mourning and no tears. Heaven is filled with rejoicing in God, the source of our hope and salvation.

Jesus takes up the theme of banquet telling the parable of a wedding feast. Many were invited but “they would not come . . . they were not

interested”, they had better things to do, in their opinion.

The ordinary people from the street found that they were subject to high expectations. Even with no advance invitation they were expected to be dressed appropriately.

This raises two questions for us: How do we respond to God’s invitation to be part of his kingdom, in this world and the next?

Are we ready and prepared for his invitation whenever it may come?

St Paul describes his own readiness. It is achieved and maintained, not through his own ability but, he says, through “the one who gives me strength”.

