

# Holy Rood Catholic Church, Watford

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.

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On 14th September, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. In Jesus' time, the Romans used the cross to torture and humiliate the worst criminals. Jesus accepted the will of God and died on the cross for us. Let us look at the cross more often. When we make the Sign of the Cross, let us fix our minds and hearts on God.

As it is the Feast Day of our parish, "We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection: through him we are saved and made free." (*Entrance Antiphon*)

## Mass Times & Intentions: 14th – 20th Sept

Monday	08.30	Foundation Mass
	12.00	For the parishioners
Tuesday	08.30	Mary Shaunessey RIP
	12.00	Felipa Rambuanga Anniv / Lapaz Rambuanga RIP
Wednesday	08.30	For Refugees
	12.00	Lorna La Frenais RIP / Peter Elliott Anniv
Thursday	08.30	Mary Thorn RIP
	12.00	Maximo Mayuga Snr Anniv
Friday	08.30	June Jury Anniv
	12.00	Jarleath Mellett RIP / Mary Roddy Special Intention
Saturday	11.00	Kathleen Brown RIP / Letitia Geer RIP
	19.00	Amos Almond Anniv / Natalie Lewis Power Anniv
<b>25th Sunday</b>	08.00	Pauline Coleman INT
Wis 2:12, 17-20, Ps 53: 3-6.	09.30	Patrick Bourke RIP /
8, Jas 3:16 - 4:3, Mark 9:30-37	11.00	Patrick Murphy RIP / Santino Aquino & Achille Blasi Anniv
	14.15	Polish Mass
	18.30	For the parishioners



**Holy Rood is a Fairtrade parish**

In case you are admitted to hospital, please tell the staff to register you as Roman Catholic on your patient records and you would like the Roman Catholic Chaplain to visit you. Alternatively you can contact the West Herts Hospital RC Chaplain whose details are on the front page.

On every Thursday at 1.15pm, there is a Mass in the Watford General Hospital chapel (3rd floor). Everyone is welcome to join us, to pray for the sick and the staff who care for them.

**Confession:** Saturday 11.30 - 12.30, 18.15 - 18.40

**Anniversaries:** Felipa Rambuanga, Peter Elliott, Maximo Mayuga Snr, June Jury, Amos Almond, Natalie Lewis Power, Tony Nash, Eva Geer

**Recently deceased:** Rosa Valvano, Patrick Clancy

## Sunday 13th Sept 2015

### 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

**Readings: Isaiah 50:5-9, Psalm 114: 1-6. 8-9, James 2:14-18, Mark 8:27-35 on pages 132 - 135 of the Parish Mass Book**

The disciples had been travelling with Jesus for some time, and they saw the miracles and heard His teaching. While they were on their way to the villages around Caesarea Philippi, Jesus asked them the following two questions:

1. 'Who do people say I am?'
2. 'Who do you say I am?'

No doubt Jesus already knew their different answers. Is it important that Jesus' followers knew who He really was? Peter gave the correct answer but he did not seem to fully understand what it meant to be "the Christ".

Jesus then told them what it meant to be the Messiah: being rejected, suffering, death and then resurrection. More importantly, to follow Christ means, 'let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.'

