

Only one week left before our Parish Fete!

We need support; buy some raffle tickets!
Sell to family and friends. £1 per ticket (£5 a book)

The Peace Hospice

Invite you to 'Lights of Love', the switching on of their Christmas tree lights on Wednesday 3rd December 7.30pm. Refreshments follow. Dedication Forms which will be displayed on a wall of remembrance are available from the Parish Office

Forms for Entry to Reception Class will be signed this

Tuesday 18th November 9.30am - 11.30am and on
Saturday 22nd November 9am - 12noon

Please email watford@rcdow.org.uk if
(a) these dates are not suitable (b) you need a Baptism Certificate

**Annual Parish Fete - Next Sunday following 9.30am Mass
Still Required !!!**

Bottles of wine/spirits, boxes of good quality biscuits/chocolates, sweets, cakes, baby clothes, toiletries, toys and gifts. Dishes by our African / African Caribbean Community and Malayalam Community will be on sale. Our Filipino Community will have a stall. Come together with our regular supporters for this whole parish event. Please drop off your cakes on Saturday or Sunday morning.

Confirmation Catechists Meeting:

Thursday 20th 7pm-8pm in the Parish Centre.

Seniors' Christmas Dinner:

Sunday 7th December we look forward to welcoming our seniors as an expression of our gratitude for their support of Church and parish. Forms available. Please apply now.

Advent Calendars

Now on sale at back of church

Bethany Group:

Bereaved? Would you welcome someone to talk to?

We next meet on Wednesday 19th Nov at 2.30pm in the Parish Centre.
Call Liz 01923 243658

Sick & Retired Priests' Fund:

Second collection last weekend raised £1801.96. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes 25th May: Booking Forms available

Has Holy Rood Got Talent?

Come and see on Friday 5th December 7.30pm. Parish Centre
Share your talent. Card trick, magic sing, dance, juggle, stitch, sew, make a special cake? play solitaire and always get one left in the middle? bring friends and family Free Admission and cake and biscuits bring some drinks to share For further details please phone 01923 230643.

St Joan of Arc Catholic School: is hosting a Winter Ball on Friday 28th November at Fairway Inn Golf Club, Rickmansworth. All welcome. **Tickets £35 per person for a 3 course dinner and music to dance the night away** please email pfa@joa.herts.sch.uk.

St Mary's Tuesday lunchtime concerts: Starts from 1pm-2pm. This is a **free concert**.

St Michael's School Musicians will play 2nd December.

Young Disciples Group: Meet on Friday 21st November from 7pm - 9pm.

Trip to Winchester Christmas Market - 3rd December:

Leaving Watford approx 9am. Leaving Winchester 5pm. Cost £15. Deposit £10. For More details contact Sharon on 01923 221536.

Advent Day of reflection and prayer:

Tuesday, 9th December 10.30am - 3pm. At the Niland Centre Bushey. Please bring a packed lunch. (Coffee on arrival from 10.00am) Suggested donation £12. Tea/coffee provided. Telephone 020 8950 4000.

A Ceremony of Carols:

Tuesday 2nd December at 7.30pm (Doors open at 7.00pm) at Westminster Cathedral. Tickets £15 available from Westminster Cathedral Gift Shop.

Watford Interfaith Pilgrimage - TODAY Sunday 16th November

- 1pm** Synagogue Nascot Road
- 2.30** St. Mary's Church
- 3pm** Gurdwara
- 3.30** Central Mosque
- 4.30** Join Diwali celebrations in Parade and lighting Diwali lamps.

Ascent Group - 19th November:

Meal at Toby Carvery, Aldenham (near Costco) Table booked for 1.15pm. Please sign list at back of the Church Transport available. Cost approx. £10. 17th December: Outing to Burston's Nursery.

Growing in Faith - New Videos Online:

Interested in learning more about our seminarians, the work of Caritas and how we care for our retired priests?, then visit the **Growing in Faith** website <http://rcdow.org.uk/growing-in-faith/> and watch five short videos on each of these pillars of our Church in Westminster.

The Church's Year in Liturgy & Music:

at Niland Conference Centre, Bushey, Saturday 29th November from 2pm - 4.30pm. 0208 950 4000

Calling all "Facebook" users:

When visiting "Facebook", please add "My Hospital Prayer and Activity Book" as a "like", to aid its publicity. This unique and original Catholic publication aims to help children pray if they are patients in hospital. All proceeds from the book go to "Seasons for Growth England & Wales", an education bereavement charity for children.

Last Weekend's Collection:

Envelopes: £993.58
Loose: £1015.29
Standing Orders: £474.46.
Much appreciated.