

PARISH

Sick & Retired Priests Collection: This weekend. Envelopes available.

First Communion & Holy Souls List: available at the back of church.

Ascent Group: will next meet in the parish centre on Tuesday, 3rd November 2015 for a Harvest Lunch after midday Mass.

Holy Rood Social Club Mass for Deceased Members: 5th November at 8pm at the Social Club in Tolpits Lane, Watford.

SVP First Friday Lunch: is on Friday 6th November after the 12 noon Mass.

Annual Blessing of Graves

Vicarage Road Saturday 7th November at 2.30pm.
North Watford Cemetery Sunday 8th November at 2.30pm.

Ascent Group: There will be a meal at the Moon Under Water on Wednesday, 11th November 2015 - meet at the Church at 12.30pm. Please leave your name on the sign-up list. For more information contact Winnie on 334998/07702 094650 for more details.

Annual Dance Irish & Holy Rood Support Group Saturday 14th November. 8.30pm to Midnight. Great music by Jonny Jameson. Tickets £5. Bar. Raffle. At Holy Rood Social Club, Tolpits Lane, Watford. For information contact: Elizabeth 01923 233254.

Parish Fete November 22nd We welcome donations for the grand draw raffle, bric-a-brac, toy and tombola stalls. Bottles of wine and spirits, unwanted gifts, toiletries, chocolates, bottles/ cans of soft drinks etc. **Parish Grand Draw** tickets are at the back of the church. Please buy a book and return the counterfoils to the Parish Office.

Senior Citizen's Lunch. Sunday 6th December at 2pm in the Parish Centre. Please contact Deirdre, Parish Office if you wish to book a place at this lunch and also if you need transport. Tel: 01923 224085

Mass Count: Each year there is a count of the number of people attending Mass in all parishes in the country. In October the average number attending Mass in our parish was 1375.

Christmas Cards. Do look in the repository before buying your Christmas cards. There is also a selection of Christmas items on sale, including nativities, Advent calendars and wall calendars for 2016.

Holy Rood Social Club: has a vacancy for a doorman to work 7pm-11pm Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday also temporary bar staff needed. Contact John Kearney on 01923 238066 or email: holyroodclub@hotmail.com.

Holy Rood Catholic Primary School: Governing Body are consulting on the proposed Admissions Policy for 2017/2018. The consultation is open for responses up to 27th November 2015. Updated policy as well as all associated documentation, can be found on the school website: <http://www.holtroodcatholicprimaryschool.co.uk/>

Faure's Requiem Mass and the Cantique de Jean Racine at Holy Rood on March 18th 2016. Parishioners of all voices are invited to join with the Big Voices of Little Green for this performance. For more details email Gerry: gerryobeirne@ntlworld.com or sign up on list at the back of church.

LOCAL

BBC Flog It: is coming to St Albans Cathedral, on Thursday 12th November 2015 between 9.30am and 4pm. You are invited to bring along your antiques and collectables and have them valued free of charge by a team of experts.

The Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bushey: Talk on Tuesday 3rd November at 8pm - "**To Live is to Change:** Why did John XXIII Convene the Second Vatican Council?" Speaker: HE Cardinal Vincent Nichols.

Workshop on Communication, Listening Skills, Conflict Management (1) for effective pastoral management and personal life. Saturday 7th November 10am to 2pm. **(2)Scripture from Scratch** Making the BIBLE come ALIVE., Nov 12th & 26th. 7.30pm to 9pm. Niland Centre, Bushey. email livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk Tel: 0207 931 6078

Operation Rudolph: need volunteers to assemble and deliver hampers across Watford, to individuals and families facing a difficult Christmas, between 3rd - 5th December. Each hamper costs £30 to sponsor. Donations welcome. Leaflets available at the back of the church. Further details from christiansacrosswatford.org/operationrudolph

Free Safeguarding Training Available for All Members of the Catholic Community: The National Catholic Safeguarding Commission has worked with Educare to provide an online, interactive E-Learning safeguarding course which is now available to the Catholic Church. If you have a role working with children/ adults at risk or have an interest in safeguarding, the online training is a great opportunity to learn how to better protect children/ adults at risk. To register please email: safeguardingadmin@rcdow.org.uk with your following details: parish and your role. For more information please ask for a brochure from your safeguarding rep- details on noticeboard.

Funeral: Charlie Calvin Friday 6th November 12 noon

Last Weekend's Collection: Envelopes: £ 912.81 Loose: £ 765.64
Standing Orders: £ 498.38. Thank You Sincerely