

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS REFERENCE

Parents who intend to apply for a Catholic School or Nursery in 2015 / 2016 and wish a Holy Rood priest to support their application are being issued with Mass Attendance cards. This card is to be signed or stamped every weekend you attend Mass. When the time comes for the Priest's Reference Form to be signed parents will be asked to show this card. If a parent is not able to show a card which has been signed or stamped against the dates on the card the priest will not be able to confirm that they are practising Catholics.

### Mass Times & Intentions: 30th – 6th Dec

Monday	08.30	Holy Souls
	12.00	William O'Brien Anniv Willie Ryan RIP
Tuesday	08.30	Holy Souls
	12.00	Rita Corbert RIP/ Larry Collins RIP
Wednesday	08.30	Thomas Creighton RIP/ Judith Bogie RIP
	12.00	Jimmy & Alan Walsh RIP
Thursday	08.30	Christopher Leete Anniv
	12.00	Leonora Chaunts Anniv/ Alex & Enats/ Lucia & Marta RIP
Friday	08.30	Raj Lincoln RIP Peggy & Jimmy Shannon RIP
	12.00	Joe Di Ventura Funeral
Saturday	11.00	Private Intention
	19.00	Julia Fernald Anniv Margaret Jordan Anniv
<b>2nd Sunday of Advent</b> Bar 5:1-9, Ps 125:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5, 6, Phil 1:4- 6, 8-11, Luke 3:1-6	08.00	For the Parishioners
	09.30	Patrick Bourke & Eileen Kearns Anniv
	11.00	Caterina La Porta RIP Papa Emilio Sr Angeline RIP
	14.15	Polish Mass
	18.30	Baby Eve RIP/ Kitty Costello RIP

**Anniversaries: William Carroll, Alice Carroll, Julia Fernald, Leonora Chaunt, Fr Christopher Hamilton-Gary, Nancy Keating**



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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

## 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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### Sunday 29th Nov 2015

#### 1st Sunday of Advent (Year C)

**Readings: Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14, 1 Thess 3:12-4:2, Luke 21:25-28, 34-36 on pages 82 - 84 of the Parish Mass Book**

The Advent season is upon us. Do you know when and how long Advent is?

The Advent season always begins four Sundays before Christmas. It is rarely four full weeks long; usually it lasts between three and four weeks, depending on what weekday 25 December happens to be in a certain year.

The First Sunday of Advent marks the beginning of the church year. It can be as early as 27 November or as late as 3 December.

What does the word "Advent" mean?

When capitalized, "Advent" usually refers to "the coming of Christ into the world" or to "the liturgical period preceding Christmas".

In secular English, "advent" (when not capitalized) may refer to any "coming" or "arrival," especially of something so important that it radically changes a whole culture (e.g., "The advent of electricity" or "The advent of the computer age").

(Material provided by Rev. Felix Just, S.J., at <http://catholic-resources.org>)