

# 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
<b>Sat 1st 19.00</b>	C.Wildey M.Dahl		<u>M.Carroll</u> , C.Allard, D.Kumar, B.Thomas, L.Webb	L. Joyce
<b>Sun 2nd 8.00</b>	P.Vidler B.McGovern	Team B	<u>N.Dyckhoff</u> , A.Hinton J.Bogie, E.Timmons, G. Hinton	McGuigan family
<b>09.30</b>	M.Clarke-Gonsalves S.Varghese	M. Griffin	S.Bailey, J. Jais, C. Ramsey, K.Sheridan, N.Wilson-Whitman	M.Griffin M.Maguire
<b>11.00</b>	S. Matthews M. Thurlow	Team B	<u>I.Douglas</u> , N.Ford, <u>N.Dyckhoff</u> , E.Madrazo, <u>J.Morgan</u> , K.Aldous, C.Williams	Perez-Mateo family
<b>18.30</b>	I.Barrett		<u>A.Fusi</u> , M.Cooper, G.Lim, A.Hooper, N.Garibaldi	Garibaldi family

**Cleaning:** Team B. 4th November.  
**Sunday Coffee** Tess & co. Next week: Mick.  
**Saturday Coffee Shop** after 11.00 Mass. November 8th Mary & Joan



Holy Rood is a Fairtrade parish

## Mass Times & Intentions: 3rd - 9th November

Monday	08.30	Holy Souls	
	12.00	Anne Curran	RIP
Tuesday	08.30	Holy Souls	
	12.00	William O'Rourke	Anniv.
Wednesday	08.30	Holy Souls	
		Dennis Berenger	RIP
	12.00	Jimmy & Peggy Shannon	RIP
		Tim Sullivan	RIP
Thursday	08.30	Stephen Kiely	RIP
	12.00	Holy Souls	
		Maciej Ciwoniuk	Anniv.
Friday	08.30	Rose Critcher	RIP
		Alfredo Malig	RIP
	12.00	Thomas Marren	FUNERAL
Saturday	11.00	Catholic Womens' League	
	19.00	Holy Souls	
		Patrick Keating	Anniv.
<b>Lateran Basilica</b>	08.00	Holy Souls	
Ez 47:1-2, 8-12, Ps 45, 1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17, Jn 2:13-22	09.30	For the Parishioners	
	11.00	John Downing	Anniv.
		Steve Kiely	Anniv.
	14.15	Polish Mass	
	18.30	Philip Lee	Anniv.

**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:** Tom Murphy, William O'Rourke, Patrick Keating, Maciej Ciwoniuk, John Coelho, Jim Timmons, Steve Kiely, Brian Devereux

**Recently Deceased:** Thomas Marren : Fernanda Krupa

## Holy Rood Catholic Church, Watford

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Italian Chaplain: Fr Alberto Vico - 0208 207 5713

## Sunday 2nd November 2014

### All Saints

Readings from: Apocalypse 7:2-4, 9-14, Psalm 23:1-6, 1 John 3:1-3, Matthew 5:1-12  
on pages 184 – 187 of the Parish Mass Book



Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children" 1 John 3:1-3

Today we celebrate a great feast of the Church, we celebrate the Church as a community of people, a communion of saints.

Sometimes we think of the saints as, almost mythical people, who lived long ago and performed heroic deeds, though we have some very human examples of sainthood in our

own time. Just a few weeks ago we celebrated the feast of St John Paul. So what does it mean to be a saint?

Pope Benedict XVI tells us, "To become saints means to fully comply with what we already are, raised to the dignity of God's adopted children in Christ Jesus". To be a saint, is to be fully human, as Jesus was fully human himself.

In the Gospel Jesus tells us of the characteristics of the people of the kingdom of heaven; poor in spirit, gentle, merciful, peacemakers. As part of their humanity they suffer hunger and persecution and they mourn. Perhaps we can think of many saints who fit these descriptions, people who have modelled their lives on Christ.

St John gives us a picture of heaven, the final judgment, where the white robe, the palm and the songs of praise on their lips are the symbols of sainthood of those who are gathered before the throne of the Lamb.

Let us give thanks for them today and to God for calling us, too, his children.