

CARITAS - LOVE IN ACTION

Another parish in England had a piece of derelict land within their grounds. A parishioner suggested that the parish create a garden from it. The parish wanted to do something for the environment, so they agreed. For ten years, they gathered as a community to grow fruits and vegetables. The produce was sold to parishioners, with the proceeds donated to various charities. Through this project, the parish recognised their reliance on the earth and found ways to care for the environment that God has entrusted to us.

In the coming weeks we are launching an opportunity to take part in developing our Love in Action Parish Plan, to reflect together on how our parish will respond to the needs of our community having looked at the guidelines of Caritas.

Mass Times & Intentions: 6th - 12th July
Weekday Masses will be celebrated in the Main Hall of the Parish Centre apart from the funeral of John McTeague at 12noon on Tuesday.

Monday	08:30	Alfonso Esquerre Intention Giovannina Castagnetti RIP
	12.00	Marie Magdalene Jatta RIP
Tuesday	08:30	Fr Ivano's intention
	12.00	John McTeague Funeral
Wednesday	08:30	Karen Prichard RIP
	12.00	Rita Joyce Anniv
Thursday	08:30	Special Intention
	12.00	Andy Smith RIP
Friday	08:30	Diane Leete Anniv / Joe Ibrahim RIP
	12.00	Ralph Kent RIP
Saturday	11.00	Pat Kelly RIP
	19.00	Michael Cahill RIP
15th Sunday	08.00	Deceased members of Morse & Houlihan families
Amos 7:12-15, Ps 84: 9-14, Eph 1:3-14, Mark 6:7-13	09.30	Felix Jayakoddy RIP
	11.00	Paul Downing Intention / Mary Frances Percy's mother RIP & family intention
	14.15	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	18.30	For the parishioners

Anniversaries: Gennaro de Piano, Pat Furey, Maureen Delaney, Tony White, Rita Joyce

Recently deceased: Eddie Dempsey, Joseph Mulkerrins

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

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 5th July 2015

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

Readings: Ezekiel 2:2-5, Psalm 122, 2 Corinthians 12:7-10, Mark 6:1-6 on pages 103 - 106 of the Parish Mass Book



Caritas Love in Action Parish Plan

Holy Rood Parish has been asked by CARITAS WESTMINSTER to pilot a new programme named 'Love in Action'. It is hoped that the programme will be eventually used in other parishes of the Diocese. In 'Love in Action' we are asked to explain Catholic Social Teaching,

implement Catholic Social Action by reaching out to all those with any kind of need, and to celebrate what we are already doing.

The last theme of Caritas – Love in Action programme is “care of creation”. “The book of Genesis tells us that God created man and woman entrusting them with the task of filling the earth and subduing it, which does not mean exploiting it, but nurturing and protecting it, caring for it through their work”. (Pope Francis, *Feast of St Joseph the Worker*, 2013)

Have we exploited the earth? Do we think about where the produce we buy comes from, or its impact on creation? Are we good stewards of this wonderful gift that God has given us?