

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
Sat 8th 19.00	B. Lincoln J. Harris		<u>C. Stamp</u> , M. Defriez, R. Defriez, J. Rego, M. Gallagher	Cullen family
Sun 9th 8.00	M. Mulkerrins C. Mort	Team C	<u>D. Cooper</u> , M. Joseph, J. Morse, R. Nkemdirim, N. Dyckhoff	Coleman family
09.30	L. Mayuga D. St Rose	J. O'Beirne	<u>D. Jose</u> , J. Delaney, B. Brown, J. Dempsey, A. Mulligan	O' Beirne family
11.00	A. Johnson M. Hitchens	Team C	<u>D. Murphy</u> , M. Ellwood, <u>R. D'Souza</u> , K. Aldous, <u>E. Madrazo</u> , J. Morgan, N. Dyckhoff	C. Maguire & family
18.30	A. Fusi A. Fusi		<u>W. Dopson</u> , A. Hooper, M. Cooper, N. Garibaldi, G. Lim	Murray family

Cleaning: Team C. 11th November. Team D. 15th November.

Sunday Coffee Mick. Next week: *Aitana & Carlos*

Saturday Coffee Shop after 11.00 Mass. November 15th Carmel & Grace



Holy Rood is a Fairtrade parish

Mass Times & Intentions: 10th - 16th November

Monday	08.30	Margaret Lyons RIP/ Holy Souls
	12.00	Pat Carney Funeral
Tuesday	08.30	Holy Souls / Michael McEvoy Anniv. Fernando Krupa RIP
	12.00	No Mass
Wednesday	08.30	Margaret Lyons RIP
	12.00	Holy Souls / Brian Devereux Anniv. Carmine & Rosa Cotugno RIP
Thursday	08.30	Holy Souls / Maureen Langlois Sp. Int.
	12.00	Bridget Walsh RIP / Thomas & Barbara Rooney Int.
Friday	08.30	Holy Souls
	12.00	Giovanni Secondina Baccino RIP/Giovanni Trombetta Anniv. / V.V. Joseph Anniv.
Saturday	11.00	Holy Souls / In Thanksgiving / Callum Early Anniv.
	19.00	For the Parishioners
33rd Sunday	08.00	Jim Timmons Anniv./Kevin McQuillan RIP Deceased members of Ouro Gnao RIP
Pro.31, 10-31, Ps 127, 1 Thess 5:1-6, Mt 25:14-30	09.30	James Wilkinson RIP/ F.E.Ramboanga Int.
	11.00	Holy Souls / Fr Giuseppe Anniv.
	14.15	Polish Mass
	18.30	For the Parishioners

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: V. V. Joseph, Michael McEvoy, Patrick Keating, John Downing, Giovanni Trombetta, Callum Early, Patrick & Christine Mulkerrins, Steve Kiely, Philip Lee, Tina Harmes, Edith Mackay and Brian Devereux.

Recently Deceased: Pat Carney and Mark Simpson

The funeral of Pat Carney is on Monday 10th November at 12 noon at Holy Rood

Holy Rood Catholic Church, Watford

Clergy: Canon Paul McAleenan, Fr Ivano Millico and Deacon Neville Dyckhoff

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Italian Chaplain: Fr Alberto Vico - 0208 207 5713

Sunday 9th November 2014

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Readings from: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9,12, Psalm 45: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9, 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17, John 2:13-22 on pages 192 – 194 of the Parish Mass Book



“Didn’t you realise that you were God’s temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you?” 1 Corinthians 3:16

The basilica of Saint John Lateran was built in the early 4th century, it is the oldest church in the world and the Cathedral of the Bishop of Rome, Pope Francis.

Today’s readings speak of, not a cathedral but the Temple, the holy place of the people of God. The prophet Ezekiel describes the Temple as the source of life. Water

flows out from the Temple to the east. The flow increases until it is a river “impossible to cross” and it brings “health and life”. Trees grow on the banks and fish and living creatures are plentiful. It is an image of all that is good, an image of God’s kingdom.

When we understand the importance of the Temple as God’s house, we can begin to understand Jesus’ anger when he finds it treated as a market place. But Jesus extends the image of the “sanctuary” to himself. His body is the sanctuary and his body will rise from the dead.

St Paul extends the image of temple again. Speaking to the Church in Corinth he says, “You are God’s building”. The Church is the temple and it is founded on Jesus Christ and inhabited by the Spirit of God. Like Jesus, he is clear, the temple of God is sacred and not to be destroyed.

Do we value our Church as we should? As St Paul? As Jesus in his anger and Ezekiel in his vision? For it is, and we are, truly the temple of God.