



Holy Rood Catholic Church

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Sunday 18th August 2019 - Year C Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time (Psalter 4)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.15pm Saturday 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am, & 5.30pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 11.00am-11.30am & 5.15pm-6.00pm - Wednesday: 6.15pm-6.45pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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| Sun 18th August | 6.15pm | Souls of 8 Graham Street | |
| | 8.00am | Kynastan, Kate & Kenan (Thanksgiving) | |
| | 9.30am | Leopoldo Pereira (RIP)(30 th Ann) | |
| | 11.00am | Tony O'Callaghan (RIP) | |
| | 5.30pm | People of the Parish | |
| Mon 19th August | 8.00am | Birthday (Thanksgiving) | <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i> |
| Tues 20th August | 8.00am | Joao De Souza (RIP)(1 st Ann) | <i>Memorial of St Bernard</i> |
| Wed 21st August | 5.45pm | Assencao Dacunha (Birthday) | <i>Memorial of St Pius X</i> |
| Thur 22nd August | 9.00am | Melsh Pinto (Thanksgiving) | <i>Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> |
| Fri 23rd August | 8.00am | Fr Jozo Zovko | <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i> |
| | 5.45pm | Thanksgiving to Mother Mary | |
| Sat 24th August | 8.00am | Jayden (4 th Birthday) | <i>Feast of St Bartholomew</i> |
| | 6.15pm | Ella Grace Nowicka (RIP)(1 st Ann) | |

Sunday Readings: Jer 38:4-6,8-10; Ps 39; Heb 12:1-4; Luke 12:49-53

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Lord, come to my aid!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: With the Lord there is mercy; in Him is plentiful redemption.

Next Week's Readings: Is 66:18-21; Ps 116; Heb 12:5-7,11-13; Luke 13:22-30

18th August - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Today's Gospel does not make for comfortable reading. For many of us Jesus is the 'Prince of Peace' not someone who wishes to bring conflict into people's lives. Jesus turns, what we might think of as the norm, upside down. He speaks of the humble and the poor being blessed and the rich and powerful being turned away. This teaching of Jesus has caused many to resist and challenge Christianity. In Jesus' own life resistance to his message led to his death on a cross. Despite this he responded with non-violence, love and forgiveness. On our journey of faith, we will meet resistance when we challenge the status quo. We will lose friends and even family. May our response be as Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

NOTICES:

COLLECTIONS

Week ending **11/08/19**

Main Collection **£3171.74**

Green Envelopes **£271.40**

300 CLUB WINNERS:

1st Prize £50 Sister M Mulkeen

2nd Prize £20 Miss M Eldridge

3rd Prize £15 Mrs M Carthew

4th Prize £10 Miss N Bint

Please collect your winnings from the parish office during office hours.

APF – MILL HILL MISSION A hearty thank you for the wonderful support you gave the Missio APF-Mill Hill Red box appeal last weekend; 65 parishioners joined the Red box scheme and several children's starter packs were also distributed; 1 person signed a direct debit and several of you promised to do the same. There were also some cash donations. Your response reflects your generosity and of how much you are still prepared to give despite the many calls upon your time and resources. If you took a Red box, please remember to nominate a coin to drop into it as this is by far the best way (and fun way) of remembering to donate to the missions' long term. Say your prayer too. Please listen out for announcements as to how your box will be emptied by Mrs Christine Haines and her team of promoters. If you missed the appeal last weekend and would like to have a mission box in your home, please contact Christine personally. New members can receive a copy of our magazine Mission Today distributed by the team too. My sincere appreciation to Canon Cunningham and your administrative team for their support of the appeal. God bless you all. Children starter boxes will also be available for collection this weekend as promised. **Brother Eddie**

PARISH PILGRIMAGES: If you are interested in going on a parish pilgrimage led by Canon John to Lourdes in May 2020 or Rome in September 2020 could you please contact the parish office.

BOOKSTALL: My Day By Day for August and September and Mass Books are on sale this weekend. For other requests, see Julia.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Paul Hale, organist of Southwell Minster, an internationally renowned recitalist and Organ Consultant, will be performing at Holy Rood on 12th September 2019 at 7.00pm. Please come along and support this event.

RCIA: Interested in becoming a Catholic? If so please contact Anna in the parish office.

THE KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA are holding their annual sponsored walk at Coate Water Park, Swindon on Sunday 22nd Sept starting at 2pm. It is in aid of the Knights disadvantaged and disabled fund. If you have a worthy cause of your own, you may donate 50% of the funds you raise. So why not walk or sponsor someone to walk on what we hope will be a good day. Sponsor forms are available at all churches or by contacting Jim Donovan on 01793 723016.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE are holding a Year 6 Open Evening on Wednesday 2 October 2019, starting at 6.00pm for prospective parents and Year 6 students. We hope to see you there.

STARTING SCHOOL? If you have a child born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016, then now is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from September 2020 onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of *Swindon Borough Council*. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you must also provide a copy of the baptism certificate. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of 15 January 2020

DO SOMETHING AMAZING – GIVE BLOOD:

Your Local Session Needs You:
Swindon Town FC, County Ground,
County Road, Swindon, SN1 2ED
Sunday 25th August 12:30 – 16:00 & 16:50 – 19:15. To book an appointment please call 0300 123 2323 or visit blood.co.uk

PARKING: While our parking area is limited because of building work, please remember that the area with double yellow lines is for the use of Blue Badge holders. If you are able to walk 200 metres to church, there is free parking on Sundays in town centre car parks such as Spring Gardens and Princes Street.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please contact the parish office 6 months prior to your marriage.
To book yourself onto a marriage course please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk
email: appointments@marriagecare.org.uk
tel: 08003893801 or 01159934255.