



Holy Rood Catholic Church

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Administrator: Mrs Anna Cummins (**Office Hours:** Closed until further notice)

Please contact the office by phone or email regarding any administrative requests

Sunday 11th October 2020 - Year A Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 11.00am-11.30am & 4.30pm-5.00pm

This Weeks Mass Times

Saturday 10th October (Vigil)	6.15pm	Teresa McDonagh (RIP)(13 th Ann)	
Sunday 11th October	7.00am	Holy Souls	
	8.00am	Aloysius Albert Clement (RIP)	
	9.00am	People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Thanksgiving to St Anthony	
	11.00am	Vida Freeman (Thanksgiving)	
	5.30pm	Paddy Reape (RIP)	
Monday 12th October	8.00am	Angelo Bozzuto (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Ana, Rita & Jose Afonso (RIP)	
Tuesday 13th October	8.00am	Hazel (Thanksgiving)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Souls of Joseph & Mary	
Wednesday 14th October	8.00am	John & Gracy Fernandes (Wedd Ann)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Baby Sarra (RIP)	
Thursday 15th October	8.00am	Cynthia (Thanksgiving)	<i>Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila)</i>
	5.45pm	Holy Souls	
Friday 16th October	8.00am	Justiniano Fernandes & Regina Cabral (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Francisco Xavier Vas & Lauriana Estibero (RIP)	
Saturday 17th October	8.00am	Dominic & Fatima (Thanksgiving)	<i>Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch</i>
	6.15pm	Brian & Shanti Dias (5yr Wedd Ann)	

NOTICES

LAST WEEKS COLLECTION

04/10/20 - £2300.50

Green Envelopes - £135.50

WE WELCOME Fr Thomas to our parish as he takes up his appointment as Assistant Priest here at Holy Rood. We wish him every blessing as he begins his Priestly journey.

FR RICHARD There will be a second collection taken this weekend and next weekend in thanksgiving to Fr Richard, for all his hard work and support whilst residing at Holy Rood. If you would like to make a donation but are currently unable to attend Mass please post your donation through the presbytery door marked 'For Fr Richard's presentation'.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES FOR PRIVATE PRAYER Monday – Saturday 8.30am-9.30am

HOLY ROOD PARISH REGISTRATION:

Please log on to the parish website and follow the instructions on how to register. After registering you will receive an email, please check your Junk folder if it does not appear in your inbox.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

Sunday 1st November at 2pm – Whitworth Road Cemetery

Sunday 15th November at 2pm – Kingsdown Cemetery

MY DAY BY DAY for October (£1) and Catholic Diary 2021 (£3.30) available from Julia A, after 8am Mass Monday - Friday or phone 01793 534743.

Missio RED BOX holders: If you have a red box at home and wish to empty it, you can donate the value of the contents direct using the details at missio.org.uk/donate/ or you can collect an envelope from Holy Rood after Mass on either the 3rd or 4th of October and return after Mass on 10th or 11th of October. If you need an envelope, but cannot come to church at the moment, please email the local Missio treasurer, Eric on eholliday21@virginmedia.com to arrange a house call. Thank you to everyone for their continuing support in these difficult times.

RETRouvaille MARRIAGE SUPPORT:

For the virtual programme dates and more information please follow the link:
<https://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/>

SWINDON MARRIAGE CARE are continuing to offer their services and courses online during the pandemic. For more information or to book for marriage preparation click this [link](#) and for relationship counselling and support click [here](#).

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE are actively looking for new governors and in particular for potential governors with experience or an understanding of educational and Religious Education matters. More information can be found on the link below the newsletter link.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC PRIMARY

SCHOOL has spaces available in Reception classes for this year. We are only a short walk away from Holy Rood Church and the town centre. We look forward to welcoming your family into our family.

HOLY ROOD CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

We currently have spaces in our Reception Class (Children born September 2015 - August 2016) Please contact the school regarding spaces in other Year groups. We are located next to Holy Rood Church.

SACRAMENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021: Please enrol your child via the website:

<https://www.holyroodswindon.co.uk/>

REFLECTION

In his first exhortation, 'The Joy of the Gospel', Pope Francis reminds us of the key message which lies at the heart of Christianity: "Jesus Christ loves you, he gave his life for you, and now he is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you." This is the first proclamation, the Kerygma which we as Christians are called to proclaim. It is the Good News, the really good news of an invitation to a banquet – not just any banquet but the great banquet of the Lord. Everyone is invited but either through a lack of awareness or complete indifference not everyone accepts the invitation. There are also those who will ridicule or attack us when we try to offer the invitation. We cannot give up – we are sent to the four corners of the earth, to anyone who will listen so that all can hear and respond, as they choose. It is not just about saying yes to the invitation, it is about saying yes in all its fullness to following Jesus, whatever the cost.