



Holy Rood Catholic Church

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

Sunday 18th October 2020 - Year A Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

CONFESSION TIMES

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

This Weeks Mass Times

Saturday 17th October (Vigil)	6.15pm	Brian & Shanti Dias (5yr Wedd Ann)	
Sunday 18th October	7.00am	Holy Souls	
	8.00am	Holy Souls	
	9.00am	Domingos (Thanks)	
	10.00am	Angela Bilotta (RIP)	
	11.00am	Francesco Virgilio (RIP)	
	5.30pm	People of the Parish	
Monday 19th October	8.00am	Francisco Cabral (Thanksgiving)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Bram & Margaret Webb (Ann)	
Tuesday 20th October	8.00am	Clara Rodrigues (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Holy Souls	
Wednesday 21st October	8.00am	Holy Souls	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Benefactors of the Parish	
Thursday 22nd October	8.00am	Cheryl & Godfrey Dias (Thanksgiving)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Andia Fernandes (Thanksgiving)	
Friday 23rd October	8.00am	Antonio Fernandes (4 th Ann)(RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Dylan D'Silva (Birthday)	
Saturday 24th October	8.00am	Alisha Pereira (Thanksgiving)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	6.15pm	Rodrigues Family (Thanksgiving)	

NOTICES

LAST WEEKS COLLECTION

11/10/20 - £1669.00

Green Envelopes - £87.00

Second Collection for Peters Pence - £316.00

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY: Thank you to all who have donated to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal.

HOLY SOULS: There will be a basket in front of the Altar throughout November for Holy Souls intentions.

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 November now available from Julia A after 8am Mass Monday -Friday or phone 01793 534743.

TUESDAY 27TH OCTOBER is the 53rd anniversary of the Abortion Act being passed in England and Wales. Since 1967 over nine million babies have lost their lives to abortion. Millions of women and men have also had to deal with the suffering which so often follows an abortion. Please join us in praying and fasting for the end of abortion in this country on Tuesday 27th October. For Post Abortion help and to support Pro-Life counselling see; www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

THIS IS WORLD MISSION MONTH Please follow the link for a variety of resources <https://missiontogether.org.uk/calendar/home-and-parish-resources/>.

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](#).

Clifton Diocese and Downside Abbey

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 28 July to 6 August

2021: Father Colin Mason, who is the Vocations Director for Clifton Diocese, will be one of the Spiritual Directors on next year's pilgrimage to the Holy Land. This is the third such trip which has been designed specifically for young UK Catholic adults in the age range 18 to 35ish. In addition to celebrating Mass at some of the Holiest places on Earth, exploring places mentioned in the Bible and other historic sites, we also have a lot of fun! Imagine swimming in the Dead Sea, rafting down the Jordan River, and camping out in the Judean Desert! To get a better idea of what it will be like, please check out YouCAN Instagram handle [youngcatholicadult-networkuk](https://www.instagram.com/youngcatholicadult-networkuk). You can also see pics of last year's trip at <https://youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk/> In our present situation we are just asking for a £150 reservation fee to gauge interest, returnable should we decide, for whatever reason, not to go. About a third of the places have already been booked. Contact the organiser rina@young-catholicadultnetwork.uk for Itinerary, pricing and booking form. Hope that you can make it!

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.

SACRAMENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021: Please enrol your child via the website: <https://www.holyroodswindon.co.uk/>

REFLECTION

Jesus is very clear that we are called to serve God and be a good citizen at the same time. God works in and through every stratum of society to build community. We are instruments of God's love and desire for unity. Rarely, except in situations of social justice, do we find ourselves in conflict with what the law asks of us and what our conscience is telling us. When we do, we must speak out, but with compassion, with love and with respect. God needs each one of us to serve the wider community, to build relationships wherever we are. Witnessing to God's presence by my own life gives dignity and worth to those around me.