

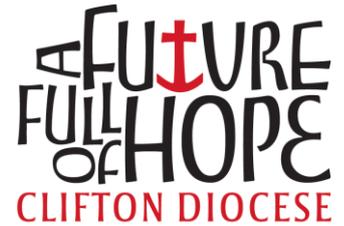
# Holy Rood Catholic Church

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## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020 - Year A Solemnity of All Saints

### CONFESSION TIMES

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

### This Weeks Mass Times

Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> October (Vigil)	6.15pm	Claudina Rebello (RIP)	
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	7.00am	People of the Parish	
	8.00am	Sasha (Thanksgiving)	
	9.00am	Richard Tworek (RIP)(Ann)	
	10.00am	Stanislaw Kruk (RIP)	
	11.00am	Belita Fernandes (Thanksgiving)	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	5.30pm	Llauderres & Lawer Family	
	8.00am	Deceased Jenkins & Cunningham Families (RIP)	<i>All Souls' Day</i>
	12noon	Holy Souls	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	5.45pm	Deceased Tworek, Molyn, Szatkowski, Kondrat & Sztajer Families	
	8.00am	Deceased Miele & Fiore Families	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	5.45pm	Rocky Jenet Family (RIP)	
	8.00am	Rita Gornley (RIP)	<i>Memorial of St Charles Borromeo</i>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	5.45pm	Aninha (85 <sup>th</sup> Birthday)	
	8.00am	Mercia Gonsalves (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	5.45pm	People suffering from suicidal thoughts	
	8.00am	Vilu Rosario (Thanksgiving)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	5.45pm	Prisca & Francisco DeAraujo (Thanksgiving)	
	8.00am	Jude Correia (Good Health)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	6.15pm	Kathleen Shea (RIP)	

## NOTICES

### LAST WEEKS COLLECTION

25/10/20 - £1891

Green Envelopes - £150

Mission Sunday Collection - £1115

### PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FUND - ANNUAL

**APPEAL:** The Annual Appeal, in support of the Priest's Retirement Fund, will take place during the weekend of 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> November.

Your support for this important collection is much appreciated by our retired priests, who continue to give great help in many parishes by offering their services as supply priests.

There are Gift Aid envelopes available in the porch for your donation, please return the envelope next weekend.

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

**SUNDAY MASSES** have been reaching their attendance capacity. If you find that you are sadly turned away from a Sunday Mass please remember that you can attend the weekday Masses, as the obligation for attending Sunday Mass is still suspended. There is lots of space on the evening Masses at 5.45pm.

### BLESSING OF GRAVES:

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 2pm – Whitworth Road Cemetery

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm – Kingsdown Cemetery

Please pray for the souls in Purgatory. Please visit our Home Worship page for prayers and information on how to gain indulgences during November.

<https://www.holyroodswindon.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/During-the-whole-month-of-November.pdf>

**MY DAY BY DAY** for November now available from Julia A after 8am Mass Monday -Friday or phone 01793 534743.

**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:** Designed specifically for young UK

Catholic adults in the age range 18 to 35ish.

To get an idea of what it will be like, please check out YouCAN Instagram handle [youngcatholicadultnetworkuk](#). 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@youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk](mailto:rina@youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk) for Itinerary, pricing and booking form. Hope that you can make it!

### ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

are actively looking for new governors. More information can be found on the link below the newsletter link.

## REFLECTION

Today we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, a feast that brings into focus all those who lead good and often holy lives but are not officially recognised by the Church as being 'Saints'. The church introduced this feast in order to recognise the early Christian martyrs, many of whom were never known by name but who lived faithful Christian lives and who died for their faith. We may not have known anyone who has died for their faith but most of us have met people who have devoted their life to living the values of the Gospel. They are the people who strive to live generously and compassionately. These people are not heroic in the normal sense of the word, but their lives often are heroic. They are the people who are ready go the extra mile for others and then slip away un-noticed. When we think of holiness what do we imagine? Perhaps one definition of holiness is the capacity to live without hankering after the past or imagining the future but being able to focus on the present moment. Such people are attentive to what is going on around them and in doing so can respond to whatever is asked of them. During the pandemic we have seen many such people, heroically giving endlessly to meet the needs of others. These are the blessed people. Today's Gospel invites each one of us live humble, peaceful, and wholesome (holy) lives with Christ at the heart of all our actions and words.