



Holy Rood Catholic Church

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Sunday 10th October 2021 - Year B Twenty Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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

Saturday 9 th October (Vigil Mass)	6.15pm	Rosa Francis (RIP)	
Sunday 10 th October	8.00am	People of the Parish	
	9.30am	Ruzai Gonsalves (RIP)	
	11.00am	Vida Freeman (Thanksgiving)	
	5.30pm	William Reilly (RIP)	
Monday 11 th October	8.00am	Janie Fernandes (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Nicolau Jose & Tereza Cardozo (RIP)	<i>Ordinary Time</i>
Tuesday 12 th October	8.00am	Angelo Bozzuto (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Thanksgiving	<i>Ordinary Time</i>
Wednesday 13 th October	8.00am	Sr Catherine Sheehan SMG (RIP)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Flavia Fernandes (Birthday)	<i>Ordinary Time</i>
Thursday 14 th October	8.00am	Joao Jorge Fernandes (Good Health)	<i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>
	5.45pm	Elvira Fernandes (Birthday)(Good Health)	<i>Ordinary Time</i>
Friday 15 th October	8.00am	Tiago & Perpetua (RIP)	<i>Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus</i>
	5.45pm	Valencia Serrao (Thanksgiving)	<i>of Jesus</i>
Saturday 16 th October	8.00am	Lourenco Estrochio (1 st Ann)(RIP)	<i>Solemnity of the Anniversary</i>
	6.15pm	Agustine Lopes (Ann)(RIP)	<i>of the Dedication of Parish Churches</i>

Sunday Readings: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 89; Heb 4:12-13; Mark 10:17-30

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

Next Week's Readings: Is 53:10-11; Ps 32; Heb 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45

NOTICES

03/10/21 Main Collection £2848

Green Envelopes £113

Thank you for your generosity.

BOOKING MASSES Please collect an envelope from the church porch to book a Mass. Once you have completed the details place your offering into the envelope and post it through the office door. If your requested Mass is not available, the nearest available Mass will be booked.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE Meeting in the parish room on Wednesday 13/10/21 at 1.15pm.

CALLED TO MORE an event of all teenagers and young People will be held at Saint Peter's Church on Sat. 09/10 at 11am. Inspiring talks, Holy Adoration, Gospel Music, action songs, Mass and much MORE... do witness the event Called to More.

SECOND SUNDAY KONKANI MASS at Holy Rood Church on Sunday the 10/10 at 3 pm.

THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF PILAR will be celebrated at Holy Rood Church on Tuesday 12/10 at 7pm. Our lady of Pilar is the Patroness of the Pilar Fathers.

WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT CLIMATE

CHANGE? Join us on Saturday, 23 October, 11am at Clifton Cathedral for the Clifton Climate Liturgy. Please see the notice board for more information.

BIBLE HUB ALIVE EVENT 2021: The Chosen Youth Swindon invites people aged 13 onwards to join them as they celebrate 1 year of the Online Bible Hub. It will include worship, talks, testimony and activities. Time & Date: Saturday 23rd October, 2pm-4pm. Doors open at 1:30pm. Location: Holy Rood Church, Swindon. Pre-registrations are compulsory. Please tap [here](#) to register. Save the date!

MISSIO / Red boxes / World Mission Sunday. The treasurer will be in the parish room after Masses on 23rd & 24th October to see promoters, empty boxes and distribute the autumn Missio magazines. You will also be able to make Missio donations by electronic bank transfer. If you are unable to make the dates & still need a red box emptied, please contact the treasurer on eholliday21@virginmedia.com to make alternative arrangements. Thanks to everyone for their ongoing support and prayers.

CALLED TO SERVE IN MUSIC MINISTRY?

The Sunday 5.30 music group, invite you to stay behind after Mass on Sunday 7th November to learn a bit about what is involved. Your gift might be in singing, or playing and instrument, operating a laptop or our audio-visual system, setting up / clearing away, organising our rotas – all needed. We look forward to meeting you.

YOUTH COUNCIL Bishop Declan wishes to form a Youth Council that will support the faith life of the young people within Clifton Diocese. To be involved, please follow this link [Diocesan Youth Council booklet](#) or see the poster for more information.

DARE TO DREAM: Please follow the link to listen to short inspiring reflections given by our diocesan priests.
<https://cliftondiocese.com/dare-to-dream/>

TIME TO START SCHOOL? Please apply now for a place at a Catholic primary school if your child was born between 01/09/17 – 31/08/18. Application forms are available from the school admissions team of the Swindon Borough Council, baptism certificates must be provided if child has been baptised. Closing date 15/01/22.

SCHOOL GOVERNORS NEEDED:

Please follow the link to view the Bishop's Video for School Governors: <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/governance> and click on the Recruitment tab. If you would like to apply to become a governor, please complete the online application form <https://schools.cliftondiocese.com/form-2> or contact Bill McEntee, Governance Officer via bill.mcentee@cliftondiocese.com or 07710094976.

SACRAMENTS

2021/22 Confirmation Catechists and Helpers

We are always looking for new faces to join our team, both adults and 16-18 year olds who are already confirmed. No experience necessary, so if you are looking for a way to serve your church community and feel called to work with our young people, please respond by contacting hrym.swindon@cliftondiocese.com.

FUNERALS

We pray for all those who have died recently.
Upcoming funerals at Holy Rood:
Marjorie Obradovic (RIP) 13/10/21 at 12noon

REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us to let go of everything to follow Jesus, who brings true wealth. St. Francis de Sales speaks similarly:

To let go of our external possessions means we must abandon everything into Our Lord's hands. Then, we must ask Our Lord for the true love He desires us to have for them. You can possess riches if you merely keep them in your home and not in your heart. You may take care to increase your wealth and resources provided it is done not only justly, but also honestly and charitably, and you use them for the honour and glory of God. We must love God first of all, and then after that, others.

To live Jesus, we must also give to Our Lord our imaginary possessions, such as honour, esteem and fame, so that in all things we seek God's glory. Our possessions are not our own. God has given them to us to cultivate and wants us to make them fruitful for the Kingdom on earth. Hence, we must take good care of them and use them as God wills. To be free from our possessions means to cut out all that is superfluous and not of God in our lives. Yet, no one prunes vines by hacking them with an axe but by cutting them very carefully with a pruning hook, one shoot at a time. We must do likewise with ourselves and take one step at a time. We can't arrive in a day where we aspire to be.

This holy pursuit of doing God's will in our lives is a huge undertaking. Still, it is not as great as the reward. A generous person can do anything with the help of the Creator. At every moment give the very heart of your heart to our Saviour. You will see that as this divine Lover takes His place in your heart, the world with all its futile pursuits will leave you, and you will live joyously in the total and perfect liberty of spirit as a child of God.

(Adapted from the writings of St. Francis de Sales.)