



Holy Rood Catholic Church

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Sunday 24th July 2022 - Year C Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Saturday 23 rd July (Vigil)	6.15pm	Lourenco Rodrigues(6 th Ann)(RIP)	
Sunday 24 th July	8.00am	Casmiro Desouza (RIP)	
	9.30am	Bryne Mascarenhas (Thanksgiving)	
	11.00am	People of the Parish	
	5.30pm	Bras Lawrence & Ana Rita Fernandes (RIP)	
Monday 25 th July	8.00am	Joaquim Valadores (RIP)	<i>Feast of St James</i>
	5.45pm	Anjelina & Louise Fernandes (RIP)	
Tuesday 26 th July	8.00am	Levita M Pegado (1 st Ann)(RIP)	<i>Memorial of St Joachim</i>
	5.45pm	Sacrofamilia Fernandes (Good Health)	<i>& St Anne</i>
Wednesday 27 th July	8.00am	Thanksgiving	<i>Weekday in</i>
	5.45pm	Pedro & Ielinha Fernandes (RIP)	<i>Ordinary Time</i>
Thursday 28 th July	8.00am	Deceased D'Souza Family	<i>Weekday in</i>
	5.45pm	Ancestors & Holy Souls	<i>Ordinary Time</i>
Friday 29 th July	8.00am	Francisco Pires & Estela Rodrigues (RIP)	<i>Memorial of St Martha</i>
	5.45pm	Francis Mario Rodrigues (RIP)	<i>St Mary & St Lazarus</i>
Saturday 30 th July	8.00am	Caitan Pires (RIP)	<i>Weekday in</i>
	6.15pm	Souls of Guppy Street	<i>Ordinary Time</i>

This Week's Readings: Gen 18:20-32; Ps 137; Col 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: God is in His holy place, God who unites those who dwell in His house; He himself gives might and strength to His people.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept Him He gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all His benefits.

Next Week's Readings: Eccl 1:2,2:21-23; Ps 89; Col 3:1-5,9-11; Luke 12:13-21

NOTICES

Main Collection 17/07/22 £2877, Green Envelopes £129 Sea Sunday £580.

Second Collection this weekend is for the Bishops Charitable Fund.

Thank you for your generosity.

Sunday 24th July we celebrate 'World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly' Grandparents and the Elderly can be a great witness into living out their vocation and what God's call is for them, but also advise our younger people discerning theirs. It's also important to think of and pray in thanksgiving to those who have inspired us in our lives, who may not be with us anymore.

Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness: a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future. Pope Francis

Lectio Divina: Friday mornings 10-10.45 am in the parish room.

Harbour Project Collection This weekend. Please leave your donations of biscuits, coffee and sugar in the black box in the main porch.

Peregrine Prayers: For those with cancer and other serious illness. 12 noon this Wednesday 27th July in the Parish Room.

Confirmation 2022/2023 – Registration is open for the next confirmation programme at Holy Rood. Registration is accessed through the Parish Registration link on the front page of the church website. Please do not register the same child more than once, and please note the age requirements for registration: candidates need to be in School Year 10 or above as from 1st September 2022. If you register a child younger than this, they will not be accepted on to this next programme. Thank you.

Five First Saturdays Devotion: Join us at Holy Rood on Saturday the 6th August at 2.30pm-4.00pm for devotional prayers and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, we will be receiving the statue of Our Lady of Fatima into the church during this first Saturday devotion Please follow the link for information of what is required for the devotion [Fatima](#)

7-9th October 2022 Young Catholic Adults (YCA) Weekend

Theme: "The Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics"

During the weekend of the 7th-9th October 2022, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (and socials). The talks are – Rachael Mackenzie from "Rachael's Vineyard" will be telling her conversion story (Sat) and Fr. Glaysher will be talking about the Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics (Sun).

Shroud of Turin: The Turin Shroud Exhibition will be visiting the Parish of St. John The Baptist Parish Centre, 2 Wingfield Road Trowbridge BA14 9EA` from Monday September 26th - Monday 3rd October. For more information please use the following links [The Shroud of Turin Exhibition](#) [The Shroud of Turin Website - Home Page](#)

FUNERALS

We continue to remember all those who are unwell and those who have died, in our prayers.

Upcoming Funerals at Holy Rood:

Carlo Carpinelli (RIP) 25/07/22, 12 noon.

Maria Phelps (RIP) 28/07/22, 10.30am

Sally Inskip (RIP) 29/07/22, 10.00am

Christina Ellenico (RIP) 02/08/22, 11.30am

Joao Fernandes (RIP) 04/08/22, 12noon (Konkani)

Reflection

Today's readings entreat us to ask daily for our true needs from God who desires to fulfill them. Here are a few of the many thoughts of St. Francis de Sales on prayer:

Our good Master shows us very clearly in the Our Father that we must first ask that God be acknowledged and adored by all. Then we ask for what is most necessary for us, that God's Kingdom come. The Kingdom is the beginning and end for which we live. We desire to be inhabitants of heaven. Next, we ask that God's will be done. After these requests, Our Lord makes it very clear that we must ask for our daily bread every day.

In prayer God comes into the garden of our soul and plants divine love. In time, as we cultivate in prayer what God has planted in our hearts, we gain confidence in our growing friendship with God. So close does our friendship flower that we even ask God to give us what we desire. So, as well as praising God in prayer, we also ask God for all that is good. We can ask God for anything with the condition that what we ask for is in accord with God's will and is for God's greater glory.

In prayer God gives us all the good thoughts we need to become whole. Prayer shows us how to perform all our actions well. Every action of those who reverence God is a continual prayer. Those who give alms, visit the sick, and practice other good works, are praying. They are voices praising God with their good actions.

The end of prayer is to desire only God. Our Saviour desires to plant in us an abundance of graces and blessings and even His heart, completely enflamed and burning with an incomparable love toward us. Let us pour out in His presence all our desires so that He may transform us entirely into Himself. How can we not open our heart in prayer to allow the Holy Spirit to flood it with divine love?

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

