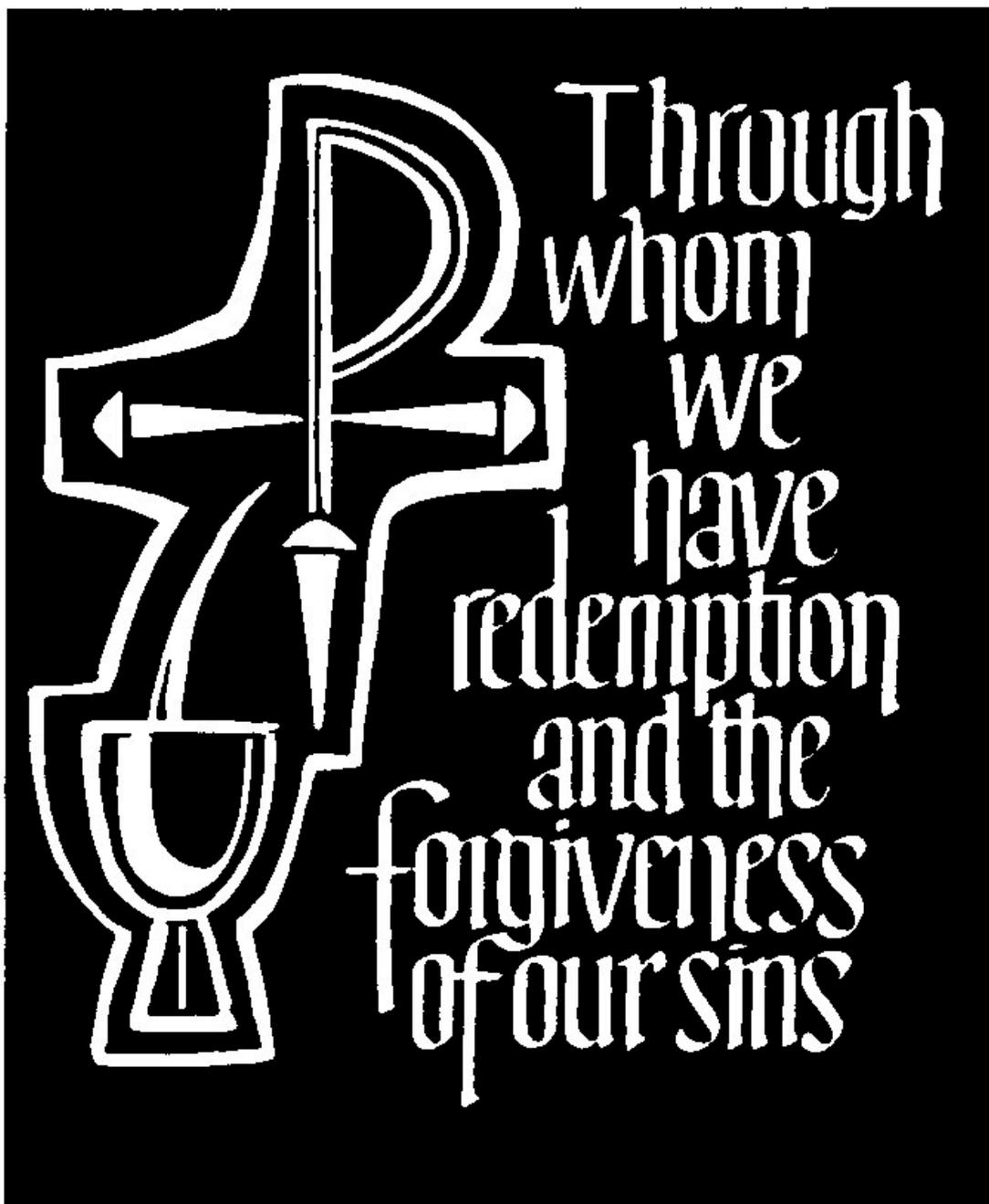

THE PARISHES OF
HOLY ROOD, BARNLSLEY
AND
OUR LADY & ST JAMES, WORSBROUGH
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*Welcome to Mass either at Holy Rood or Our Lady and St James!
 Welcome especially if you are a visitor or are worshipping with us for the first time.
 Please introduce yourself to Fr Damian
 and other members of our parish community.
 Please take this newsletter away with you after Mass and accept our warm invitation
 to join in a any of the activities listed on it.*

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Cycle of Prayer - Lent

During this time of year we are asked to pray for the following intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Women; Penitents and Wanderers.

Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners, family and friends. Also pray for those who have died especially Patrick Burke & John Durkin. May they rest in peace! Amen.

Mass Attendance last Sunday	Holy Rood - 355 Our Lady's - 41
Sunday Offering:	Holy Rood - £980.20 Our Lady's - £245.48
Monthly Standing Orders (Jan)	Holy Rood - £1878.00 Our Lady's - £760.00

Your continued generosity to our parishes is greatly appreciated!

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Confessions

Fr Damian will be available to anyone wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday mornings, 11-11.30am at Holy Rood and 5.15-5.45pm on Saturday evenings at Our Lady's. During these times the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed. Please use this opportunity to pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life in our Diocese.



is an anticipation of the Resurrection, but this presupposes death. Jesus expresses his glory to the apostles so that they may have the strength to face the scandal of the cross and understand that it is necessary to pass through many tribulations in order to reach the Kingdom of God. The Father's voice, which resounds from on high, proclaims Jesus his beloved Son as he did at the Baptism in the Jordan, adding: 'Listen to him.' To enter eternal life requires listening to Jesus, following him on the way of the cross, carrying in our heart, like him, the hope of the Resurrection." Taking to heart Jesus' example, we go forth unafraid, willing to bear hardship for the sake of the Gospel. O, Lord, we place our trust in

Sunday Reflection

Preaching about the Transfiguration, Pope Benedict XVI once said: "This is the crucial point: the Transfiguration

you.

Congratulations!

To all our first Holy Communion candidates who made their first Confessions a few weeks back. They will be presented with their certificates at the end of the 9.30am Mass today. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they continue their Sacramental preparation.

Children's Liturgy

The children's liturgy resumes this week at the 11am Sunday Mass in Holy Rood.

Mass Time Changes

On Thursday 5th March, Mass at Our Lady's will be at 9.30am to accommodate a Council of Priests meeting. Also, on 11th March, Mass will be at 9.30am as Fr Damian will be attending the Diocesan Trustees' meeting.

CAFOD Family Fast

Please return any CAFOD Family Fast Day envelopes via the collecting baskets at Mass. Thank you for supporting CAFOD!

Stations of the Cross

Throughout Lent Stations of the Cross will be prayed publicly on Monday mornings after Mass at Our Lady's, after Mass on Wednesday and Friday in Holy Rood. On Friday morning Stations will be led by the Syro Malabar Community and on Friday evenings by the Polish community at 7pm.

Lenten Reconciliation Service

The Deanery Lenten Reconciliation Service will take place in Holy Rood on 25th March at 7pm. For the first time there will be various priests hearing confessions in both English and Polish.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed during Confessions. If you haven't celebrated the Sacrament for a while this is a good opportunity to come back to the Lord, to enter His peace and prepare our hearts for the "joys of Holy Easter"!

Journey in Faith

The Journey in Faith course continues on Wednesday this week at 6.30pm in Holy Rood Presbytery.

Holy Rood U.C.M.

There will be a U.C.M. Meeting on Wednesday, 11th March, after Mass and Stations of the Cross. All old and new members welcome!

Second Collection

There will be a Second collection at all Masses on the weekend of 14-15th March to support Life.

Deanery Confirmation 2026

Advanced Notice! Bishop Ralph will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for Barnsley Deanery at 7pm on 24th June in Holy Rood. Preparation classes for those who have registered will commence on 15th April for 8 weeks. Candidates will be contacted by our Catechists with further details in the near future.

Lenten Alms

If you have any spare change and would like to help support those in need this Lent, and throughout the year for that matter, please consider popping into the collecting box marked 'St Anthony's Bread'. This is located in the wall of St Anthony's Shrine, next to the Baptistry at Holy Rood. All donations given via this method will go towards feeding those either coming into church or to the presbytery door looking for food.



MASS & SERVICE TIMES

Sat	Lenten Weekday	28 Feb
10.30am	Holy Rood (Woodcock Family)	
11-11.30am	Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
5.15-5.45pm	OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
6pm	OL & SJ, Vigil of Lent 2 (Chris Bentley Int)	
Sun	2nd SUNDAY OF LENT	1 March
9.30am	Holy Rood (Margaret Webster)	
11am	Holy Rood (The Parish)	
3pm	Holy Rood - Polish Mass	
Mon	Lenten Weekday	2 March
10am	OL & SJ (Nicholas Sovis)	
10.30am	OL & SJ - Stations of the Cross	
Tues	Lenten Weekday	3 March
Wed	Lenten Weekday	4 March
10am	Holy Rood (Shelagh Travis)	
10.30am	Holy Rood - Stations of the Cross	
Thur	Lenten Weekday	5 March
9.30am	OL & SJ (Cadogan Family)	
1.30pm	Barnsley Hopsital Chapel	
Fri	Lenten Weekday	6 March
10am	Holy Rood (Helen McHugh Int)	
10.30am	Holy Rood - Anointing of the Sick	
11am	Holy Rood - Stations of the Cross	
7pm	Holy Rood - Stations of the Cross	
Sat	Lenten Weekday	7 March
10.30am	Holy Rood (Jose & Gloria Lungay)	
11-11.30am	Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
5.15-5.45pm	OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
6pm	OL & SJ, Vigil of Lent 3 (The Parish)	
Sun	3rd SUNDAY OF LENT	8 March
9.30am	Holy Rood (Fr James Shryane)	
11am	Holy Rood (John Finn)	
4pm	Holy Rood - Syro Malabar Mass	