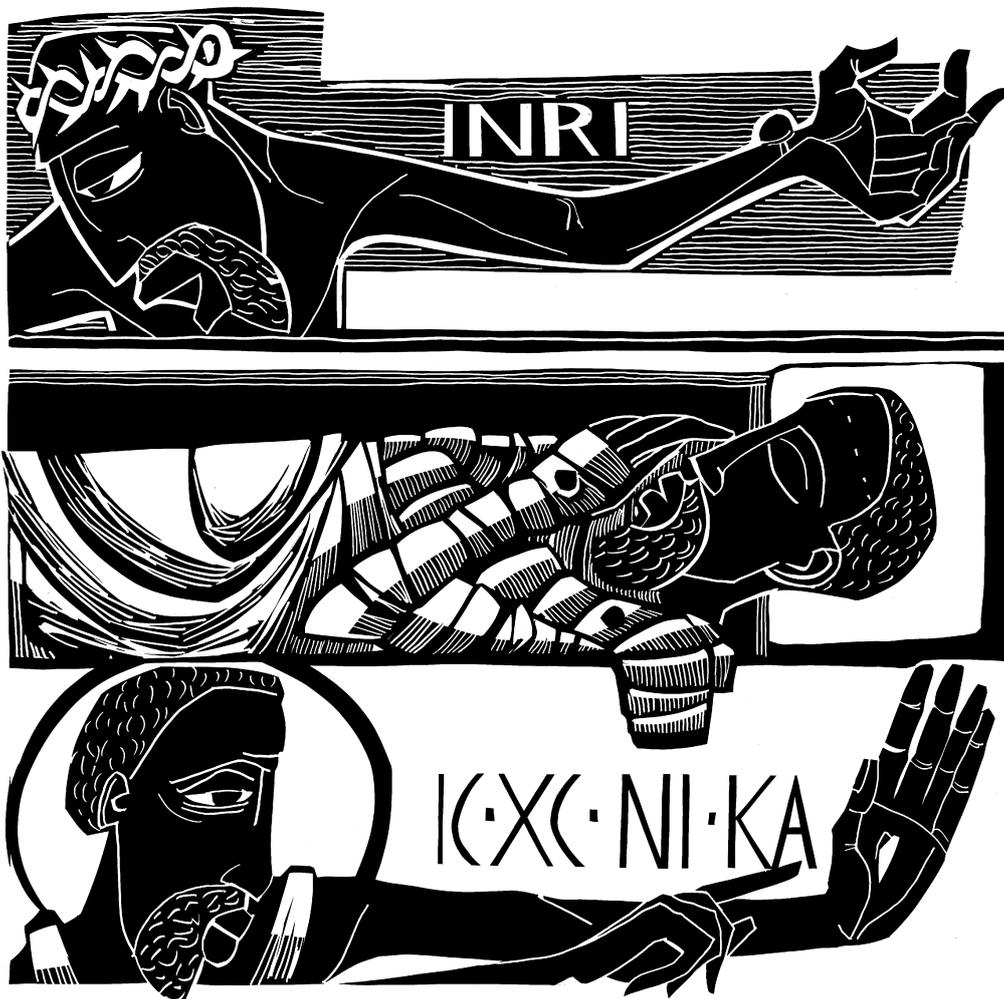

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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

29 March 2026



GRIDYAM

*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 Keane and Yvonne Sills. May they rest in peace! Amen.

Mass Attendance last Sunday

Holy Rood - 396

Our Lady's - 64

Sunday Offering:

Holy Rood - £930.98

Our Lady's - £230.00

Monthly Standing Orders (Feb)

Holy Rood - £1793.00

Our Lady's - £740.00

Your continued generosity to our parishes is greatly appreciated!

Palm Sunday Arrangements

The 9.30am liturgy at Holy Rood commences with a procession from the church hall. Please gather in the church hall with a palm cross (available from the back of church). If you are unable to process, remain in your seat and your palm will be blessed as the procession enters church. There will be no procession at the Vigil Mass in Our Lady's or at the 11am Holy Rood Mass.



At these Masses collect a palm and remain in your seat for either the Solemn or Simple Entrance.

Sunday Reflection

“In the palm procession our heart feels a joy mixed with sadness at sight of the Master’s seemingly ephemeral triumph, prelude of suffering and death” (Archbishop Luis Martinez). Today’s Mass recognises that Jesus’ real triumph, glory, and kingship will be revealed when he is lifted up on the cross. Jesus’ experience of being loved and hated, of being welcomed and then rejected, provides us strength to endure the caprices and injustices of our own life. United to Jesus, our own suffering leads to glory.

Barnsley Food Bank

Please leave any donations for the Food Bank in the Baptistry at Holy Rood and in the narthex at Our Lady's. Thank you for your continued support!

Holy Week Devotions

Stations of the Cross will take place on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 10.30am in Our Lady's and midday in Holy Rood.

Journey in Faith

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

Chrism Mass

Bishop Ralph celebrates the Chrism Mass in St Marie's Cathedral at 11am on Wednesday 1st April. All very welcome to attend this Mass.

The Sacred Triduum 2026

Maundy Thursday

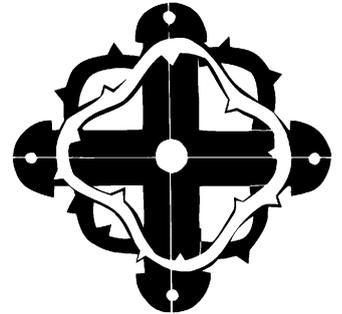
Year 4 children at Holy Rood Catholic Primary School warmly invite you to join them for a Maundy Thursday liturgy and drama at 10am in Holy Rood Church. Through prayer and performance, they will bring to life the events of the Last Supper. The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in Holy Rood, starting at 7pm. At the end of Mass the Blessed Sacrament will be taken in procession to the Altar of Repose in the Lady Chapel. Please join in with the procession, being careful on any steps. The traditional 'solemn watching' lasts until 9pm and concludes with the



reading of the Gospel of Our Lord's arrest after which all depart in silence.

Good Friday - A Day of Fasting and Abstinence

At 10.30am there will be Stations of the Cross in Holy Rood. The Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion, takes place at 3pm in Holy Rood. A collection for the Holy Places will be taken during this service.



Holy Saturday

The Easter Vigil will be celebrated in Holy Rood at 8pm. Please congregate around the new fire outside the church hall. Easter Sunday Masses: 7.30am at Our Lady's and 10am at Holy Rood.



After the 10am Mass, there will be refreshments in the church hall with a raffle, so please do come along. There will also be a children's scavenger hunt for our younger parishioners, with a prize for all those who find the clues hidden around the hall.

Teddy Tombola

To help raise funds for our primary school, we will be having a Teddy Tombola in the hall after the 10am on Easter Sunday. A huge thank you to all those who have donated Teddies to the cause. Let us find some new homes for all of them.

MASS & SERVICE TIMES

Sat	Lenten Weekday	28 March
10.30am	Holy Rood (Regina Cichosz - Birthday)	
11-11.30am	Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
5.15-5.45pm	OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
6pm	OL & SJ, Vigil of Palm Sunday (John Durkin)	

Sun	PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION	29 March
9.30am	Holy Rood (Dec ^d Members Keating Family)	
11am	Holy Rood (Allan Garrett)	
4pm	Holy Rood - Syro Malabar Mass	

Mon	Monday of Holy Week	30 March
10am	OL & SJ (Mary Kitching Int)	
10.30am	OL & SJ - Stations of the Cross	
12noon	Holy Rood - Stations of the Cross	

Tues	Tuesday of Holy Week	31 March
10.30am	OL & SJ - Stations of the Cross	
12noon	Holy Rood - Stations of the Cross	

Wed	Wednesday of Holy Week	1 April
10.30am	OL & SJ - Stations of the Cross	
11am	St Marie's Cathedral - Mass of the Sacred Chrism	
12noon	Holy Rood - Stations of the Cross	

Thur	MAUNDY THURSDAY	2 April
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THE SACRED TRIDUUM

7pm	Holy Rood (Rev Richard Booker)	
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Fri	GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION	3 April
10.30am	Holy Rood - Stations of the Cross	
3pm	Holy Rood - Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	

Sat	HOLY SATURDAY	4 April
8pm	Holy Rood - The Easter Vigil (The Parish)	

Sun	SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION	5 April
7.30am	OL & SJ (Marguerite Humphries)	
10am	Holy Rood (Fred & Ruby Wray)	
11.15am	Holy Rood - Baptism: Jasmina Maria Kawicka	
3pm	Holy Rood - Polish Mass	