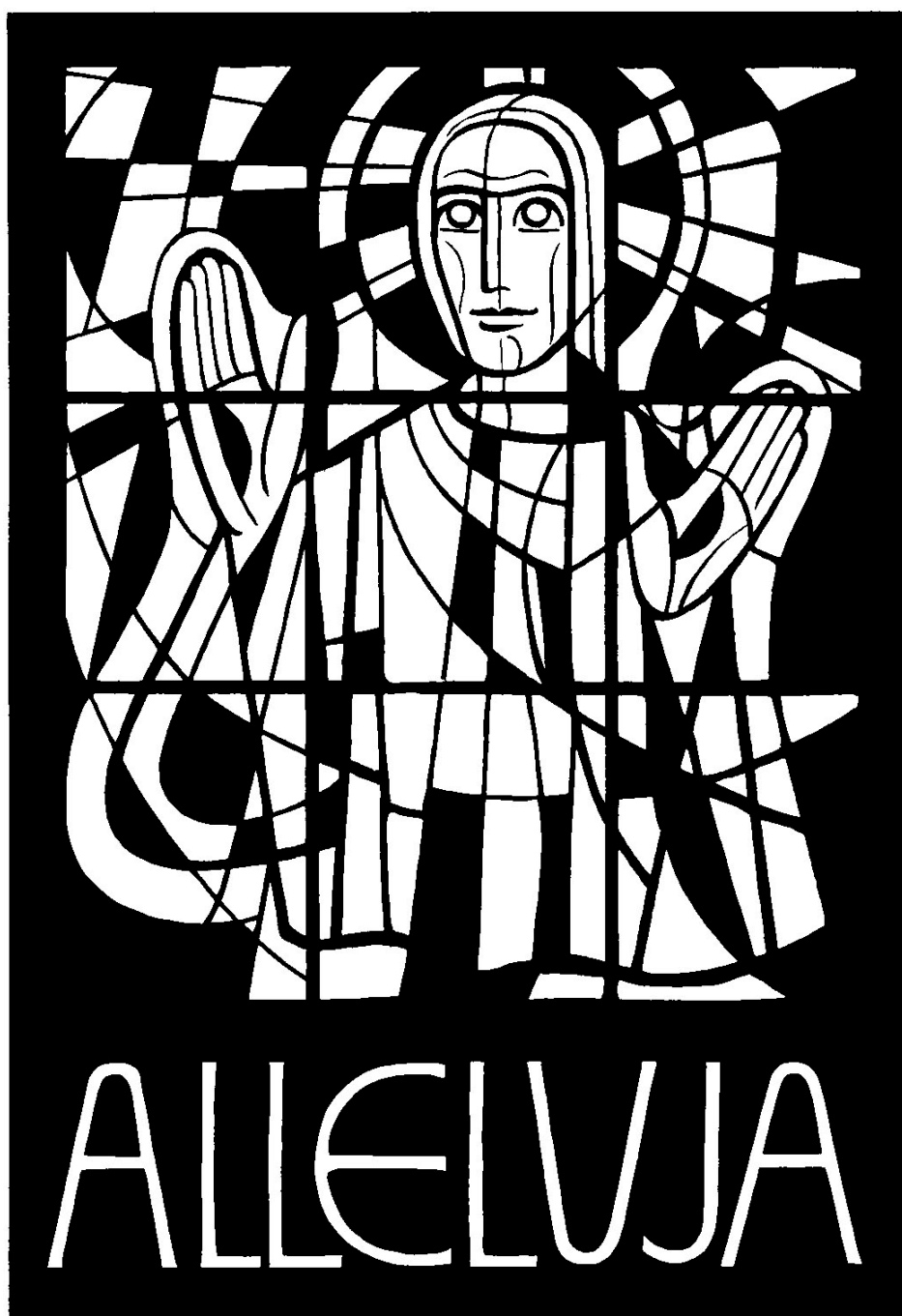

THE PARISHES OF
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Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection

5 April 2026



*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 - Easter

During this time of year we are asked to pray for the following intentions:
 New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; The Church;
 Survivors of Sexual Abuse and Human Work.

**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 - 355 Our Lady's - 61
Sunday Offering:	Holy Rood - £1182.20 Our Lady's - £330.49
Monthly Standing Orders (Feb)	Holy Rood - £1793.00 Our Lady's - £740.00

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.



Sunday Reflection

Jesus is risen! As Pope Francis said, "This message resounds in the Church the world over, along with the singing of the Alleluia. He remained two days in the tomb; but his death contained God's love in all its power, released and made manifest on the third day, the day we celebrate today: the Easter of Christ the Lord. The words heard by the women at the tomb are also addressed to us: Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Death, solitude, and fear are not the last word. There is a word that transcends them, a word that only God can speak: it is the word of the Resurrection." Christ has made good on all he promised. He is truly

risen.

Gaudium Paschale!

Fr Damian wishes all parishioners a very happy and blessed Easter - Christ is Risen, Alleluia! Thank you for all your Easter cards and assurances of prayers. These are very much appreciated at this time! In difficult times Christ's resurrection is the source of our hope. May the Risen Lord shower you all with his Blessings and Easter joy!

Thank you!

A special word of thanks is deserved by all who have made our Easter Liturgies possible and so prayerful. Thank you to our Readers, Altar Servers, Stewards, Flower Arrangers, Organist and Cantor! Thank you one and all, your hard work is much appreciated - you can put your feet up now!

This Sunday!

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 Mass. A huge thank you to all those who have donated Teddies to the cause. Let's find some new homes for all of them!

Mass Time Changes!

Please note there will be no Mass at Holy Rood on Wednesday this week, 8th April. Fr Damian is required to

attend a meeting of the Bishops' Consultors that morning and a wider meeting for all the clergy with Bishop Marcus. Also, on Saturday 11th April Mass will be celebrated at the earlier time of 10am, with Confessions at 10.30am, to accommodate a wedding that day.

Anointing of the Sick

As the First Friday of the month coincided with Good Friday, the Anointing of the Sick will take place after Mass on Friday, 10th April.

Congratulations!

Please keep in your prayers Thomas Perrin and Scarlet Buckland who will be married next Saturday, 11th April, at Holy Rood. We wish them all the best as they begin their married lives together!

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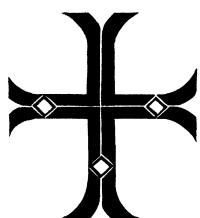
Thank you to all those parishioners who have supported CAFOD during Lent. The grand totals of £430 and £114.98 were donated at Holy Rood and Our Lady's respectively. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Work Experience

If you, or your employer, would be interested in offering work experience for GCSE level students please could you let Fr Damian know. Thank you!

Marriage Support

From relationships that are 'Just in a Rut', needing some refreshment or more serious issues - if you are open to try again - Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in marriage. To find out more: www.retrouvaille.org.uk or +44 797 338 0443.



MASS & SERVICE TIMES

Sat 8pm	HOLY SATURDAY Holy Rood - The Easter Vigil (The Parish)	4 April
Sun 7.30am 10am 11.15am 3pm	SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION OL & SJ (Marguerite Humphries) Holy Rood (Fred & Ruby Wray) Holy Rood - Baptism: Jasmina Maria Kawicka Holy Rood - Polish Mass	5 April
Mon 10am	EASTER MONDAY OL & SJ (Pat Bentley)	6 April
Tues	EASTER TUESDAY	7 April
Wed 10am	EASTER WEDNESDAY Holy Rood - No Mass	8 April
Thur 10am	EASTER THURSDAY OL & SJ (Anne Fitton - Sick)	9 April
Fri 10am 10.30am 2.10pm	EASTER FRIDAY Holy Rood (Roy Clarke) Holy Rood - Anointing of the Sick Ardsley Crem - Funeral Service: Yvonne Sills	10 April
Sat 10am 10.30-11am 12.30pm 5.15-5.45pm 6pm	EASTER SATURDAY Holy Rood (Private Int - Sick) Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation Holy Rood - Wedding: Thomas Perrin & Scarlet Buckland OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation OL & SJ, Vigil of Easter 2 (The Parish)	11 April
Sun 9.30am 11am 12.15pm 4pm	SUNDAY 2 OF EASTER Holy Rood (Margaret & Bob Walley) Holy Rood (Lesley & Peter Brannan - Wedding Anniv) Holy Rood - Baptism: Sophie Rose Sheridan Holy Rood - Syro Malabar Mass	12 April