
THE PARISHES OF
HOLY ROOD, BARNSELY
AND
OUR LADY & ST JAMES, WORSBROUGH
(Roman Catholic Diocese of Hallam - Registered Charity No 512021)

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THE WAY,
THE
TRUTH &
THE LIFE



*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 Antoinette Evershed. May they
rest in peace! Amen.**

Mass Attendance last Sunday

**Holy Rood - 345
Our Lady's - 78**

Sunday Offering:

**Holy Rood - £857.01
Our Lady's - £320.82**

Monthly Standing Orders (March)

**Holy Rood - £2865.00
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

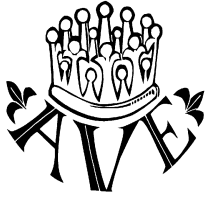
The Lord Jesus has "called you out of darkness into his marvellous light". We hear him do that very concretely in the Gospel today. He reassures us with these words: "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God;

believe also in me... where I am you may be also... I am the way and the truth, and the life... whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do." This is the Word of God that "continued to increase" so that the number of disciples "multiplied greatly". The risen Christ continues to increase the Church through the ministry of priests and deacons. "You yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house."

May Procession

This Sunday at Holy Rood is the May Procession in honour of Our Lady. If the weather is inclement remain in your seats and the Blessing of Our Lady's statue will take place at the back of

church. Only the first Holy Communion children will process around the church. Please keep all aisles clear of buggies and push-chairs. These can be stored in the Baptistry during Mass. Thank you.



Welcome!

Our Lady's Parish welcomes Hendrix Eric Carter-Makings who will be Baptised into Christ's Body, the Church, this Sunday.

Poland Trip Fundraising

Sophie, one of our Altar Servers, is continuing to fundraise for her trip to Poland. She has been chosen to represent South Yorkshire at the world Scout Jamboree. After Mass this morning she will be selling summer seeds and second hand books in the church hall. Do pop in if you can.

Fr Damian

Please note Fr Damian will be on annual leave from the parish from Monday 4th May until Friday 8th May. There will no Masses during this time. Should you require a priest, please contact either Fr Stephen (01226 710320) or Fr Declan (01226 752372).

Next Weekend

We welcome to our parishes next weekend, 9th-10th May, Fr Emmanuel Mbeh of the Mill Hill Missionaries. Fr Emmanuel, who is currently working in Hallam Diocese, will be celebrating all Sunday Masses and giving the Red Box appeal.

Confirmation Preparation

This continues on Tuesday, at 5.45pm in the Church Hall for our teenagers who have already signed up. Due to an overwhelming response we

are unable to take on any more teenage candidates for this years preparation course. If you have missed out, please keep an eye on the parish bulletin for the next one.

Adult Confirmation

If you are an adult and have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation but would like to do so, please email Fr Damian (frdhumphries@btconnect.com) as soon as possible.

Parish Pilgrimages

Date for your diary! Fr Damian will be saying Mass at Padley on 9th July at 7pm. All welcome to join him for Mass and a glass. More details nearer time! Also, it's hoped to organise a weekend retreat to Ampleforth Abbey in September. To register your interest, please sign the sheet at the back of church.

Diary Date

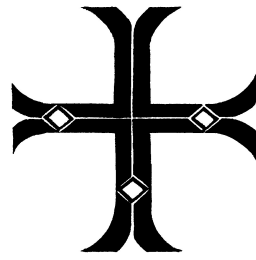
Our Lady's Church celebrates 50 years as a Catholic Church this year. To mark this milestone, after the Vigil Mass on 27th June there will be a 'hog roast' parish social! All very welcome to attend and enjoy this festive occasion!!

Prayer Partners

Some of our first Holy Communion children still require a parishioner to pray for them during these last few weeks of preparation. Please sign up at the back of church to support one or more by your prayers.

Second Collection

Thank you for supporting the collection last weekend for the Priest's Training Fund so generously. £461.34 and £120.92 were donated at Holy Rood and Our Lady's respectively.



MASS & SERVICE TIMES

Sat 10.30am 11-11.30am 5.15-5.45pm 6pm	St Athanasius, <i>mem</i> Holy Rood (Annie Cutinho) Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation OL & SJ, Vigil of Easter 5 (McClellan Family Int)	2 May
Sun 9.30am 11am 12.30pm 3pm	SUNDAY 5 OF EASTER Holy Rood (Wieslaw Zwierzchowski) Holy Rood (The Parish) OL & SJ - Baptism: Hendrix Eric Carter-Makings Holy Rood - Polish Mass	3 May
Mon 10am	THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, <i>feast</i> OL & SJ - No Mass	4 May
Tues	Eastertide Weekday	5 May
Wed 10am	Eastertide Weekday Holy Rood - No Mass	6 May
Thur 10am	Eastertide Weekday OL & SJ - No Mass	7 May
Fri 10am	Eastertide Weekday Holy Rood - No Mass	8 May
Sat 10.30am 11-11.30am 5.15-5.45pm 6pm	Eastertide Weekday Holy Rood (Joan Burkinshaw) Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation OL & SJ, Vigil of Easter 6 (Elizabeth Martin)	9 May
Sun 9.30am 11am 4pm	SUNDAY 6 OF EASTER Holy Rood (Margaret & Hughie Ryan) Holy Rood (The Parish) Holy Rood - Syro Malabar Mass	10 May