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

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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 any of the activities listed on it.*

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Cycle of Prayer - Ordinary Time: Autumn

During this time of year we are asked to pray for the following intentions:
The spread of the Gospel; Students and teachers; The harvest, the fruits of human labour, and the reverent use of creation; Prisoners and their families; Justice and peace in the world; All Victims of War; Young People.

**Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners, family and friends.
Also pray for those who have died. May they rest in peace! Amen.**

Mass Attendance last Sunday

**Holy Rood - 425
Our Lady's - 59**

Sunday Offering:

**Holy Rood - £1068.88
Our Lady's - £236.96**

Monthly Standing Orders (Sept)

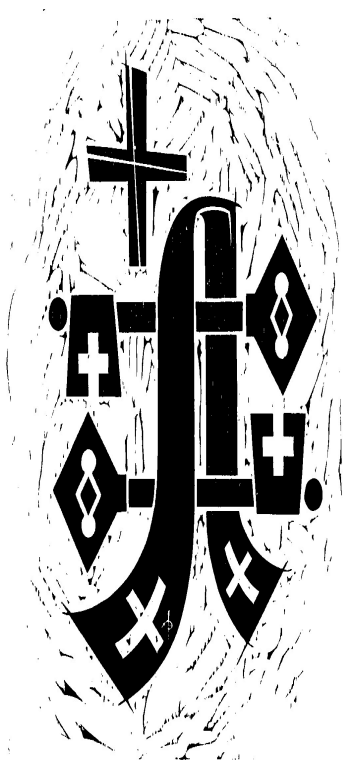
**Holy Rood - £1918.00
Our Lady's - £760.00**

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 and for those currently in formation.

Sunday Reflection

Christ's response to the false dilemma put to him by the Pharisees reveals that, though we owe obedience to just laws and rightful authority, we must also give to God what belongs to God. And what does belong to God? Our very lives. The effects of original sin entice us to withhold some part of ourselves from God, but Saint Paul reminds us: "You were chosen by God our Father." And the Lord says: "I have called you by

name, though you knew me not. I am the Lord and there is no other." Thus, the one to whom we owe everything is not a tyrannical ruler, but our Creator who loves us.

Welcome!

Holy Rood parish welcomes Helena Anaya Masih who will be Baptised into Christ's Body, the Church, this Sunday.

Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy at Holy Rood continues this Sunday at the 9.30am Mass. This is open to all children between the years of 4 and 8, prior to their first Holy Communion preparation. Please encourage your children to come forward at the start of Mass. Parents are very welcome to accompany to the liturgy any child who's slightly hesitant or anxious!

Second Collection

There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend for World Mission Sunday. Please support this collection if you can at this time.

Mass Time Change!

Please note that Mass at Holy Rood on Wednesday 28th October will be at the earlier time of 9am. The diocesan Trustees are meeting that day. Also on Wednesday 11th November there will be no Mass celebrated as Fr Damian will be attending mandatory Diocesan Safeguarding training. Apologies in advance for these changes!

November - Month of the Holy Souls

A Novena of nine Masses will be said across our two parishes for the Holy Souls, commencing on All Soul's Day, Monday 2nd November. Mass on that day will be celebrated at 10am in Our Lady's. If you would like to

contribute towards these Novena Masses for your deceased loved ones please use a 'Month of the Holy Souls' envelope available from the back of church. The envelopes remain in front of the altar and they are remembered at all Masses during November.

Coffee Morning - 25th October

Come and enjoy toasties, Baileys coffees, goodies and a raffle after both Masses, proceeds in aid of Claire House Children's Hospice, Liverpool. They provide invaluable support, care and fun for Harper, Angela Bamforth's grandson. Harper's father, Kieran, is also running the Dublin Marathon on that day to support the hospice. You can also donate via Kieran's fundraising page <https://www.justgiving.com/page/ko-dm-ch> Your support is much appreciated! Thank you.

Christmas Piety Goods

Piety items and cards for Christmas will be available from the back of both churches from the weekend 30th October and 1st November.

Journey in Faith Course

The next Journey in Faith course, for those who are considering joining the Catholic church or if you just want to know more about Catholicism, begins on Wednesday 4th November at 6.30pm in Holy Rood Presbytery, continuing for 6 weeks until 9th December. If you would like to take part in the course please email Fr Damian (dhumphries@hallam-diocese.com) before 28th October to be registered.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you to all those parishioners who recently supported the coffee morning for Macmillan at Holy Rood. The grand total of £532.00 was raised for this worthy cause. Thank you!



MASS & SERVICE TIMES

Sat	St Ignatius of Antioch, <i>mem</i>	17 Oct
10.30am	Holy Rood (Carole Ellis - Sick)	
11-11.30am	Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
5.15-5.45pm	OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
6pm	Holy Rood, Vigil of Sunday 29 (Annie & Henry Frost)	
Sun	SUNDAY 29 IN ORDINARY TIME, <i>sol</i>	18 Oct
9.30am	Holy Rood (Maria & Kazimierz Włodarczyk & Mary Walker)	
11am	Holy Rood (The Parish)	
12.15pm	Holy Rood - Baptism: Helena Anaya Masih	
3pm	Holy Rood - Polish Mass	
Mon	<i>feria</i>	19 Oct
10am	OL & SJ (Fr Damian Int)	
Tues	<i>feria</i>	20 Oct
Wed	<i>feria</i>	21 Oct
10am	Holy Rood (Canon John Galvin)	
Thur	<i>feria</i>	22 Oct
10am	OL & SJ (In Thanksgiving - Bibin)	
1.30pm	Barnsley Hospital Chapel - Mass	
Fri	<i>feria</i>	23 Oct
10am	Holy Rood (In Thanksgiving - J.S.)	
Sat	The Blessed Virgin Mary, <i>mem</i>	24 Oct
10.30am	Holy Rood (Kevin Flood)	
11-11.30am	Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
5.15-5.45pm	OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
6pm	OL & SJ, Vigil of Sunday 30 (The Parish)	
Sun	SUNDAY 30 IN ORDINARY TIME, <i>sol</i>	25 Oct
9.30am	Holy Rood (65 th Birthday & Wedding Anniversary)	
11am	Holy Rood (Ruby & Fred Wray)	
12.15pm	Holy Rood - Baptism: Chimeremeze William Okonkwo	
4pm	Holy Rood - Syro Malabar Mass	