THE PARISHES OF

HOLY ROOD, BARNSLEY

AND

OUR LADY & ST JAMES, WORSBROUGH

(Roman Catholic Diocese of Hallam - Registered Charity No 512021)

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time **15 November 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 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.

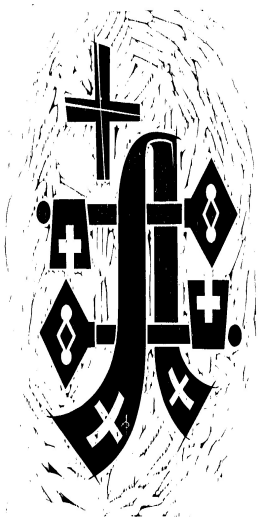
Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners, family and friends. Also pray for those who have died. May they rest in peace! Amen.

Mass Attendance last Sunday	***Holy Rood - 330***
	Our Lady's - 64
Sunday Offering:	***Holy Rood - £878.46***
	Our Lady's - £267.59
Monthly Standing Orders (Oct)	***Holy Rood - £956.00***
	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
Why does the master call the two servants "good and faithful"? Because, when entrusted with a large amount of money, they do not run off or spend the money on themselves; rather, they invest what was given them as a way of honouring their relationship with their master, who is himself good and faithful. Similarly, the worthy wife is valued "far more precious than jewels" because she loves her husband and family with the generous, self-sacrificing love of God. Yet the third servant hears, "You wicked and slothful servant!" Why? He lived in a way that reflected his misperception of the master, whom he

thought to be “a hard man”. The response of the master, who wants only that they share his joy, exposes the servant’s false logic. May we live as “children of light” by walking in the Lord’s ways.

Welcome!

Holy Rood Parish welcomes Arthur Donald Sutton Perigo 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!

Fr Damian

Fr Damian will be on annual leave from the afternoon of Sunday, 15th November, until Friday 20th November. Should you require the ministrations of a priest during this time, please contact either Fr Stephen/Fr Dominic (01226 710320) or Fr Declan (01226 752372).

Journey in Faith Course

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

Quiet in Church… Please!

In recent weeks the level of noise in both our churches before, and even during Mass, has been on the increase. Please could I ask all parishioners to make sure that mobile phones are switched off or silenced and any talking is only if absolutely necessary? I’ve received a number of complaints that noise during Mass is disrupting the recollection and prayers of others and is distracting. Moreover, at Our Lady’s this is especially important on Saturday evenings when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. Talking and moving about church during Exposition should be as unobtrusive as possible. It may be necessary to cut short the period of Exposition out of reverance for the Blessed Sacrament if there is no improvement. Thank you for your cooperation and please be considerate to those around you!

A Guide to Catholic Funerals

Bishop Marcus has produced a very helpful “Guide to Catholic Funeral Rites”. This outlines the various liturgical options available when planning a funeral of a loved one and also includes a very helpful “Instructions for my Funeral Liturgy”. This document aims to assist family members to fulfil the final wishes of a deceased Catholic when they may not be Catholic or practising themselves. The document is available via the parish website. To download and print go to www.catholicbarnsley.co.uk and click on the ‘Funerals’ tab.

Job Vacancy

Holy Rood Primary School are currently looking for a new school office manager. 37 hours per week. Please see the school website for further details and job specification. Required to start ASAP. Visit www.holyroodschool.co.uk -> About Us -> Vacancies.

Fr Damian’s Email

If you are emailing Fr Damian please use the Diocesan email address listed on this parish bulletin. All previous email addresses are now defunct and cannot be accessed! Thank you.



Mass & Service Times

Sat	**The Blessed Virgin Mary, *mem***	**14 Nov**
10.30am	Holy Rood (Paul Galvin)	
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 33** (James & Margaret Corcoran)	
Sun	**SUNDAY 33 IN ORDINARY TIME, *sol***	**15 Nov**
9.30am	Holy Rood (Ian Walley)	
11am	Holy Rood (The Parish)	
12.15pm	Holy Rood - Baptism: Arthur Donald Sutton Perigo	
3pm	Holy Rood - Polish Mass	
Mon	***feria***	**16 Nov**
10am	OL & SJ - No Mass	
Tues	***feria***	**17 Nov**
Wed	***feria***	**18 Nov**
10am	Holy Rood - No Mass	
Thur	***feria***	**19 Nov**
10am	OL & SJ - No Mass	
1.30pm	Barnsley Hospital Chapel - Mass	
Fri	***feria***	**20 Nov**
10am	Holy Rood - No Mass	
Sat	**The Presentation of the B.V.M, *mem***	**21 Nov**
10.30am	Holy Rood (The Parish)	
11-11.30am	Holy Rood - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
5.15-5.45pm	OL & SJ - Exposition & Sacrament of Reconciliation	
6pm	OL & SJ, **Vigil of Christ the King** (Geoffrey, Audrey & Ann Marie Fitton)	
Sun	**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING, *sol***	**22 Nov**
9.30am	Holy Rood (Maureen Lyons & Family)	
11am	Holy Rood (Rose & James Barnard)	
12.15pm	Holy Rood - Baptism: Bella Ciba	
4pm	Holy Rood - Syro Malabar Mass	