

Mass	Readers	Ministers of the Eucharist	Offertory
Sat 9th 19.00	C. Kent R. Kent	<u>C. Stamp</u> , C. Allard, N. Dyckhoff, A. Casey, W. Casey	Cullen family
Sun 10th 08.00	R. McHugh J. Lankester	<u>A. Smyth</u> , E. Timmons, J. Bogie, D. Cooper, A. Hinton	Coleman family
09.30	F. Parslow T. Sheridan	<u>N. Dyckhoff</u> , B. Brown, M. Carroll, D. Cunningham, J. Delaney	Di Maria family
11.00	M. Jordan P. Ellwood	<u>D. Murphy</u> , C. Maguire, K. Aldous, J. Smith, R. D'Souza, J. Morgan, E. Madrazo	Anna Mitchell & family
18.30	K. Ambrose	<u>A. Hooper</u> , N. Dyckhoff, I. Barrett, W. Dopson, A. Fusi	Murray family

Cleaning: Team D. Saturday 16th January. **Sunday Coffee:** Vera Next week: Hannah

Mass Times & Intentions 11th—17th January 2010

Monday	08.30	Ann McGioin RIP
	12.00	Mick Whelan RIP
Tuesday	08.30	John Sherry RIP
	12.00	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Wednesday	08.30	Margaret Pender RIP
	12.00	Catherine Marron RIP
Thursday	08.30	Francis O'Brien RIP
	12.00	Ann Marie Moloney Anniv
	16.30	Reception of the body of Kathleen Whitmore
Friday	08.30	Michael & Eileen Murphy Int
	12.00	Funeral of Kathleen Whitmore
Saturday	11.00	Sebastian Koladyil Intention
	19.00	Gwen Maunders RIP
Sunday	08.00	Jimmy Bourke RIP
Second Sunday of the Year - Year C	09.30	Dudley Skinner Anniv
	11.00	John Callaghan Anniv
	14.15	Polish Mass
	18.30	For the Parishioners



Anniversaries:

Bill Guiry
Richard Pottinger
Eric Bailey
Bridget Brady
Ann Marie Moloney
Lucas Sousapillai
Ann Sousapillai
Recently Deceased:
Kathleen Whitmore
Fillipo Capozzi
Mary Bridget Wilkins

Confession: Saturday
11.30—12.30; 18.15—18.40.

Adoration & Benediction:
Saturday 18.15—18.40.

Baptism by appointment.

Marriage—6 months notice required.

Hospital: In the light of the Data Protection Act 1998, please indicate on entering hospital that your details may be passed to the RC Chaplain. West Herts Hospitals Contact: 01727 897 254.

Welcome to Holy Rood

You are very welcome to our church and parish community. If you are new to Holy Rood, please introduce yourself to one of the clergy or welcomers.

Holy Rood Catholic Church, Watford

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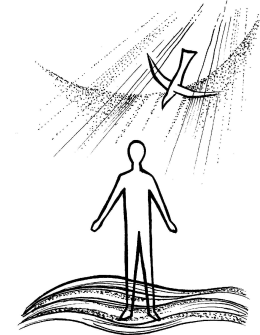
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Sunday 10th January 2010

Readings: Isaiah 40:1-5. 9-11. Psalm 103.
Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7. Luke 3:15-16. 21-22.
on pages 50-53 of the Parish Mass Book

As we embark upon a new year it's not unusual to look for a fresh start. Many people make resolutions; perhaps a healthier lifestyle, a diet, a desire to live more simply or with greater respect for our environment. The feast of the Baptism of the Lord also reminds us of new beginnings. This event marked the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. We may recall how our own Baptism marked the beginning of our new life in Christ.

St Paul reminds us what this new life is all about: "salvation", "grace", making us "heirs . . . to eternal life". This new life is so desirable that it is worth giving up "all our worldly ambitions", indeed giving up "everything that does not lead to God". Our new year resolutions may pale into insignificance compared with this vital resolve to live our Baptised life to the full.

At the Baptism of Jesus we find Father, Son and Holy Spirit present together in the moment, deeply in tune, deeply united. The Holy Trinity is present to us too, especially in the celebration of the Eucharist. When we enter into it, receive and respond we too enjoy God's favour.



"You are my Son, the Beloved:
my favour rests on you"

A Prayer for Our Priests

Heavenly Father, grant that our priests be strengthened and healed by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom.

We pray that all those whom they seek to serve may see in them the love and care of Jesus, Our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Church, look tenderly upon your sons, our priests.

Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, pray for us all.

