

\* **Sea Sunday:** Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church remembers all those who live and work at sea. Sea Sunday is the principal fundraising and awareness-raising event of the year for the Apostleship of the Sea. Today's second collection will help fund the pastoral and practical support and care the AOS provides. Please give generously as the AOS is wholly dependent on voluntary donations to continue its work.

Please watch this video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZWZa0muSXc>

\* **Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2011 Reunion:** Saturday 23rd July at Holy Rood Parish Centre at 2.30pm A short service of prayer followed by a 'bring and share' reception.

\* **Garden Party for Parkinson's Disease:** today at 131 Hempstead Road, Watford WD17 3HF - Today 2pm until 5pm. Colourful Mediterranean Garden. All welcome.

\* **Parish Picnic:** today at Lees Wood Campsite, Chandlers Cross, Watford WD3 4NA from 2pm. (10 minutes drive from the church). All welcome. Lots of fun - adventure playground, games, nature walk. Further details 01923 230643. Charge £2 per person to cover cost of hiring campsite.

**Holy Rood Book Group:** at 7.30pm today in the Parish Centre. The book we will be discussing is 'The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer & Annie Barrows. Ages from 16+. Please email: [holyroodbooks@hotmail.com](mailto:holyroodbooks@hotmail.com) for further information.

\* **Ascent Group outing:** to the Moon Under Water for lunch; leaving Holy Rood Church after the midday service this Tuesday. Anyone who wishes to put their name on sign-up list at the back of the church.

\* **Congratulations to Fr. Andrew Gallagher:** ordained priest on 2nd July. He will celebrate his first Mass at Holy Rood on Sunday 17th July at 11am. We will have a bring and share reception after Mass. Please sign up list at the back of church with any 'finger' foods you might bring.

\* **Young Adults Retreat Day:** Join other adults aged 17-35 and Bishop Alan Hopes for a Retreat Day at Worth Abbey on 23rd July 2011. Price £15. For more details contact Dave on 020 7798 9357 [ail:davidburke@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:davidburke@rcdow.org.uk).

\* **Music Group:** Musicians and singers are reminded that the next music at 6.30pm Mass will be on Sunday 17th July 2011 with rehearsal starting at 5.30pm. New singers/players would always be welcomed. Call Sue & Ceri Llewellyn on 01923 229763 for information.

\* **Red APF Boxes:** Please can you bring in your red boxes for emptying.

\* **Wednesday 20th July:** There will be a Mass at 7.30pm to commemorate the first anniversary for Pietro Pumilia

\* **Do you want to Dance?:** The Irish Dance school which is opening at Holy Rood Social Club, Tolpits Lane, Watford for boys and girls are looking for dancers aged 3-13 years. For further details contact Emma Cunningham on 07714 288195 or Aisling O'Toole on 07826 216 563.

\* **Accommodation Request:** Natasha D'Mello who is single and of Goan Origin is looking for shared accommodation with a Catholic family in Watford. If you are able to help, her contact details are: email: [MariaMello73@gmail.com](mailto:MariaMello73@gmail.com), [dmello\\_natasha@yahoo.co.in](mailto:dmello_natasha@yahoo.co.in) Mobile No: 07756147896.

\* **'Come Away ...and Listen'** A practical day of learning to listen and know God's loving will for our lives. A retreat day for 17—18 year olds and those in 6th form. Saturday 9th July, 9.00 to 4.30pm. SPEC, All Saints Pastoral Centre, London Colney. For more details/ book a place visit [www.spec.org.uk](http://www.spec.org.uk) or email [spec@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:spec@rcdow.org.uk) Tel:01727 829228

\* **Foundation Degree in Healthcare Chaplaincy** at St Mary's University College, Twickenham. This part-time 2 year course provides priests, religious and lay people with a recognised NHS qualification. To enrol or for more details please email Sam Chant at [chants@smuc.ac.uk](mailto:chants@smuc.ac.uk) or call 0208 240 4198 or email Fr Peter Scott at [peterscott@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:peterscott@rcdow.org.uk)

\* **Holy Rood Parish Camp:** Friday 26th August - Monday 29th August. Details to follow. Contact Jackie Elliott on 01923 230643.

\* **200 Club - June Draw:**

£125.00	Joanna Kiely	(116)
£ 51.00	Miss M Maguire	(357)
£ 40.00	Mrs M Aggett	(122)
£ 30.00	Katherine Fitzpatrick	(219)

\* **The Passage:** A rare opportunity to enjoy a summer evening in the beautiful 900 year old College Garden, Westminster Abbey on Wednesday 20th July from 5.30pm.

**Tickets £30.00** includes buffet supper (served from 5.30pm to 7.45pm) with wine and soft drinks, live music and prize raffle. Tickets available from The Passage, St Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place, London or telephone 020 7592 1856.

\* **Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage, Walsingham:** Sunday 11th September, led by Archbishop Peter Smith. See poster on noticeboard for more details.

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