

PARISH FETE *Sunday 27th November:*

- **Need** → good quality donations of the following: tombola prizes (including bottles of wine / spirits), paperback books, toys, bric-a-brac, gifts. Please leave at the back of the church or hand in to the Presbytery. Raffle tickets are now on sale. Volunteers to staff the stalls and / or clear up afterwards. **Can you help in any way?** Please contact the Parish Office. Donations of cakes welcome on the day. Thanks to all who have donated goods so far. **All proceeds to local and overseas charities.**
- **Confirmation:** We are looking for volunteers 18years - ? To journey with our candidates in the Confirmation programme January 2012 - May 2012. For more details speak to Fr Paul or Fr John or telephone Celia on 01923 237708. Application Forms for Confirmation are available at the back of church, with programme dates attached. Closing Date - Sunday 7th December
- **Saturday Coffee Shop:** Open every Saturday morning after 11.00am Mass. The amount raised from June to September was approximately £450. This will be sent to various charities. Thank you to all supporters. Please keep coming
- **Join the Seminary for a day!** : On Saturday 26th November there will be a special day for men aged 18+, who are discerning a possible calling to the priesthood. The day will be held at Allen Hall seminary and will include input from the seminary Rector, Mgr Mark O'Toole, as well as time for prayer and a chance to join the seminary community. For further details and to register for a place, please contact Fr Richard Nesbitt at richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk..
- **Deanery Youth Event:** Sunday 20th November at 5pm in the Parish Centre
- **SVP Christmas Cards:** On sale at the back of the Church.
- **Second Sunday Prayers:** tonight at the Seventh Day Adventist church, 187, Leavesden Road from 8pm - 9pm. Come and pray with **Christians Across Watford** for the church for the town for Jesus Christ.
- **Faith in Film:** Films, talks and discussion for young adults. **Being Human** - Reflections on the Incarnation. *Being Human: Faith and Film from the filmmakers perspective.* Talk by Christopher Warack - founder of Open Cinema on Tuesday 22nd November at Our Lady of The Assumption and St Gregory's 13 Warwick Street, from 6.30pm - 9.30pm.. For info email: mindthegap@rcdow.org.uk or tel:020 7798 9360.
- **Masses this Week:** There will be no 8.30am Mass this week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.
- **First Holy Communion:** Parents meeting Thursday 17th November at 8pm
- **Sick and Retired Priests:** Last Sundays Second Collection raised £1255.44.

- **Irish & Holy Rood Support Group ANNUAL DANCE:** Next Saturday 19th November from 8.30pm - Midnight at Holy Rood Social Club. Live music with Cover Story. Bar and Raffle. Admission: £3.50. Tickets from 01923 233254.
- **Holy Rood Social Club Senior Citizens Christmas Party:** Saturday 3rd December 2011, 7.30pm. Tickets £7.50, please see Rita or Kathy. Dancing to 'Cover Story' ; Buffet Meal. Tel: 01923 238066

New Members of the Social Club Welcome. Please Enquire

- **Holy Rood Parish Seniors' Christmas Dinner:**
- Our Annual Thank You to our Seniors for their participation in and support of the Church and Parish is on Sunday 11th December at 2pm in the Parish Centre.. **Forms now available from the parish office.** Thank you to the SVP for sponsoring this event.
- **No Meat on Fridays:** The Bishops of England and Wales have re-introduced the practice of abstaining from meat on Fridays. From effect since 16th September 2011 to coincide with the first anniversary of the visit of Pope Benedict.
- **Accommodation Required:** A family in the parish requires a 2 bedroom flat. If you are aware of any such available flat please let the Parish Office know.
- **Interfaith Pilgrimage - Next Sunday 20th November:** Starting at Watford and District Synagogue at 2pm, and visiting Central Mosque, Wellspring Church Centre, Holy Rood Catholic Church and finishing at Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara. All are welcome, of any age, from any or no faith: www.wifa.org.uk' 01923 774812 for more information.
- **Ascent Group:** Over the next few weeks outings have been arranged for:
Thursday, 24th November - afternoon tea at Burston Garden Centre - Depart Holy Rood at 2pm for a Festive Event. **Thursday, 1st December** - Advent Quiet Afternoon at The Grail Centre, Pinner - Attend midday Mass and shared lunch at Holy Rood followed by travel to The Grail for arrival at 2pm, **Tuesday, 6th December** - Advent meal at The Moon Under Water - Watford High Street. Tel: 01923 334998 - Mobile 07702 094650
- **Lights of Love 2011:** In aid of the Peace Hospice, Watford on Wednesday 7th December 2011 at 8pm.. The ceremony includes carols and poems, a time for quiet reflection and the lighting of the tree lights. The lights will continue to shine in remembrance until the 5th January. Refreshments will be served.
- **Red Boxes - APF - Mission:** Can you please bring in your Red boxes. Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Last Weekend's Collection *Many thanks for your generosity!*
Envelopes: £ 1281.17 Loose: 749.22 Standing Orders: £579.95