

- \* **200 Club:** Subscriptions to be collected this weekend. - £18. Proceeds are used for upkeep of church.
- \* **Deanery Youth Night - Sunday 19th February:** 5pm to 8pm in Holy Rood Parish Centre. Starts with Youth Mass followed by live music, gaming and more! FREE event. Open to all Secondary School age children.
- \* **Classical Concert** Saturday 11th February, 8pm, at St Luke's Church, Watford by Symphonia Academica. In aid of the New Hope Trust. Featuring Ravel's Piano Trio in A minor and Schubert's Piano Quintet in A major and 'The Trout' D667. Please call 01923 882159 to reserve your tickets.
- \* **Christian Unity Week:** This annual event is celebrated each year from 18th - 25th January. Watford's celebration will be held this evening at 6.30pm in the new Watford Community Church in Wellspring. All Welcome.
- \* **Familiaris Consortio 30th Anniversary:** An afternoon of celebration and workshops for anyone interested in supporting and encouraging marriage and family life. Saturday 11th February 1.30pm to 5pm at Amigo Hall, St George's Cathedral, Lambeth Road SE1 7HY. Admission free, including refreshments. Concluding with Vigil Mass in the Cathedral at 6pm. Contact: 020 8690 9310.
- \* **Come and See Day for Women discerning a Call to Religious Life:** A chance for women (aged 20—40) to learn more about consecrated life, and to meet a variety of religious and others who are discerning this vocation. Saturday 4th February, 10-5pm at the Carmelite Priory in Kensington. Please contact Fr Richard at: richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk
- \* **Little Flower Girls' Club:** The French nun St. Therese of Lisieux who lived between 1873 and 1897 is known as '**The Little Flower**' (there is a statue of her on the window ledge in Percy Road entrance.). In honour of her there is an association known as '**The Little Flower Girls' Club**' It is hoped to established a branch in the parish, initially for girls aged five to eight years old. It will meet in the Parish Centre for after-school activities, stories, crafts and other fun modelled on Saint Therese. For more information please call Stella at 01923 894705.
- \* **Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi:** 11th –18th June with Fr Andrew Gallagher. For more details contact Pax Travel on 020 7485 3003 or [info@paxtravel.co.uk](mailto:info@paxtravel.co.uk)
- \* **Jesus as model of servant-leadership in lay ministry** A Diocesan retreat for parish adult formation leaders and volunteers. Saturday 4th February from 10.30am to 3pm at Nazareth House, Hammersmith. Please contact 020 7931 6078 [ausrakaraliute@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:ausrakaraliute@rcdow.org.uk). Lunch will be provided. Register by 20th Jan 2012
- \* **Holy Rood School:** Friends of Holy Rood School would like to invite all First Holy Communion Parents to Holy Rood School, Greenbank Road, on Tuesday 7th February, 3.30pm - 5.30pm where First Holy Communion dresses, accessories and boys suits will be available for sale.

- \* **Holy Rood Book Group:** The next meeting will be on Sunday 26th February at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. We will be discussing 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' by John Boyne. New members are always welcome. Email: [holyroodbooks@hotmail.com](mailto:holyroodbooks@hotmail.com) Twitter: @HolyRoodBooks.
- \* **Snowdrop Visit to Benington Lordship** on Thursday 9th February organised by the Ascent group. See the beautiful grounds of a country estate with lawns carpeted in snowdrops. Please sign up on the list at the back of the church.. Further details : <http://www.beningtonlordship.co.uk/snowdrops.shtml>
- \* **Vocations Discernment Group:** for young adults (18-30's) is on Friday 27th January with a talk by Bishop John Sherrington on "Called to Serve". 7-9pm in the Hinsley Room, Morpeth Terrace next to Westminster Cathedral. For more info contact Sr Gabi at [info@free2become.org](mailto:info@free2become.org) or Fr Richard at [richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk)
- \* **Special Educational Needs and Inclusion Co-ordinator** at St Rose's School, Hemel Hempstead. Permanent, 2 days per week with possibility of ad hoc supply cover for class teachers. Closing date: 9am Monday 30th January. Contact: School Secretary, St Rose's Catholic Infants School, Green End Road, Hemel Hempstead HP1 1RT. Tel: 01442 398855 . Email: [admin@stroses.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stroses.herts.sch.uk)
- \* **Mass Intentions:** Due to heavy booking for Masses there will sometimes be more than one intention per Mass.
- \* **Christian Aid: - Go over the edge to end Poverty** - Hertfordshire Sponsored Abseil at St Etheldreda's Church, Old Hatfield on Saturday 10th March 2012. Register NOW to secure your place. Visit: [christianaid.org.uk/abseil](http://christianaid.org.uk/abseil). Email: [events@christian-aid.org](mailto:events@christian-aid.org). Telephone: 0207 523 2077.
- \* **Funeral:** Reception of Body of Bianca Landolfi on Wednesday 25th January at 7.30pm. Her funeral will be on Thursday 26th January at 12 noon.
- \* **Mass in Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes:** Saturday 11th February 2012 - 2pm at Westminster Cathedral, Victoria Street, SW1P 1QW. Celebrant: Archbishop Vincent Nichols  
The sacrament of the sick will be administered. See Noticeboard for further details.
- \* **The Gift of Listening** - Saturday 4th February 11am - 4pm, Mount Street Jesuit Centre 114, Mount Street W1K 3AH 020 7495 1673 [www.mountstreet.info](http://www.mountstreet.info). So many things get in the way of our really listening: our own priorities, needs, anxieties etc. This interactive day is concerned with improving our skills when listening to ourselves, and to others, and perhaps also God.
- \* **'Nothing is more like God than Silence'.**

Meister Eckhart

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