

Mass	Readers	Welcome Team	Ministers of the Eucharist
<b>Sat 24th 18.00</b>			<u>G. Pinnock</u> , J. Morgan, W. Dopson, M. Defriez, R. Defriez
<b>Midnight Mass</b>	B. O'Riordan S. Clarke-Gonsalves		<u>D. Murphy</u> , J. Smith, R. Zacharia, J. Garibaldi, N. Garibaldi
<b>Sun 25th 08.00</b>	R. McHugh C. Mort		<u>E. Timmons</u> , A. Smyth, M. Mulkerrins, J. Morse. R. Tees
<b>09.30</b>	T. Sheridan L. Mayuga	B	<u>B. Brown</u> , G. Pinnock, J. Dempsey
<b>11.00</b>	P. Ellwood M. Hitchens	A	<u>M. Ellwood</u> , C. Polidario, C. Ramsey, M. Carroll

**Cleaning:** Team B. 27th December.  
**Sunday Coffee:** Next week: *Hannah & Co.*



Holy Rood is a Fairtrade parish

### Mass Times & Intentions 26th December—1st January 2012

Monday	12.00	Foundation Mass & Steve Kiely	RIP
Tuesday	12.00	Bill & Mary Devlin Anniv. & Alvin & Bryan	Int.
Wednesday	12.00	Mrs Zacharia	Anniv
Thursday	12.00	Paddy & Tom Daffy RIP & Brian Callaghan	Anniv.
Friday	12.00	Galina & Dushan	Int.
Saturday	11.00	Filippo Capozzi	Anniv.
	19.00	Elizabeth Pyne Patrick Davey	RIP & Int.
Sunday	08.00	For the Parishioners	
<b>Mary Mother of God</b>	09.30	Mary Rose Anniv.	
	11.00	Winifred Goddard Anniv.	
<i>Num. 6:22-27.</i>	14.15	<i>Polish Mass</i>	
<i>Ps. 66. Gal 4:4-7. Lk. 2:16-21</i>	18.30	Geraldine Briody RIP	



**Confession:** Saturday 11.30 - 12.30, 18.15 - 18.40  
**Baptism** by appointment.  
**Marriage** - 6 months notice

**Hospital:** Please indicate on entering hospital that your details may be passed to the RC Chaplain.  
*West Herts Hospitals contact: Colette Lennon 01923 217994.*  
**Mass:** Thursday 1.15 pm in the chapel (Watford General level 3) for patients and staff.  
*Peace Hospice & Mount Vernon contact Lynn Bassett 07803 986716*

**Anniversaries:** Filippo Capozzi, Elizabeth Walsh, Bill Devlin, Gordon Appleford, Brian Callaghan, Mrs Zacharia

## 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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Italian Chaplain: Fr Alberto Vico—0208 207 5713

### Sunday 25th December 2011

### Nativity of the Lord

**Readings:** Isaiah 52:7-10. Psalm 97:1-6. Hebrews 1:1-6. John 1:1-18. **on pages 102 - 105 of the Parish Mass Book**

"**Joy** is the true gift of Christmas, not the expensive gifts that call for time and money. We can communicate this joy simply: with a smile, a kind gesture, a little help, forgiveness. And the joy we give will certainly come back to us. ...Let us pray that this presence of the liberating joy of God shines forth in our lives."

*Pope Benedict XVI, 2005.*

### Let Me Not Keep Christmas . . . . .

"Let me not wrap, stack, box, bag, tie, tag, bundle, seal, keep Christmas. Christmas kept is liable to mould.

Let me give Christmas away, unwrapped, by exuberant armfuls. Let me share, dance, live Christmas unpretentiously, merrily, responsibly with overflowing hands, tireless steps and sparkling eyes.

Christmas given away will stay fresh - even until it comes again."

*Linda Felver 1988*



**We wish you a very happy and holy Christmas**