

- \* **Feast of St Peter & St Paul** is this Tuesday 29th June. It is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses are at 8am, 12noon & 7.30pm
- Holy Rood Parish Centre AGM** will take place this Tuesday 28th June at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. All parishioners are invited to attend.
- \* **Strawberry Tea:** on Sunday 3rd July in the Parish Centre from 3pm until 5pm. Cost £4. Proceeds to The Peace Hospice.
- \* **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.
- \* **Ascent Group:** Visit to Mount St Bernard Abbey on Tuesday, 5th July, leaving Holy Rood Car Park at 9am. Please sign sheet at the back of the church if you would like to go. We are looking for another car/driver so more people could go.
- \* **Gift Aid:** If you are no longer an Income Tax payee, please let the office know so that we do not claim Gift Aid from your weekly/monthly offertory gift.
- \* **Garden Party for Parkinson's Disease:** on Sunday 10th July at 131 Hempstead Road, Watford WD17 3HF - 2pm until 5pm. Colourful Mediterranean Garden. All welcome.
- \* **SVP:** First Friday Lunches this Friday 1st July after 12 noon Mass. Price £2. All welcome.
- \* **Parish Picnic:** on Sunday 10th July 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.
- Holy Rood Book Group:** Our first meeting will be on Sunday 10th July at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. The book we will be discussing is 'The Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society by Mary Ann Shaffer & Annie Barrows. All ages welcome from 16+. Please email: [holyroodbooks@hotmail.com](mailto:holyroodbooks@hotmail.com) for further information.
- \* **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. (9am coach departure from Westminster Cathedral return at 6pm.) For more details contact Dave on 020 7798 9357 or email: [davidburke@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:davidburke@rcdow.org.uk).
- \* **Ascent Group:** There will be another outing to the Moon Under Water on 12th July for lunch; leaving Holy Rood Church after the midday service. Anyone who wishes to put their name on (yet another) sign-up list at the back of the church.
- \* **Red APF Boxes:** Please can you bring in your red boxes for emptying.

- \* **Brightlights 2011 July 1st - 4th** Catholic Young Adults Festival. Committed in faith or just exploring, you'll 'Just Love' Brightlights special atmosphere all set in the beautiful acres of the famous Carmelite Priory at Aylesford. Email: [info@brightlights.org.uk](mailto:info@brightlights.org.uk) Facebook: Brightlights Festival [www.brightlights.org.uk](http://www.brightlights.org.uk)
- \* **Holy Rood Catholic Primary School:** Parishioners are invited to come and celebrate the completion of the building work at the school on Thursday 7th July at 6.30pm until 8pm. There will be a tour of the school and refreshments.
- \* **Andrew Gallagher** will be ordained on Saturday July 2nd in the Cathedral. Andrew will celebrate our 11am Mass on July 17th. A coach has been booked so that we can attend the Ordination. A few places left. To book a seat send in £10 in an envelope with name and telephone number.
- \* **Do you want to Dance?:** The Irish Dance school which is opening in Watford for boys and girls are looking for dancers aged 3-13 years. They invite you for a free trial class on Thursday 30th June from 6-7pm at the Watford Irish Centre, Wiggshall Road, Watford or on Saturday 2nd July from 11am - 12 noon at Holy Rood Social Club, Tolpits Lane, Watford. For further details contact Emma Cunningham on 07714 288195 or Aisling O'Toole on 07826 216 563. We look forward to seeing you there.
- \* **Exploring Priesthood:** There will be two retreat days at Allen Hall seminary in July for men discerning a possible call to the priesthood: **Saturday 9th July** for men aged 16-30 and **Saturday 16th July** for men aged 30+. For further details and to reserve a place contact Fr. Richard Nesbitt at [mesbitt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:mesbitt@rcdow.org.uk).
- \* **A Race Night:** is being held in the Holyrood Catholic Centre, Tolpits Lane, Watford at 7.30pm on Saturday 2nd July to raise money to pay for copies of the Divine Office for all the new Seminarians training for the priesthood in our Diocese. Admission is FREE.
- \* **Sing a New Song:** An afternoon for singers and instrumentalists on music for the New Missal - led by Jane Porter on Saturday 9th July from 2pm - 5pm.  
The focus of our afternoon will be on learning new and revised settings of the sung parts of the Mass where the words are changing in September:- the Eucharistic Acclamations (Holy, Holy, Memorial Acclamation and Great Amen) and the Gloria. We will also look at Common Psalms for Ordinary Time and the ways in which we introduce new music to the congregation.

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