

THE COMING FEASTS...

This time of year sees several important feasts in the life of our parish and community. Do note them in your diaries* and pray for our parish and those who live and work within its boundaries.

Sunday 17 September We keep Holy Rood's Feast of Title, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (also known as the feast of the Triumph of the Cross, or simply Holy Cross Day). The date of the feast itself is 14 September, but we are permitted, and indeed encouraged, to keep such feasts on the nearest Sunday (provided that Sunday is not itself an important feast). So that is what we shall do, and the 11.15am Mass on Sunday 17 will be of the Holy Cross.

Saturday 23 September is the eve of the feast of Our Lady of Walsingham, patroness of the Ordinariate in England and Wales. The 5pm Sung Mass at Holy Rood, celebrated according to *Divine Worship*, the Ordinariate's own Missal as bestowed by the Holy See, will keep the feast.

Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 October Saturday 7 is the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, who, as the title of our parish church, is the patroness of our parish. As with the Holy Cross, such a feast can be kept on the nearest Sunday, and so that is what we shall do. But, where Holy Cross Day is only kept with solemnity at Holy Rood, Our Lady of the Rosary is kept across the whole parish dedicated to her. This ought to be a high point in our yearly calendar, and is an opportunity to re-dedicate ourselves and our parish to the worship and service of Almighty God.

Thursday 19 October is St Frideswide's Day. Frideswide, Anglo-Saxon princess-turned-abbess, is the patron saint of the City and University of Oxford. As many of you will know, our parish falls entirely in what was, once upon a time, the edge of the county of Berkshire. Therefore, the question of how far we actually belong to the said City of Oxford, such that we should fall under its patron saint, is rather debateable. However, it is good to ask for the prayers of as many saints as we can, so we shall give her a due nod as well.

**If you are planning to colour-coordinate your tie or handbag or other accessories, do note that Holy Cross is kept with red, and Our Lady of the Rosary (and the other feasts here enumerated), with white vestments.*

Readings for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7; Psalm 102; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35



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SUNDAY 10 September	<p>SUNDAY 23 PER ANNUM (YEAR A) DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 3</p> <p>Saturday Vigil No 5pm Mass Confessions 6.10pm Our Lady of the Rosary Mass 6.30pm Our Lady of the Rosary Mass 7.30pm Holy Rood (<i>in Portuguese</i>)</p> <p>Sunday Sung Mass 9.15am Our Lady of the Rosary <i>Pro populo</i> Sung Mass 11.15am Holy Rood <i>Pro populo</i></p>
Monday 11 September	<i>Feria (Monday of Week 23 per annum)</i> No Mass
Tuesday 12 September	<i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i> Adoration 8.00pm Our Lady of the Rosary
Wednesday 13 September	St John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor Mass 9.00am Holy Rood
Thursday 14 September	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Mass 6.30pm Holy Rood (<i>Divine Worship</i>) Holy Hour <i>for Vocations</i> , and Confessions, 7.00-8.00pm
Friday 15 September	Our Lady of Sorrows Mass 8.30am St Thomas More Mass 12.30pm Holy Rood (<i>Latin, 1962</i>)
Saturday 16 September	Ss Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs Mass 9.00am Holy Rood Confessions 9.30-10.00am
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Our Lady of the Rosary, Botley, OX2 9BD ✕ Holy Rood, Abingdon Road, OX1 4LD St Thomas More, Grace Dieu, Boars Hill, OX1 5DN	

TODAY We give a warm welcome to Fr Martin Flatman who will be offering the holy sacrifice of the Mass in our parish this weekend.

APF BOXES I (To be a Christian is to be a Missionary). Please return your Missio Red Boxes to the church for counting. Many thanks as always to - Bernie Cowley, Maura Dennehy, Claire Guest, Jessie Walker, Helena Felici and Catherine Harker our parish promoters.

Barbara Pearson (Local Secretary)

DISCERNMENT WEEKEND 15-17 ✕

Are you a man over thirty, content, but wondering about the direction of your life? Do you sense that you may be approaching a major threshold or turning point? Have you sometimes found yourself wondering whether the priesthood or religious life may be an option? If any of these questions apply, this weekend is for you. please go to www.ukpriest.org/discernment-events

FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS | 17 September

Home Mission Sunday; 24/9 The Cathedral

PARISH COLLECTION TOTALS

Standing orders: £583.75

Parish giving info: Cheques should be made to PRCDTR North Hinksey Our Lady. Bank transfers to account number 00883337, sort code 309304.

ROTAS THIS WEEK

Counting Thursday 14 September
Stella and David

NEWSLETTER | Please send all notices for next week's Newsletter to the **Parish Office** by **Thursday 10 am** email hinksey@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

CHILDREN'S DIARY

Children's activities take place during the 9.15am Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary.

Today 10 September: Children's liturgy resumes. For more information, contact Blanka mccarthybb22@hotmail.com

CONFIRMATION CLASSES | These are due to start fairly soon. Candidates for confirmation are usually 13 (Year 9) or above at the time of the celebration of the sacrament (in this case, Summer 2018). If you are interested and would like to find out more, please contact Fr Daniel as soon as possible.

The diocesan confirmations at the cathedral are usually for those 13-18 years old, but if you are over 18, not confirmed, and would like to explore the sacrament, you should contact Fr Daniel too. Those who have been confirmed in the last few years are very welcome to assist with the running of this year's group. Talk to Fr Daniel if you would like to (or your parents think it would be a good way to get you out of the house).

BRING AND SHARE LUNCH I

We will be celebrating the Patronal Feast of the Triumph of the Cross at Holy Rood Church on **Sunday 17 September** after the 11.15am Mass. Please keep this date free!

MENTAL HEALTH PROJECT I

The Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales are sponsoring a mental health project, with grants available and also many web resources. The aim is to help increase spiritual and pastoral support for those with mental health challenges, their families and carers. Day for Life collections generously given by parishioners annually fund this work. For more information please visit www.catholicmentalhealthproject.org.uk

IN OUR PRAYERS

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED |
Andres Barranco, Anderson Barranco, Sean Hodgkins, Vanessa Clark, John Finch, Maurice McAvoy, Peggy Duhig, Anne Lansberry, Ted Renshaw, Catherine Harker, Brian and Mary Hodgkins, Moira Fryer

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS | Parishes

That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

FREE FORMATION PROGRAMME FOR YOUNG ADULTS ✕

The Dominican Institute in the USA is offering a free formation programme for young adults. It has been billed as one of the best online Catholic Resources ever. It would be good for any adults, not just the young and is based on YOUCAT. The programme comprises six videos, 1 - Ignite, 2 - Spark, 3 - Flame, 4 - Heat, 5 - Blaze, 6 - Torch. Go to www.dominicaninstitute.com/lit/ once you have watched the introduction you can get it for free by sending your email address.

PARISH GROUPS | YOUTH GROUP | as advertised 'LADIES OF THE PARISH' - COFFEE AND DISCUSSION GROUP

First Wednesday of the month at Holy Rood, after the 9.00am Mass, Coffee/Tea/Cake and discussion.

WOMEN'S READING GROUP I A group of women from the Parish meets once a month on Monday evening, 8.30-9.30pm to read and discuss together AMORIS LAETITIA. If you would like to join, please contact

maria.rosa.antognazza@kcl.ac.uk.

MEN'S GROUP | Last Tuesday of the month, location & other details as advertised.

ORDINARIATE | Mass, Saturdays at 5pm (for the Sunday obligation); Said Mass, 6.30pm on Thursdays, both at Holy Rood. Masses using the Ordinariate Missal, which anyone is welcome to attend, are indicated by *Divine Worship* in the newsletter. NB No 5pm Saturday Mass on 2 and 9 September. Normal services resume Thursday 14/9.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED I Please note that the parish office will be closed until **Friday 22 September** (inclusive).

PRAYERS PLEASE ✕ For Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor who is seriously ill in hospital. Cardinal Vincent Nichols writes 'these loving prayers are a source of great strength and comfort as he calmly ponders on all that lies ahead, all in God's good time. May the Lord strengthen him in faith and trust and may the prayers of the Church, which he loves so much, comfort and uphold him.'

1061 RETREAT I At Dowry House Walsingham on the **15-17 September**. As part of our commitment to offer support and formation to those signed up to be Parish Youth Ambassadors. This is an opportunity to network with other Youth Ambassadors from around the UK. For details www.walsingham.org.uk/1061

NATIONAL MASS FOR ALTAR SERVERS I At Westminster Cathedral on **Saturday 21 October**. Organised by the Archconfraternity of St Stephen on behalf of Cardinal Vincent Nichols.

DO YOU BY ANY CHANCE HAVE SKY TV? Well, if so, channel 589 is the Catholic channel called EWTN. They have a range of programmes including Mass, devotions, catechesis and talks. Plus series on lives of saints. They also broadcast children's programmes.