



ST HELEN'S CHURCH

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SUNDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2026

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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- Sat 14th **Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop**
8.30 Confession/Benediction/Adoration
09.15 Clayton and Dione Thanksgiving
18:00 Mrs Concetta Critelli R.I.P
- Sun 15th **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
09:00 Mary O'Connor R.I.P anniversary
11:00 Helen O'Shea R.I.P anniversary
- Mon 16th 09:15 Kathleen Brennan R.I.P anniversary
- Tues 17th **The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite order**
09:15 Tony Keenan R.I.P
Followed by Benediction + Adoration
- Wed 18th **Ash Wednesday**
9.15 Our Parishioners
19:00 Our Parishioners
- Thurs 19th 10:00 Kevin Walsh R.I.P anniversary
- Fri 20th 9.15 John Lennon Wellbeing
Followed by Stations of the Cross
- Sat 21st **Saint Peter Damian**
8.30 Confession/Benediction/Adoration
09.15 Malgorzata Marta Petrylak R.I.P
18:00 Mr & Mrs Gabriel Moral Thanksgiving
- Sun 22nd **First Sunday of Lent**
09:00 Evelyn Kellinghan R.I.P
11:00 Mathew Punnamkuzhy anniversary

LENTEN REFLECTIONS – TALKS BY SR.

DOMINICA

From Ashes to Fire

A series of Lenten Scripture reflections 2026

Thurs 26 Feb

"Sin entered the world through one man"

(Rom 5:12)

Thurs 5 Mar

"Tormented by thirst" (Exod 17:3)

Thurs 12 Mar

"The Lord looks at the heart" (1 Sam 16:7)

Thurs 19 Mar

"I am now going to open your graves" (Ezek 37:12)

St Helens Parish Hall • 7–8pm

All are welcome


STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent we will observe the stations of the cross every Friday after the 9.15 mass.

*God seeks Himself in us, and
the aridity and sorrow of our
heart is the sorrow of God
who is not known in us, who
cannot find Himself in us
because we do not dare to
believe or trust the incredible
truth that He could live in us,
and live there out of choice,
out of preference. But indeed,
we exist solely for this, to be
the place He has chosen for
His presence, His
manifestation in the world,
His epiphany.*

- Thomas Merton

ST HELEN'S CHURCH- Join Our Church Choir (Ages 16+)

 We're inviting young people aged 16 and over to join our church choir. We are a friendly group all in all, offering light and relaxed singing training.

We sing for the Lord, with faith and love, and would be happy to welcome anyone who would like to be part of our choir.

Please contact the church office to register your interest



ST HELENS CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2026.

Confirmation will take place on Friday 26th June 2026 with Bishop Paul. Forms are available at the back of the church. Please complete and return by the 8th March 26. Course details to follow.

UPCOMING FUNERALS AT ST. HELEN'S CHURCH

The funeral for **Michael Martin Flaherty** will take place on **Friday 27th February 2026 at 11am**. Followed by a committal at North Watford Cemetery at 12.30am.

The funeral for Joan Vincent will be held on the 2nd March 2026 at 11am.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR

Sunday 8th February 2026 Planned Giving: £75.15

Loose Plate: £293.62

Standing Orders/contactless/online
for January: £3,446.00

If you would like to set up a monthly
Standing Order, our bank details are:

HSBC Bank: WRCDT Watford North

Sort Code: **40-05-20** Account No: **81263439**

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

PILGRIMAGE – FÁTIMA AND VARIOUS HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL PLACES IN LISBON

Pilgrimage to Fátima and various historical and cultural places in Lisbon is being organized by Church of Our Lady and St Michael, Garston as a **joint pilgrimage** with St. Helens Church.

Early expressions of interest are appreciated. Please contact parish office at watfordnorth@rcdow.org.uk

CHILDREN'S ILLUSTRATED BIBLE – AVAILABLE TO BORROW

We have two copies of beautifully illustrated children's Bible stories available to loan. You are warmly invited to borrow a copy to read with your children at home. To request a copy, please contact the church office at watfordnorth@rcdow.org.uk

DIARY OF EVENTS

QUIZ NIGHT

St. Helens Church Quiz Night, **February 28th at 7 pm**. £5 per person. Individuals, pairs, or teams of up to 8. Bring your own food and drink, Raffle (Please donate one prize per table). Tickets available after 9am Mass in hall or to book please contact Louise Shepherd on 07983 380150 or louisemshep@gmail.com

ST. HELEN'S BRING & SHARE

Sunday, **8th March 2026**, after the 11am mass in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

HOLYROOD CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NURSERY ADMISSIONS – APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

Our September 2026 Nursery places are for children who will become four years of age between 1st September 2026 and 31st August 2027.

All places are offered on a 15 hour basis. (8:30am-11:45am). There are a limited number of 30 hour places available (8:30am-3pm), depending on eligibility.

For further information please see our website at [Holy Rood Catholic Primary School - Nursery Admissions](https://www.holyroodcatholicprimaryschool.co.uk). Or you can contact our Admissions Secretary Miss Emma Chandler directly on 01923 223785, or via email at admissions@holyrood.herts.sch.uk

Thought for the week: Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better. - *Maya Angelou*

Insanity in Individuals is something rare – but in groups, parties, nations and epochs, it is the rule – *Friedrich Nietzsche*

The whole problem with the world is that fools and fanatics are so certain of themselves, but the wise so full of doubts – *Bertrand Russell*

The desire to possess is the curse of human life – *DT Suzuki*