



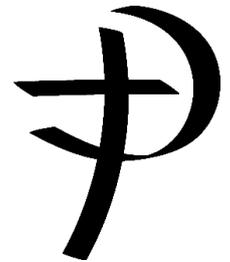
## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**WEEK COMMENCING 10<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

**Openness to the Word of God – Bible Sunday**

**Masses today:** 9am & 10.30am *Parish & People*  
(Eucharistic Prayer: III)

**Masses during the week:**

Monday	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tuesday	10am	9.40am Rosary. Refreshments after Mass
Wednesday	10am	<i>St Lucy</i>
Thursday	<b>2pm</b>	<b>Requiem Mass for Anne Crook, RIP</b>
Friday	10am	9.40am Rosary
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Friday after Mass 10.30am -11am and on request.

**Anniversaries – RIP:** Terence Fleet, Millicent M Williams, Katherine G Swainson, Annette M Murray

### **Welcome to any visitors to the Parish**

**Today:**

**Please pray for the sick and/or housebound** including, Irene Cussen, Margaret Phelps, Jill White, Nora Steel, Mary Silcox, Maureen Wildash, Helen Revins, Margaret Bradford, Margaret Davies & Oscar Kennedy.

**Anne Crook RIP** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anne who died on Monday evening, as well as for Sarah Murray, Anne's daughter, and her sisters, grandchildren, family and friends who grieve for her. Her body will be received into the church on Wed 13 Dec at 6pm.

**Children's Liturgy** There will be Children's Liturgy in the Upper Rooms during the 10.30am Mass today. (*N.B. Any children under 4 must be accompanied by an appropriate adult who is responsible for them*).

**Christmas Flower Collection:** We continue our annual appeal for funds to decorate Holy Cross with flowers for the solemnities of Christmas and up until Lent. Please give generously to make the Church look particularly beautiful during this time. Thank you.

**Charity Christmas cards** are on sale at the back of Church and in the Hall after the 10:30 Mass.

We will draw the **Christmas Raffle** after the 10.30 Mass next Sunday. You can enjoy mulled wine and mince pies and hopefully win a prize. 1<sup>st</sup> prize £30, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £20 plus other items: whiskey, gin, wine, toys etc. **Please support this annual event and buy a £1 square TODAY!**

**Refreshments** are served in the hall after the 10.30am Mass. All are welcome. Please will any parishioners who can take a turn to serve refreshments please sign down on the board in the hall.

**Available:-**

***Catholic Herald* £2.50**

***Catholic South West* for December 50p**

**Walk with Me** – A Journey of Prayer for Advent 2017 cost £1.00.

**CTS booklets available from the rack**

**'Encounter' The Diocesan Evangelisation Newsletter.** The first edition of this newsletter for Evangelisation is available at the back of the Church. Please do help yourself to a copy.

On the table at the back of Church there are **CAFOD World Gifts Catalogues**, please take one – Free delivery for Christmas if you order by 15<sup>th</sup> December (and a free tea towel when you spend £50 or more).

**Children First**, the newsletter of the Catholic Children's Society, is now available at the back of church or can be found on the Society's website [www.cccsplymouth.org.uk](http://www.cccsplymouth.org.uk). To receive the newsletter direct to your door or mailbox please contact our office on 01364 645420 or email [ccs@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:ccs@prcdtr.org.uk)

**To Visitors/Holiday Makers:** If you would like to 'Gift Aid' your giving there are some **blue or white** 'Gift Aid' envelopes on the table at the back of the church. Please ensure that you complete all the details in pen and sign the form.

### Dates:

#### Penitential Services to be held at 7.00 pm.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. at Tavistock  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. at Holy Cross, Yelverton.  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec at St Peters, Crownhill  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec at the Cathedral, Plymouth;

**The SVP** will meet in the Upper Rooms after Mass on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

**Rock Methodist Church** has its annual Festival of Christmas Trees Tues 12<sup>th</sup> – Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10.30am-4.30pm daily. The Martha Group is taking part.

**Holy Cross Nativity Service - Sun 17th Dec at 3pm.**

### Notices

#### **Tavistock Foodbank :**

The organisers greatly welcome the support of Holy Cross and, as Christmas approaches, they would be delighted to receive a **few more seasonal products** as well as both male and female toiletries. They particularly request **Christmas cake, tinned ham, UHT milk, fruit juice, box/tin biscuits, children's selection box, chocolates, snacks and nibbles, tinned fruit/custard, Shloer and Christmas crackers.** Please note that **Christmas donations need to be made asap.** Thank you for your continued cooperation and for your cash donations which are much appreciated.

**There will be a Christmas paper covered box at the back of church next Sunday. If any families would like to donate a chocolate /sweet item for a family receiving help from the Foodbank we will deliver it in time for Christmas. Please bring YOUR contribution next Sunday. Thank you.**

**Please consider this.** This year you could "write a card and (literally) change a life" for someone imprisoned unjustly for their beliefs. The appeal runs until the end of December. See the 'Write for Rights' booklet at the back of church, or contact Tony John (852172).

**SVP SUDAN BABY FEEDING CHRISTMAS APPEAL** Once again we are asking that rather than you giving your loved ones gifts this year, that you give the gift of life and hope on their behalf. Donate to the SVP Sudan baby feeding appeal and receive a gift certificate with a personalised message to give them on Christmas day, for tax payers gift aiding would be appreciated. Or just donate for yourselves, either gift aided, or in the SVP box at the back of church. Members of the SVP will be at the back of church with the forms after Mass. Thank you in advance for your support.

#### **The Pope's Intentions for December:**

'That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.'

**New Diocesan Trustees** The Trustees of the Diocese are responsible to the Charity Commission for the running of the Diocese as a registered Charity. Their invaluable work helps ensure that the mission of the Church in the Diocese is carried out responsibly and smoothly. The Diocese is looking to recruit one or two new trustees with particular expertise in accountancy, corporate financial management or in Human Resources management (HR). If you would like to know more please contact: Mgr Robert Draper VG, Moderator of the Curia St Boniface House, Ashburton TQ13 7JL [robert.draper@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:robert.draper@prcdtr.org.uk)

**VACANCY Post: Safeguarding Administrator (part time) 2 Posts. Based at: St Boniface House, Ashburton, Devon TQ13 7JL. 17½ hours per week Salary: £10.60 per hour pro rata'd to 2½ days a week (Actual Salary £9,646 p/annum)**

For an informal discussion regarding the role please contact the Safeguarding Co-ordinator on 01364 645430. A copy of the job description and person specification are obtainable from the Human Resources Department – Jan Holton on 01364 645383 or email [recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk). Applications are by application form and covering letter. The last date for applications is Tues 2 Jan 2018 and interviews will be held on Thurs 11 Jan 2018 at St. Boniface House.

**See letter on the noticeboard**

**The Advent Service last Sunday** was a great success and enjoyed by all. I am grateful to the Plymouth Catholic Choral Society for making it so. I am also grateful to those parishioners who were involved in its preparation, catering and for clearing away. You did a marvellous job. Thank you.  
**Fr Louis**

*"Could you please thank all those who supplied all the wonderful cakes and mince pies and also everyone serving teas and coffees. We were made to feel so welcome when we went back for refreshments after the event for which we were extremely grateful."* **Wendy from the Choral Society**

**Hospitality Group** Hospitality is an essential ingredient in the life of a parish community and the Martha Group have served Holy Cross exceedingly well in this respect over the years. However, in view of the changing circumstances of this Group, they are no longer able to provide the same level of support they have provided in the past. I am therefore establishing a new Hospitality Group that will be responsible for hosting various parish events where there is a catering dimension to them. This Group will be headed by Ann Ruth. So I am now calling on any parishioners who would be interested in being part of this Group to let Ann know and she will take things forward from there.  
**Fr Louis**

#### **The Collection last Sunday:**

Loose plate £185.85 & Gift aided £568.00

**Thank you**

**The Bonus Ball winners** on 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec were Pam & Dave Adams with ball number 52. They won £25. There were 46 subscribers that night so £21 went to Parish funds.

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**(All items for the newsletter by noon on a Wednesday please)**

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sue Walsh & Mike Green

