



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Week Commencing Sunday 10th December 2023 (Year B)

Second Sunday of Advent

(Readings: Is 40:1-5 9-11 Ps 84 2P 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8)

Saturday 9th	Vigil Mass of Second Sunday of Advent			
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 10th	Second Sunday of Advent			
	Tavistock	9am	Mass	<i>Linda Hall RIP</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass	<i>The Forgotten dead and deceased members of the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom</i>
Tuesday 12th	Tavistock	6pm	9 Lessons and Carols	
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>Mary Lawlor & deceased members of the Lawlor Family</i>
Wednesday 13th	Tavistock	6pm	Rosary Group	
<i>St Lucy</i>	Tavistock	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		10am	Mass	<i>Ian Kilpatrick Intention</i>
Thursday 14th	Tavistock	6.30pm	Penitential Service/Confessions	
<i>St John of the Cross</i>	Yelverton	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		10am	Mass	
	Yelverton	6.30pm	Penitential Service/Confessions	
Saturday 16th	Vigil Mass of Third Sunday of Advent			
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>Private Intention</i>
Sunday 17th	Third Sunday of Advent			
	Tavistock	9am	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass	<i>Ruth Family Intention</i>
	Sacrament of Reconciliation: – After Mass or by appointment.			

A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

Please pray for

those whose anniversaries occur at this time: David Harrison, Henry Reid, Anne Crook, John McLaughlin, Howard Brennan, Margaret Gunnell, Terence Fleet, Millicent Williams, Kathleen Swainson and Annette Murray.

the sick and/or housebound: including, Margaret Davies, Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Anne Stanton, Seth Marks, Shelagh Robinson, Margaret Drayton, Mary Boon, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Robert Edwards, Anne O’Kelly, Fr Michael Cole, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst Eileen Hoy, Monica Finn and Paddy Ruth.

There will be **Children’s Liturgy** during the 10.45am Mass. *Please remember children under 4 must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for them.*

Refreshments will be served in the hall after the 10.45am Mass this Sunday. If you could take a turn one Sunday, please sign the rota in the hall.

Flowers – Thank you to those who have already contributed to our Flower Fund for decorating our church throughout the year. The basket is still available at the back of the church.

Our annual **Christmas Raffle** will take place on Sunday 17th December, after Mass. Squares £1 each will be on sale from next Sunday 26th November. 1st Prize £50. Other prizes include vouchers, very good bottles etc. Proceeds to church funds. If you would like to contribute towards the prizes and/or if you are able to serve the mulled wine and mince pies on 17th please see Sue Walsh, Danny or Fi Marks.

Sunday 10th December—6pm (NB Note change of time)

9 Lessons and Carols at Our Lady of the Assumption, Tavistock.

**The Annual Joint-Parish Christmas Dinner
with Yelverton & Tavistock parishioners invited.**

**Monday 8th January at the Yelverton Golf Club,
6.30 for 7pm.**

There are copies of the menu, prices & forms at the back of the churches OR we can email you a copy!

Closing date for signing down is 31st December!

Next RCIA group Friday 15th December at Our Lady of the Assumption Meeting Room at 5.30pm.

CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

Tavistock Food Bank—For your information the following goods are required at our food bank: Milk, Fruit juice, Tinned meat, Coffee, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Detergent, Crisps **Christmas treats such as:** *a Bottle of festive cordial, Mince pies, Christmas puddings and cakes/logs, Custard and tinned fruit, Selection box, Tube crisps/nuts/savoury biscuits, Stuffing/gravy granules/cranberry sauce, Chocolate/sweets* **Festive/box biscuits would be very much appreciated.**
Thank you

Missio calendars for 2024 are available on the back table.

Parish Notices:-

Collections: November 25th & 26th 2023
Collection £144.14 Standing Order: £190
Flowers £66.95

Collections: December 2nd & 3rd 2023
Collection £147.35 Standing Order: £615
Flowers £75

Thank you.

There are many things to sort for Christmas and many hands make light work so can you spare some time on:

Saturday 16th December 10 to 12noon to help with a BIG church clean?

Or

Saturday 23rd 10 to 12 noon.

- Help with the flowers and decorating the church?
- Help set up the Nativity scene?

Or can you:

- Provide or decorate the Christmas tree on the sanctuary?
- Provide some holly/ greenery for decorating the church?

Please let Fr Cyriacus or Ann Ruth, Parish Secretary, know if you can help in anyway.

Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham. At a recent Parish Council Meeting in Tavistock, it was agreed to try and organise a Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham in September 2024 - **18-21 September 2024.** Stephen Sylvester has been tasked with taking this forward. Would you be interested in going? It will be a 3-night stay, Wednesday to Saturday, Bed & Breakfast at a cost of approx. £77 per person per night. **Make your own way there or car share.** Once booked there will be a 25% non-returnable deposit, 50% to be paid within 6 months and the balance paid 2 months before the date of departure.

Please let Stephen know as soon as possible if you would be interested— stephen.silvester@btinternet.com or phone 07810 305605. Thank you.

Bonus Ball News: The winner on 2nd December was Michael Prout with ball number 40. He won £25. There were 36 subscribers that night so £11 went to church funds.

The **Parish Safeguarding Representative** is Sue Walsh.

Newsletter: Sue Walsh (Tel: 07767480807) or email: svwalsh@hotmail.com **(All items for the newsletter by noon on a Wednesday please).**



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Pope's Intentions for December — For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

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