

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

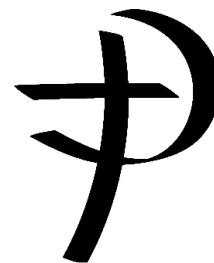
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WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 10TH MARCH 2024 (YEAR B) - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - Laetare Sunday

(Readings: 2Chr 36:14-16. 19-23 Ps 136 Eph 2:4-10 Jn 3:14-21)

Saturday 9th	Vigil Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Lent			
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>Mike Knight RIP</i>
Sunday 10th	Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday			
	Tavistock	9am	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass	<i>Michael & Molly Ridley RIP</i>
Tuesday 12th	Tavistock	6pm	Rosary Group	
Wednesday 13th	Tavistock	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		10am	Mass followed by	<i>Private Intention</i>
			Stations of the Cross	
Thursday 14th	Yelverton	9.25am	Stations of the Cross	
		10am	Mass followed by	<i>Peter Ruth RIP</i>
Friday 15th	Tavistock	3pm	Divine Mercy Prayer & Stations of the Cross	
Saturday 16th	Vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Lent			
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>Karen Gasche RIP</i>
Sunday 17th	Fifth Sunday of Lent			
	Tavistock	9am	Mass	<i>The Youth of our Parish</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>

Sacrament of Reconciliation: – After Mass or by appointment.

A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

Please pray for:

all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Karen Gasche, Eileen Teahan, Wilhelmine Maker, Roose Bold, Gerald Phillip de Wilton, Mike Knight, Christine Greenwood

the sick and/or housebound including:

Margaret Davies, Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Anne Stanton, Seth Marks, Margaret Drayton, Mary Boon, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Robert Edwards, Fr Michael Cole, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst, Eileen Hoy, and Monica Finn.

CAFOD Family Fast Day appeal Thank you for giving to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal this Lent. Your generous donations, given in love, will support families around the world and help them with the resources to feed their families for good. You can still give online at [www.cafod.org.uk]www.cafod.org.uk

NEEDLES AND PINS: Next meeting **Wednesday 12th March** in our church hall from **2 - 4pm**. Refreshments available.

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

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 on Sunday. If you could take a turn, please sign the rota in the hall.

EASTER EGG RAFFLE. Proceeds to Holy Cross funds. £1 a square – see the board at the back of the church. To be drawn on Easter Sunday after Mass. Any donations of Easter Eggs for prizes would be appreciated. Thank you.

Next Saturday:

Joint Parish CAFOD Lent Walk on Saturday 16th March

We will be meeting at Pork Hill car park (on B3357) at 10.30 for a fairly level circular walk, with no steep gradients. About 2 miles, so we should be back by 12.30. Wonderful views and lots of interesting things to see. Ice cream and coffees available at the end

Please come along for the walk and get family and friends to sponsor you. If you cannot make the walk, please sponsor Fr Cyriacus (and/or someone else!)

There is a sign-up sheet and sponsor forms at the back of the church. Please indicate if you are a qualified First Aider. Please car share if possible.

TACT Churches - Lent Lunches 2024

We are providing a soup and bread lunch with tea and coffee and a short reflection at the end. Please come and share fellowship and prayer together during the weeks of Lent. The reflections will be led by different church ministers. Each lunch will run from **12.30-1.30pm** at:

Thursday 14th March: URC Church/Salvation Army
Thursday 21st March: King's Church, Pixon Lane

There will be an opportunity on each occasion to make a donation which will be split between the work of **Catalyst**, our youth project and to **CARE International** for the **Gaza Humanitarian Crisis Appeal**.

Fr Mark Skelton is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting for **Lent Talks 2024**. This year the five speakers who have very kindly accepted the invitation are all from within the Diocese: Talks start at 7pm

Rev Ignatius Raj. - March 15th

The Man born blind

Mr Gerard Gillespie—March 22nd.

The raising of Lazarus

To Join the Zoom Meeting from 6.30pm on the day:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83445840521?pwd=K3IKRFVUbnY0eEMzc3pVMVhOcnFCdz09>

Meeting ID: 834 4584 0521 Passcode: 862737

CAFOD Lunch on Saturday 23rd March at Our Lady of the Assumption. Please keep this day free. See Ann Ruth if you would like to go.

SPUC: Diana Johnson MP, has tabled an amendment to the Government's Criminal Justice Bill (New Clause1), which is coming up for Report stage in Parliament in early March. This amendment seeks to change criminal law so that 'no offence is committed by a woman acting in relation to her own pregnancy' **at any gestation**. This means that a woman who induced her abortion at home using pills (or any other method) at any stage, including just before natural birth, **would commit no offence**.

Please contact your MP urgently, asking him/her to oppose this extreme and barbaric proposal. You can do this by using SPUC's easy to use webtool at: <https://www.spuc.org.uk/abortionamendments>.

Please pray for the defeat of this amendment, for protection of unborn babies and help and comfort for mothers in need.

Tavistock Foodbank. For your information the following goods are urgently required at our food bank: *Fruit juice, Tinned carrots, Tinned spaghetti, Noodles, sponge puddings, Jam, Detergent, Cleaning spray.* Thank you

Our Lady of the Assumption: forthcoming concert by the **Tamar Valley Male Voice Choir** on **Saturday 6th April** at 7pm. Tickets are on sale at £7.50 each; **contact Ann Ruth**. The event is to raise funds for church repairs and maintenance. Thank you.

Diocesan Vacancy : Parish Secretary for the Parish of Plympton. See noticeboard for details. Closing date 25th March 2024

Parish Notices: -

YOUTH EVENTS—APRIL 2024

Friday 12th – teaching by Fr Cyriacus and Prep for Youth Mass **6pm** Yelverton

Diocesan Event—Saturday 13th – Stay Awake This is an event for everyone and anyone. Tickets are free for those in Year 9 and under, £10.00 for those in Year 10 – 13, and only £12.50 for everyone else! Tickets available now, online from www.stayawakejc.com/stay-awake-2024

Sunday 14th – Youth Mass at Tavistock

Saturday 27th – Sponsored walk Tavistock to Yelverton

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is looking for an ACN Parish Volunteer. Through prayer, awareness and action we support suffering and persecuted Christians. If you think you would like to support ACN within your parish please contact Stephen Riedlinger Community Outreach ACN. Tel: 07939362479. Email: steve.riedlinger@acnuk.org. There is more information about the Volunteer Role Description on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.

MARTHA GROUP BOOK SALE:

There are lots of interesting books for sale on the Martha Group bookshelves in the hall. 50p each or 3 for £1.

All proceeds to the Martha Group Charities.

Also, jigsaws for sale!

Do come and enjoy a browse!

Collections 2nd /3rd March :

Loose £182.10 Standing Order £690

Mass attendance Sat: 26 Sun: 56

CAFOD Family Fast Day £265

Thank you.

Bonus Ball News: on Saturday 2nd March ball number 6 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £38 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 38 subscribers that night.

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

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



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Pope's Intentions for March — For New Martyrs

Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.