



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Week Commencing: Sunday 10th May 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

(Readings: Ac 8:5-8. 14-17 Ps 66(65) 1P 3:15-18 Jn 14:15-21)

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| Sunday 10 th May | Sixth Sunday of Easter | Mass | 12.30pm | Mgr Canon Michael Hanley RIP |
| Tuesday 12 th May | No Mass | | | |
| Thursday 14 th May | The Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) | Mass | 10am | |
| Sunday 17 th May | Seventh Sunday of Easter | Mass | 12.30pm | |

Sacrament of Reconciliation available after Mass or by Appointment

A very warm welcome to all our Visitors

Please pray for:

all those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Bernard Evans, May Payne, Thomas Sheeedy, Benjamin Tole, George Langan, Patrick Gidley, Elizabeth Seaton.

The sick and/or housebound, including: Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Seth Marks, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst, Eileen Hoy, Monica Finn, Mary Gibbs, Susan Bevan, Jane Devenish, Jose Belshaw, Emily John and Fr Jon Bielawski.

Please pray for these children who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion & Sacrament of Reconciliation in June 2026:

Christabel, Elsa, Fintan, Hugh & Oscar.

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

Please pray for our young people who are sitting a raft of public exams at this time. Pray that they remain calm and recognise that whatever the outcome they will be able to move forward in life!

Refreshments are served in the hall after Mass on Sundays and Tuesdays. Please come along and join us for a drink and chat.

Caritas May Newsletter

Please click the link to read the latest news of love in action around our diocese <https://tinyurl.com/y9bjk8a8>

The Diocesan Newsletter for May has now been issued: <https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/A26C2BBAA727D7802540EF23F30FEDED>

'The Catholic Children's Society Plymouth. Rise to Our Cause' this Ascension Thursday !

Make Ascension Day extra special by taking a little day trip and joining us for our fundraising event at the Church of the Assumption, Torquay, TQ2 5NJ on Thursday, 14th May 2026.

After having a wonderful day in Launceston, Cornwall last year, this year we are holding our 'Rise to Our Cause' event in Torquay, Devon. The day will consist of -

- Mass at 12 noon
- 2 course lunch
- Speakers on the power of prayer

Tickets cost £15 per person and there will also be a raffle. The day will finish by 4pm.

Please come along and join us; we would love to welcome you.

Michael and Lucy Hayes are celebrating their 55th Wedding Anniversary on **Friday 15th May 2026**. Holy Cross Parishioners are invited to join them for Mass at **10am** at Our Lady of the Assumption, Tavistock, followed by Tea/Coffee and cake afterwards.

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children




SUMMER COFFEE MORNING
10.30am - 12.15pm
Saturday, 16th May

Homemade cakes, Savouries, pasties, Toys, Marmalade, Jam, SPUC stall, Piety stall, Jewellery stall and Prize Raffle

£1 Entry includes tea, coffee & biscuits

PLYMOUTH CATHEDRAL CENTRE

Laudato Si week will be celebrated on 17th- 24th May this year. To celebrate, why not hold a picnic with your community to enjoy the beauty of Creation around you? You may like to hold this on the 16th May as a moment of reflection before the week begins, so that your hearts will be in a disposition to enjoy the wonders of Creation that God reveals to you during the Laudato Si week.

St. Rita's of Cascia - Feast Day on Friday 22nd May at St Rita's Centre. – See poster at the back of the church for details.

EVANGELISATION THROUGH ART

Local Artists' Exhibition

Holy Cross Catholic Church,

Sunday May 24th 2.30pm - Saturday 30th May 6pm
(weekdays 11am – 6pm)

“All beauty is but a shadow of His glory and every piece of art whispers His name”

You are warmly invited to experience a unique exhibition of art designed to stir the imagination, awaken the soul, and explore life's biggest questions:

You will meet ordinary folks who have been inspired by the Holy Spirit to create things of beauty.

- They are not professionals.
- Some have never painted before
- Their work will astonish you

Come along and spend some time enjoying beautiful, authentic real art (No AI!). Maybe take some home.

Chat with the artists hear their stories – It will get you thinking –

- What is true beauty?
- Why does art move us so deeply?
- Is there more to life than we see?
- How does God speak to us?

There will be tea and cake available to nourish the body as well! Come curious. Leave inspired!

Ignatian Individually Guided Silent Retreats

Jun 26th -28th (Fri - Sun) Weekend Retreat (£160)

Jun 26th -1st July (Fri-Wed) Extended Weekend Retreat (£350)

Venue: Sclerder Abbey Retreat House, (Chemin Neuf)
Cornwall PL13 2JD

A retreat house with large garden and pleasant rural walks, close to the sea, once a Carmelite monastery situated near Looe offers simple accommodation. An opportunity to step back from everyday life to make space and time for God.

Cost includes full board & lodging, but help is available for those who would like to go on retreat but have difficulties with the recommended donations.

For further details and bookings contact

diocesan-ignatian-retreats@prcdtr.org.uk

or phone 01752 769164 or 07823 447637

Tavistock Foodbank: For your information the following goods are urgently required at the food bank:
Tinned fruit, Tinned meat, Coffee, Tinned custard, Noodles

Thank you

Volunteering for youth ministry, in the Diocese of Plymouth

Do you or have you thought about **volunteering** to work with the youth either in your parish or further afield? Youth Events are setting up a database of volunteers to keep in contact with them, offer training and support for the work they do, and keep them informed of events that are happening across the Diocese. In completing the form, it does not mean you are committed to any voluntary work, it is simply an expression of interest. People on the database will be contacted and asked if they would like to support an event. Please follow the link: [Volunteer Data Form – Youth Diocese Events – Fill in form](#) For further information please contact Ruby or Saskia: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

UNIVERSAL WELCOME AT PENTECOST

As we journey towards Pentecost, we remember the Church was universal in its make-up from its very beginning. To mark this Caritas has produced a WELCOME poster to celebrate the 75 languages we have identified being present in our parish communities here in the diocese. As part of [A Million Acts of Hope](#) we are inviting parishes to display our Welcome banners, not just for Pentecost, but to share our continued invitation that all are welcome in our churches and communities. Come and look at the poster and see how many languages you recognise!

Parish Notices:

Thank you to everyone who supported the **Big Diocesan Quiz** on Friday – totals raised for the Catholic Children's Society Plymouth will be declared next week.

Sunday 2nd May Collections:

Loose plate: £161.20 Standing Orders: £600

Vocations Sunday: £84 (Total £134)

Mass attendance: 72

Thank you

Bonus Ball News: on Saturday 2nd May the winner was Frances Cooper with ball number 19. She won £25. There were 25 subscribers that night so £0 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)**

The Pope's Intentions for May: That everyone might have food.

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food. <https://popesprayer.va>