



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Week Commencing Sunday 19th September 2023 (Year A)

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Readings: Ez 33:7-9 Ps94 Rom 13:8-10 Mt 18:15-20)

Saturday 9th	Vigil Mass of the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Yelverton 6pm Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 10th	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Tavistock 9am Mass <i>Paul Lumley</i>
	Yelverton 10.45am Mass <i>Anthony John RIP</i>
Tuesday 12th	Yelverton 5.25pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	6pm Mass <i>Bill & Margaret Douglas RIP</i>
Wednesday 13th	Tavistock 9.25am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	10am Mass <i>Private Intention</i>
Thursday 14th	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
	Yelverton 9.25am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	10am Mass <i>For all those who have worked for and contributed to this Parish</i>
Saturday 16th	Vigil Mass of the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Yelverton 6pm Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 17th	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Tavistock 9am Mass <i>For the forgotten dead and deceased members of the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom</i>
	Yelverton 10.45am Mass <i>God's Blessings on all our Parishioners, old and new</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:

Tom Sharp, Olive Wreford, Bill Douglas, Wilfreda Taylor

and the sick and/or housebound: including, Margaret Bradford, 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, Simon Gray, Leslie Longhurst and Eileen Hoy.

The Children's Liturgy will resume, after the Summer holidays, on Sunday 10th September, during the 10:45 Mass. It will take place in the Hall on this one occasion.

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

Centenary Celebrations preparation! Have you signed down to help on Saturday 16th September between 10am- 12 noon? It will be great if you can still help. Thank you.

CARITAS SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Caritas Diocese of Plymouth's September newsletter is now available to read online, full of uplifting news of Love in Action in our parishes and upcoming events. Please use the link : <https://tinyurl.com/ycktkp79> If you would like a printed copy, please telephone Caritas on 01364 645360

DEVON HISTORIC CHURCHES

The annual fundraising day is upon us!

A "treasure hunt" has been devised, starting at Holy Cross and walking around the churches in the village. Please can you join in **SUNDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2 pm** in the car park for 2.15pm start. Refreshments are available at the end of the walk in our hall.

There is a Sponsorship Form at the back of church to support Fr Cyriacus and his team. There is a longer "ride & stride" route for cyclists etc which you can do at any time. The clues will be on our website from 2nd September to download. Please DO support us if you can. If you can get your own sponsorship, please add it to the Holy Cross sheet. It is open until the end of September.

All monies raised go to DHC but they return half to us. For further information please contact Sue Savage s.m.savage@icloud.com. Thank you.

TACT Friends welcome if you would like to join us. The 7pm Service – this Sunday (10th September) Tavistock Methodist Church.

An open, informal and relaxed evening with contemporary worship, short message and opportunity for prayer ministry. Tea, coffee, hot chocolate from 6.30. Feel free to arrive / leave freely (usually finishes around 8.15 / 8.30pm). Bring your own reusable cup if you can.

Holy Cross is part of Plymouth Diocesan Trust (Registered Charity No 213227)

Youth Rally, 2023 Saturday 23rd September, St Rita's Honiton – 12- 6pm, Join youth from across the diocese in fun, games and challenges at St Rita's Honiton. Are you ready for the infamous obstacle course? Or are a keen to score lots of goals in the penalty shoot out or netball challenge. They'll be bouncy castles, didi cars, sumo wrestling challenges and much more for you to have a go at. The event is open to anyone 7 years through to 16. Young people will be placed in teams of 6 from their parish or a nearby parish. The £8 contribution includes a BBQ and drinks.

There is a **free coach** picking up from St Peter's, Crownhill at 10.30 to take groups or families to the Youth Rally on Saturday 23rd September. To book a place for your child on the event please follow this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/L2jn7EwXfH> or contact Saskia: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Season of Creation 2023—"Let Justice and Peace Flow" is the theme of this year's ecumenical Season of Creation, inspired by the words of the prophet Amos: "Let justice flow on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream" (5:24). The Season of Creation is an ecumenical celebration which runs from 1st September to 4th October. During the Season of Creation, we are invited to pray, act and focus on the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor – to listen to those whose voices are less heard; to pray for those individuals, communities, species, and ecosystems which are lost and those whose livelihoods are threatened by climate change. Pope Francis has shared a message for the start of the Season encouraging us all to take action to care for God's creation.

<https://seasonofcreation.org/2023/05/25/message-of-pope-francis-for-creation-day-2023/>

You can find ideas and resources for celebrating Season of Creation on the diocesan website <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/the-diocese/how-we-work/environment/season-of-creation/>

Franciscan at Home workshops - Would you like to spend an hour a week online, sharing insights on the gift of Baptism, or exploring 'what it means to be a disciple of our Eucharistic Lord'? These *Franciscan at Home* workshops centre on topics which are important to all of us and all are welcome. Join us in an online group, Mondays at 7.30 pm, Wednesdays at 7.00 pm, or both; beginning on September 11th to pray, listen and reflect. More workshops are available in Truro on Thursdays (online) and Sclerder Abbey on Wednesdays (live meeting). For a link or further information contact deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk

Seasonal Social Event - 18TH OCTOBER 2023 at 1pm— THE DARTMOOR CONCHIES' Dartmoor Prison's Conscientious Objectors of The Great War. We are privileged to welcome **Mr Simon Dell MBE**, one of the most sought-after public speakers in the county. Please come along and listen to a fascinating and entertaining talk and enjoy a light lunch with friends from OLA and Holy Cross. We will also have a range of interesting crafts and purchases for your perusal. Please come along and enjoy a bite to eat, a hot drink or even indulge in a hot chocolate with marshmallows! **Tickets £5, available at both churches after Mass or from Ann Ruth.**

Know your Faith

WHAT ARE THE ESSENTIAL FORMS OF CHRISTIAN PRAYER?

They are blessing and adoration, the prayer of petition and intercession, thanksgiving and praise. The Eucharist contains and expresses all the forms of prayer.

WHAT IS "BLESSING"? The prayer of blessing is man's response to God's gifts: we bless the Almighty who first blesses us and fills us with His gifts.

HOW CAN ADORATION BE DEFINED? Adoration is the first attitude of each individual acknowledging that he or she is a creature before the Creator God. It exalts the greatness of the Lord who made us and the almighty power of the Saviour who sets us free from evil. Adoration is homage of the spirit to the "King of Glory", respectful silence in the presence of the "ever greater" God. Adoration of the thrice-holy and sovereign God of love blends with humility and gives assurance to our supplications (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church no 2628).

Tavistock Food Bank—For your information the following goods are required at our food bank: **Tinned meat, soup, sponge puddings, shampoo, rice puddings, chocolate, tomatoes and milk, complete dog food, smash, noodles, tins of baked beans, toilet rolls.**

Parish Notices

Centenary Celebrations 17th September: Can you help towards the event or on the day? Pick up our *Final Countdown List* if you haven't already done so and see how you could help make it a special occasion. It's not too late!

Bonus Ball: on Saturday 2nd September ball number 16 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £30 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 30 subscribers that night.

Collection: 2nd & 3rd September 2023

Loose Plate: £155.25 Standing Orders: £615
Catholic Children's Society £20

Mass Attendance Sat 48 Sun 52

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 September—For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.