



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEK COMMENCING 11th February 2018

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Masses today: **9am** *Private Intention* & **10.30am** *Parish & People*
(Readings: Lev 13:1-2, 44-46 Ps 31 1Co 10:31 – 11:1 Mk 1: 40-45)

Masses during the week:-

Monday **No Mass**

Tuesday 10am 9.40am Rosary. Refreshments after Mass

Ash Wednesday 10am and 7pm (*Day of Fast & Abstinence*)

Thursday 10am Foundation Mass for Mary Lawlor and the deceased members of the Lawlor family.

Friday 10am 9.40am Rosary for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life

Saturday No Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation: After 10am weekday Masses and on request

Anniversaries – RIP: Melita Whittaker; Esther Sinclair; Mary O'Connor; Noel E Killeen; Geogius Aldous Slaughter; Monica Rodbard.

A warm welcome to our visitors

Today:

Please pray for the sick and/or housebound including, Margaret Phelps, Jill White, Nora Steel, Mary Silcox, Helen Revins, Margaret Bradford, Margaret Davies, Oscar Kennedy, Fred Brooks, Sheila Liggins & Hilary Prout.

Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage Collection 11th

February. As you know, each year our Diocese makes a pilgrimage to Lourdes. The Diocese aims to subsidise some of our pilgrims, and especially those who are sick and who have difficulty paying to go to Lourdes on this pilgrimage. It also helps to subsidise our youth pilgrims whose ministry on the pilgrimage is so invaluable. **So the Diocese is seeking to raise funds in support of these pilgrims and a collection will take place on Sunday 11th February.** Your contribution will help make it possible for those would-be pilgrims to go to Lourdes who would otherwise not be able to go because of financial hardship.

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*).

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.

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.

Lent at Holy Cross

Sundays – 4pm **Stations of the Cross** Starting Sunday 18th February.

A journey through Lent

"Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life..." -- Pope Benedict XVI.

A Journey through Lent is based on Father Denis McBride's book 'Stations of the Cross then and now' and is series of readings and reflections depicting the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. **Join us for one hour each week at Holy Cross, between 7pm and 8pm starting on Thursday 22nd February** then continuing on each Tuesday throughout Lent. Everyone is welcome. If anyone would like to read on any of the evenings, or for further information please contact Francine Brooks or Ann Ruth.

Walk With Me – A Lenten Journey of Prayer for 2018
This year's theme is taking guidance from St Ignatius of Loyola. He was a professional soldier who became a soldier for Christ. Each day contains a brief reflection, either on the scripture reading of the day or on a catechetical theme. The beauty about **Walk with Me** is the size of the booklet (it's an ideal fit for a pocket or handbag), the price, costing only £1, and its approach, it is written in a simple and accessible style. Limited copies available so get your copy today – available at the back of the Church.

Dates:

CAFOD Family Fast Day on Friday 23rd February is an opportunity to support those who don't have enough to eat by giving up a meal in solidarity with them and donating what you have saved.

This Lent your donation will make double the difference as the UK Government will also donate a pound for every pound you give up to a total of £5 million

Fast Day envelopes will be given out Sunday 18th February.
Fran Blackmore

The SVP will meet on **Tuesday 13th Feb** after Mass in the Upper Rooms.

The Evangelisation Group will meet at **7:15pm Wednesday 21 February** – All welcome

The next PPC Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 28th February at 7pm** in the Hall. If you have an item you would like considered please see Fr Louis or Ann Ruth (in the absence of PPC Secretary, Mary Pike).

Retreats in the Diocese of Plymouth 2018. Please see the Poster on the notice board at the back of the Church for details & Booking Forms are also available. The Lenten Quiet Day on the 3rd March is a popular event so if you are interested in this please book early to avoid disappointment of being turned down, as happened last year to a number of people. As well as the Advertised Programme it is possible to arrange retreats for one or two people at other times of the year. For Booking and any general information please contact: The Presbytery, 19 Fosse Road, Kingsbridge, Devon TQ7 1NG. Telephone 01548 852670. E Mail: mjbutler6@yahoo.com or adriantoffolo@yahoo.co.uk.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land February 2019
Bookings are coming in for this pilgrimage to be led by Bishop Mark from the 18th to 25th February next year. Completed booking forms and deposits need to be received before the 18th April this year. To request an itinerary and booking form, please contact Pilgrimage People on 0800 6123423 (info@pilgrimagepeople.org) quoting Ref: PLYM01. We will be travelling from Luton airport and options for transport to and from the airport will be available.

Notices

Mass Intentions: If you wish to request a Mass Intention you will find on the table, at the back of the Church, Mass intention slips and envelopes. When you have given brief details, please place the slip, and your offering, in the envelope and hand it to me, leave it in the sacristy or put it through the Presbytery letter box. Mass intention cards are also available in the Carousel at the back of Church.
Fr Louis

The Pope's Intentions for February:

'Universal: Say "No" to Corruption

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption

New to the Parish? If you have not done so, it would be really helpful you could please fill in the form at the back of the church giving your name & details for Parish records? Thank you.

Department of Education Consultation on "Changes to the teaching of Sex and Relationship Education & PSHE." The rationale is to introduce the idea of diversity of relationships at an early age. The Government has launched a consultation on what should be taught in these new compulsory subjects. All concerned citizens, and especially parents, grandparents and those working professionally in schools are encouraged to take part in this consultation which closes at 11:45pm on Monday, 12th Feb 2018. To make your submission go to www.education.gov.uk/consultations A SPUC message of concern can viewed in full at the back of the church or online under this week's newsletter with details of how to respond to the consultation proposals.

Parish Handbook 2018 – a completely revised and updated edition has been published and is now available. Do take a copy. It is hoped parishioners will find this a useful resource. It is free. However, an offering to offset printing costs would be very welcome and will go towards parish funds.

Available:-

Catholic Herald £2.50

Catholic South West for February 50p

CTS booklets available from the rack

Selection of cards/Books in the carousel

N.B. Due to poor sales take-up and postal delays, from March the **Catholic Herald** will no longer be available for sale at Holy Cross. Please contact the Catholic Herald if you want to order their publication and have it posted direct to your address.

www.catholic herald.co.uk

Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

The Bonus Ball winner on 3rd February was Bekki Baker with ball number 38. She won £25. There were 46 subscribers that night so £21 went to Parish funds.

The Collection last Sunday:

Loose plate £187.71

Gift aided £598.00.

Thank you

Parish Secretary, Ann Ruth - Office Hours this week: Tues 16:00-17:30 Thurs 16:00-17:30; Fri: 09:00-16:30

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

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sue Walsh & Mike Green

