



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Week Commencing Sunday 14th February 2021 (Year B) The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Racial Justice Day

(Readings: Lev 13:1-2.44-46 Ps 31 1Co 10:31- 11:1 Mk: 40-45)

Saturday 13 th	Vigil Mass of The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Yelverton 6pm	Maria Swords RIP
Sunday 14 th	The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Tavistock 9am	People of the Parish
	Yelverton 10.45am	Stanley Charles Norton RIP
Tuesday 16 th	Yelverton 10am	Aniela Rieunier RIP
Ash Wednesday 17 th	Tavistock 10am	Deceased Members of Demery Family
	Yelverton 7pm	Ken Yates RIP
Thursday 18 th	<i>Feria</i>	Captain Sir Tom Moore RIP
Friday 19 th	Yelverton 10am	Canon Rae RIP
Saturday 20 th	Vigil Mass of The First Sunday in Lent	
	Yelverton 6pm	Private Intention
Sunday 21 th	First Sunday in Lent	
	Tavistock 9am	People of the Parish
	Yelverton 10.45am	Ken Yates RIP

As we are in Tier 4, the Government guidelines state places of worship can open for communal services. This means we can continue with our Masses.

Once in church you must: - wear a face covering to keep your nose and mouth covered at all times (except when receiving Holy Communion) - sit in your allocated seat and not move around or chat with friends or fellow parishioners from outside of your household or support bubble. These are requirements of us being able to be open and we appreciate your support with this.

A warm welcome to our visitors!

Parish Notices:-

Please pray for:

the Repose of the Soul of **Ken Yates**, Francine Brooks' father, who died during the week. We pray especially for his wife Dorothea, her family and friends who mourn Ken at this sad time. May he rest in peace.

the sick and/or housebound including, Margaret Phelps, Jill White, Nora Steel, Margaret Bradford, Margaret Davies and Barbara Everet.

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time
Noel E Killeen, Georgius A Slaughter, Monica Rodbard, and Maude Ross.

The members of the **Mothers Prayers group** are currently continuing to hold their normal weekly meetings on-line at **9.15 am on Wednesday mornings**. Please contact mguly@aol.com with prayer requests.

More stewards and sanitisers are needed to help at our Masses. Please let the Parish Office know if you can assist us. Fr Martin

'**Walk with Me**' A Journey of Lenten Prayer for 2021 booklets are now available at £1 per copy. If you require a copy, and have not already done so, please contact the Parish Office/Ann Ruth as soon as possible.

Other Notices: -

Respond to Department of Health consultation to stop home abortions! The Department of Health is holding a public consultation on whether to continue the practice of allowing abortion providers to send abortion pills to women so that they can perform their own abortion at home. We need as many pro-life people as possible to complete the Department of Health's questionnaire in order to help stop dangerous DIY abortions becoming permanent. SPUC has prepared a briefing which gives a step-by-step guide to completing the consultation questionnaire.

Please go to <https://www.spuc.org.uk/Get-Involved/Campaigns/England-DIY-Abortion-Consultation>

The consultation ends on 26th February

Pilgrimage of Healing and Thanksgiving

I plan to be the spiritual leader of a gently paced pilgrimage to the Holy Land in early March 2022. It will include a full programme of visits to the Holy Sites and staying in excellent Christian accommodation in the hills of Samaria and Judea and closing with three nights at the Sea of Galilee. Places are limited to a total of 30, on a first come first served basis. To register your interest and for further detail please contact Della Shenton on della@5gr.org.

Bishop Mark

Lent....

Cafod Lent Family Fast Day is on Friday 26 February – please see separate insert with this newsletter about the Appeal – Big Walk for Water.

Caritas Lent Resources: Caritas Plymouth has developed some resources for individual, group and parish reflection during Lent 2021. The resources include podcasts, links to websites and ideas for reflection during Lent, with a focus on Catholic Social Teaching <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Lenten-2021->

Covid 19—a very challenging time for many marriages. So much uncertainty around, health, income, employment, vulnerable family members, children, housing. Different ways of seeing things, coping with change, managing fears can be a source of conflict and stress. It can be difficult to talk, to listen to support and comfort when there is so much uncertainty. Being together all the time, brings even more challenges. You just can't cope, would be better apart you wonder. Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples, it brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage and you don't need to leave home, it comes to you! For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for the next programme, a Virtual weekend commencing on 25th- 28th February 2021:

Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443. Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com – or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Catholic Children's Society: Thank you for everything you continue to do to help the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) as we appreciate that 2020 was a difficult year for everyone and our main fundraising activities such as the Annual Appeal and the Crib Appeal have been affected as a result. We are so grateful to every parish who was still able to support us with either or both of these appeals and totals will be provided in the next edition of our newsletter 'Children First' as Crib Appeal money is still being paid in.

Stay Awake 2021 – Booking is open via the webpage: see www.stayawakejc.com for more info and to receive the Zoom link for entry. This is the *third year* for our home-grown **all age** event and takes place on **Saturday 27th February**, via Zoom. Running from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm with inspiring/encouraging talks, praise, worship and fellowship, in the comfort of your own home! Includes a session for kids from 13:00 – 13:30 (Reception – Yr 9). Stay Awake allows us to go deeper with Jesus and build Christian discipleship. This is a free event!

Check out the new Facebook and Instagram Pages – be sure to like/follow to keep updated with all things.

Stay Awake, and to see some fun content! Links below and we look forward to seeing you online!

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stayawakejc19/>

Instagram: [instagram.com/stayawakejc19](https://www.instagram.com/stayawakejc19)

Email: stayawakejc19@gmail.com

Parish Notices Continued:

GDPR—Fr Martin is currently undertaking an audit and checking what parish information might be kept off site, ie away from the parish office. If anyone has any such information, then please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Easter Cards Sue Savage has a great selection of Easter Cards for sale – please contact her or Ann Ruth if you require any. £2 for 5 - more discount applied if you purchase 10, 15 or 20!

Foodbank – We are currently supporting the Horrabridge Community Food Store. Items required are: Tinned vegetables & meals, ravioli, Frey Bentos pies, toilet roll, washing up liquid, laundry powder, small boxes of tea, coffee, sugar. Polite request: no more pasta, rice or cereals as they have an abundance at the moment. Items can still be left on the bench under the porch and they will be taken on Wednesday mornings. For more information about this community visit their Facebook group page:

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/217891756264547?view=group>

Caritas Plymouth have secured further funding for food provision in our communities with a very generous donation from the Albert Gubay Charitable Foundation. Caritas Plymouth can offer funding to support the distribution of food or supermarket vouchers to those in most need across the Diocese of Plymouth. They want to work through our schools, parishes and organisations reaching the most vulnerable and are inviting applications for funding which can be used to purchase food or food vouchers for distribution to those who are struggling. If necessary, Caritas Plymouth can purchase the e-vouchers and send them through to parishes. For further information please contact the Parish Office. Applications need to be made by 1 March and Caritas Plymouth would aim to confirm funding awards within 2 weeks of that date.

We have received information from the Vicariate for Evangelisation - **Marriage & Family Life**. They have sent information about online marriage enrichment from World Wide Marriage Encounter. If you would like to receive this information please let the Parish Office/Ann Ruth know and she will forward it to you.

The Bonus Ball winner: on Saturday 6th February ball number 6 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

Recent Collections

Standing orders: £617.00 Other collections will be counted after the Lockdown. **Thank you**

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

Parish Secretary working hours: Tues & Fri 9am-2pm.

The **Parish Safeguarding Representative** is Sue Walsh (Tel: 07767480807)

The Pope's Universal intention for February - Violence against women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded