



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEK COMMENCING 14th January 2018

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – *PEACE SUNDAY*

Masses today: 9am Deceased Parents of Declan & Anne Keogh & 10.30am *Parish & People*

Masses during the week

Monday	No Mass	
Tuesday	10am	9.40am Rosary. Refreshments after Mass
Wednesday	7pm	<i>St Anthony (Abbot)</i>
Thursday	10am	
Friday	11 am	Requiem Mass for Irene Cussen - RIP
Saturday	No Mass	

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

Anniversaries – RIP: Jane S McKinnon; Florence Leahy; Sr. Louise (Margaret McLoughlin); Marie Lynch; Rose McGarrity; Victor Reed

A warm welcome to our visitors to Holy Cross

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.

Maureen Wildash, RIP Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maureen who died last week, as well as for Gill Lewis, her daughter, and the family.

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children is a Lobby Group (and not a charity) that works at the forefront of the pro-life campaign to save unborn babies and their mothers from the tragedy of abortion. It also campaigns on other pro-life issues such as the promotion of the family, and opposing assisted suicide and euthanasia. **You are invited to support its work in response to SPUC's Appeal which will take place today.**

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.

We can use your 'new but surplus to requirements' Christmas gifts.

There is a box at the back of church over the next few weeks to receive items which will be put up for sale; proceeds to church funds.

Parish Handbook 2018 – a completely revised and updated edition will be published next week. Do look out for a copy. It is hoped you will find this a useful resource.

Available:-

***Catholic Herald* £2.50**

***Catholic South West* for January 50p**

CTS booklets available from the rack

Pope Francis' "Share the Journey" Campaign – CAFOD. Purbeck Catholic Parishes CAFOD Newsletter January 2018 available at the back of the Church – please take a copy, it's Free.

Jesus Rediscovered. There was a good take-up of this book during the Christmas Masses. There are still quite a few copies left which will again be distributed at Easter. Some regular parishioners have also expressed interest in this book. You are welcome to take a copy if you are interested. (They will be removed from the church after Mass on Sunday 14th January 2018.

Children First, the newsletter of the Catholic Children's Society, is now available at the back of church or can be found on the Society's website www.cccsplymouth.org.uk. To receive the newsletter direct to your door or mailbox please contact our office on 01364 645420 or email ccs@prcdtr.org.uk

Dates:

Christian Unity – The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity will begin on 18th January and end on 25th January.

This year, Holy Cross will be hosting the annual ecumenical service for Christian Unity. It will be held on **Sunday 21st January at 3pm** and our local Christian communities will be joining us. Please do support this with your attendance if you can.

There will be a **Choir practice at St Paul's, Yelverton at 6pm on Friday 19th January**. Please come along if you can.

After the Service on Sunday light refreshments will be served in the hall. Volunteers are required for this – please let Ann Ruth know if you are able to assist and/or provide cakes.

FORMING INTENTIONAL DISCIPLES: Information Evening 16th January at 7.15pm. If you have not yet had the opportunity to take part in this diocesan initiative or would like a refresher, you are invited to join a new group which will meet at the Cathedral for 7 Tuesdays at 7.15pm. This is for every member of the church community and is to fulfil Jesus' great commission to "Go and make Disciples" *Matthew 28:19*. All Welcome.

Evangelisation Group Meeting 7:15 in the Hall. All welcome

Formation Days for Catechists: - calling all catechists and "would be" catechists who help pass on the faith in any way by involvement in Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation, RCIA, Marriage Preparation programmes or Children's Liturgy. A four-part course is being offered, free of charge, to help you grow in your knowledge of the faith and a sense of personal calling. Content will include Teaching to Pray, Liturgical Life, Preparing the Faith and Life in Christ. The following dates and venues are available: **St. Peter's Parish Room, Crownhill, Plymouth (PL5 3AX) 10.30am-1pm** - Saturdays, Feb 3rd, May 5th, Oct 6th 2018 and Jan 19th 2019

Plymouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 2-8 August 2018. £779 fully inclusive. Contact Pilgrimage Director: Rev Kieran Kirby 01803 294142.

Plymouth Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 2-8 August 2018. £495 fully inclusive. Contact: Rev Anthony O'Gorman 01637 851697.

Notices

The **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION preparation programme for 2018 will be starting on Sunday 28th January at 9:15**

Any parent/guardian whose child is in school Year 3 or above and wishes to start the preparation, should fill in a registration form, which can be collected from the back of the church. This should be handed to either Father Louis or Mary Pike by Sunday 21st January.

The organisers of the **Tavistock Foodbank** wish to thank all those parishioners who supported them with Christmas donations, enabling special parcels to be delivered to individuals and families in need. Many people are only two or three pay packets away from poverty and hunger; some are always on the edge of it. Your gifts and your continuing support make a real difference and are greatly appreciated.

Used stamps: Don't forget we collect these for the Catholic Children's Society. There is a container on the table at the back of the church.

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.

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 Sacristy if needed.
Fr Louis

Around & About subscriptions of £6 are now due for the coming year, 10 issues. This local inter-church magazine is available for those who wish to take it. See Sue Walsh.

The Bonus Ball winner on 6th January was Bernard Mills with ball number 50. He won £25. There were 46 subscribers that night so £21 went to Parish funds.

The Collection last Sunday:

Loose plate £212.50

Gift aided £858.00.

Thank you

The Pope's Intentions for January:

'That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.'

**Parish Secretary, Ann Ruth - Office Hours this week:
Wed 13:30-18:30; Thurs 16:00-17:00; Fri: 13:30-17:30**

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

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sue Walsh & Mike Green

