



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEK COMMENCING 18th March 2018

Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year B)

Masses today: **9am** *For the People of the Parish* & **10.30am**
(Readings: Jr 31:31-34 Ps 50 Heb 5:7-9 Jn 12: 20-30)

Masses during the week:-

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	10am 9.40am Rosary. Refreshments after Mass
Wednesday	10am
Thursday	10am
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: Douglas J Hoy; Nora Hammond; Majorie A Parkes

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, Sheila Liggins & Hilary Prout.

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).

Easter Egg Raffle. With only 3 weeks to go please support this annual fundraising event. £1 a square. To be drawn at coffee on Easter Sunday. Proceeds to church funds.

Easter Flower Collection – Let us all contribute to making our church look beautiful with floral decorations this Easter. Look out for the collection basket at the back of the church.

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.

Share the Journey - Pope Francis has launched ***Share the Journey***, a new global campaign for the rights of people on the move. He reminds us: “Christ asks us to welcome our brothers and sister migrants and refugees with arms wide open”. A copy of the general information sheet and a note about the particular events taking place in the Diocese is with this Newsletter.

Mass Intentions: Mass Intention slips & envelopes are on the table at the back of Church. Please complete and place the slip, and your offering, in the envelope and hand to Fr Louis, leave it in the sacristy or put it through the Presbytery letter box.

Lent at Holy Cross

Sundays – 4pm Stations of the Cross

A journey through Lent

**We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you
The Gift of the Holy Eucharist.**

You are invited to attend these sessions which provide an opportunity to focus on our love of Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament, the Mass, and our Mission. These sessions will help us to open our hearts to the merciful gaze of Christ, present in the Blessed Sacrament, who comes so that we may have life and live it in its fullness, so that we may know him more clearly, love him more dearly, and follow him more nearly. Each session will be followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Join us at Holy Cross

Tuesday 20th March & Tuesday 27th March at 7pm

Lent Penitential Services:

Plympton:	Tuesday 20 th March	7.30pm
Cathedral	Wednesday 21st March	7pm
Crownhill	Thursday 22 nd March	7pm
Keyham	Friday 23 rd March	7pm

CAFOD Family Fast Day was on **Friday 23rd February**. 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 & Lenten collection boxes are available at the back of the church. *Fran Blackmore*

Available at the back of church:-

Catholic South West 50p

CTS booklets – individually priced in the rack
Selection of cards/Books in the carousel.

N.B. Easter Cards and new Mass Intention Cards have been added to the carousel

Dates:

RISE Theatre presents a new, original play about the life of Blessed Oscar Romero: Romero Heartbeat of El Salvador. RISE Theatre is a professional Christian theatre company with a passion for delivering exciting, original, transformative theatre. **Wednesday 28th March.** Refreshments available from 7pm at Notre Dame School. Cost: Adult £10 Child/Concession £5. For more information please see the Poster on the noticeboard at the back of Church.

The Great Big Diocesan Quiz – Friday 13th April 7 for 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. If you are interested in attending this event to raise funds for the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) then please put your name down on the list at the back of the Church. £3.00 per head, please bring your own drinks and nibbles – I will provide tea/coffee, and there will be a raffle. All proceeds for the CCS. For further information contact Ann Ruth.

Rosary on the Coast – for faith, life and peace in the British Isles. Sunday 29th April 2018 at 3pm on Plymouth Hoe. Please see poster on the noticeboard.

Celebrate Ascension Thursday at Buckfast Abbey: join the Catholic Children's Society for the day on 10th May to raise funds for our local families in need. Mass will be celebrated at midday, followed by lunch and a talk from the Rt Hon Ann Widdecombe. Tickets £25 to include lunch and a tour of the grounds or the Abbey. Call our office 01364 645420 or email ccs@prcdtr.org.uk for details.

Date for your diary:- Wine, cheese and home-made bread **Friday May 18th** in our Parish hall. We trust that you will welcome our plan for another wine evening and hope that you will put this date in your diary. *Pam and Dave Adam, Bob and Sheila Naybour*

Plymouth Diocese - Catechetical Summer Camps 2018 The camps, running for over 60 years, have provided an opportunity for the young people of the diocese to meet and grow together in their faith and love of Our Lord Jesus, and beauty of the liturgy and prayer. The emphasis this year will be to join in a theme of "Celebration", as our hosts, the abbot and monks of Buckfast Abbey celebrate their own 1000 anniversary.

There are three camps running this year: one Junior, one Senior and one camp (St Petroc's) for students in school years 11-13. Applications are now being taken for places at the Plymouth Diocese Catechetical Summer Camps, to be held at Grangehurst, Buckfast Abbey.

Camp details and application forms can be obtained from Ann Ruth or on-line from the camp website : www.pdsummercamps.org.uk Prompt applications are advisable

The Pope's Intentions for March:

'That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.'

Run to the Son – This event is taking place on June 22nd to 24th 2018 at Buckfast Abbey. "A weekend for Transformation and Mission". Organised by Plymouth Diocese Vicariate for Evangelisation and Buckfast Abbey, to help equip you for mission. Open to everyone in Plymouth Diocese and beyond. Under 18's to be accompanied by a responsible adult. For further information please see the poster on the notice board at the back of the Church. Hopefully copies of the poster will be available to take. If you need further help or support contact Marian Wilkes on 01752 701660 or e-mail: Plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk. Alternatively call Geoff Pring on 01364 645532 or e-mail: Warden@buckfast.org.uk

Notices

Buckfast Abbey Millennium Celebration

Two parish representatives are invited to attend the Mass of thanksgiving on the solemnity of Our Lady of Buckfast. The Archbishop of Westminster, Vincent Cardinal Nichols, will preside. This will take place on **Thursday 24th May 2018 at 12:05** in the Abbey Church followed by a Buffet Lunch.

If you are interested in attending this special event please let Ann Ruth know as soon as possible. We have to confirm attendance by no later than 23rd March 2018. So you will have from now until **12noon on Sunday 18th March 2018** to put your name forward to Ann. There will be a draw if more than two people wish to attend this event.

SVP We have sent a further £200 for the **Sudan Baby Feeding Appeal**, which has been donated through the collection box at the back of Church. We would like to thank all who have contributed, and the box will continue to be used for this appeal as the situation in the Sudan is not improving.

TO ALL GIFT AIDERS.

The new envelopes for 2018/2019 are in the porch, these start on Sunday 8th April. Please if you have any changes to your address can you let me know before the end of the Tax Year 5th April 2018. Many thanks, Lucy Hayes, (Gift Aid Officer)
Tel 01822 853679, email knightstonetea@yahoo.co.uk

The Collection last Sunday:

Loose plate £195.09 Gift aided £244.00
CAFOD fast day £217.30

A special thank you to a parishioner for their generous £1,000 donation. Fr Louis

The Bonus Ball winner: on 10th March was Bernard Mills with ball number 50. He won £25. There were 46 subscribers that night so £21 went to Parish funds. **Please could subscribers check whether they are paid up as a few have lapsed**

Parish Secretary (Ann Ruth) - Office Hours this week:
Tue-Thur 16:00-18:30 Fri: 3:45-18:15

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

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sue Walsh & Mike Green



Share the Journey - taking action in solidarity with people fleeing war, persecution, natural disaster and poverty.

Pope Francis has launched ***Share the Journey***, a new global campaign for the rights of people on the move. He reminds us: "Christ asks us to welcome our brothers and sister migrants and refugees with arms wide open".

Join Bishop Mark at **Buckfast Abbey** on **Saturday 5th May 2018 at 1pm- 4.30pm** for a **Share the Journey Afternoon** to reflect, pray and find out how we can take action in solidarity with migrants and refugees. Be inspired by speakers Bishop Mark, Libby Abbott of CAFOD and Nick Hanrahan of Jesuit Refugee Service UK. Be resourced, share ideas and make plans.

For those from the east of the diocese there will be a **Share the Journey Day** at **St Mary's Poole Dorset** on **April 21st 2018 11am** to finish by **3.30pm (10am Mass)**

The **Share the Journey Exhibition** (first shown in the Houses of Parliament) will be at **Buckfast Abbey** for two weeks from **27th April until 13th May**.

For further information contact Mary Conway mary.conway@prcdtr.org.uk or Simon Giarchi sgiarchi@cafod.org.uk Also please see attachment