

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

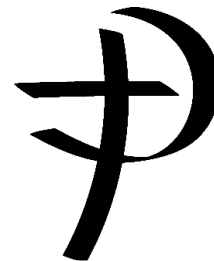
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Week Commencing Sunday 2nd March 2025— Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

(Readings: Sir 27:4-7 Ps 92 (91) 1Co 15:54-58 Lk 6:39-45)

Day for the Unemployed

Sunday 2nd March	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Mass 9am	<i>Elizabeth Beverley RIP</i>
Wednesday 5th March	Ash Wednesday	
	Mass 10am	<i>McDermott & Kenny Families RIP</i>
Sunday 9th March	First Sunday of Lent	
	Mass 9am	<i>Karen Gasche RIP</i>
Sunday 16th March	Second Sunday of Lent	
	Mass 9am	<i>Michael Knight RIP</i>
Sacrament of Reconciliation: – After Mass or by appointment.		

A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

Please pray for:

all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Eamon McNamara, Beatrice Johnstone, Johannes Boyan, Morton, Marcel de Gascun, Tony Proctor, William Earlie, Peter Ruth, John Lynch, Patrick Coleman.

the sick and/or housebound, including: Margaret Davies, Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Anne Stanton, Seth Marks, Margaret Drayton, Mary Boon, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst, Eileen Hoy, Monica Finn, Alexandra Vanduivanbode, Mary Gibbs, Susan Beavan, Jane Devenish & Jose Belshaw

for Frankie Harrington, RIP who died recently, a sister to Fr Michael Cole, RIP. We also pray for their family, including Anne Hague & Dermot Cole at this sad time.

Message from Bishop Philip Moger:

At the beginning of November 2024, just before I was to begin my ministry in Plymouth, I let it be known that concerns of a personal nature had been raised, to which I had to attend immediately. This has taken longer than I anticipated. All things considered, I have come to the decision to present to the Holy Father a request to step down from my appointment as Bishop of the Diocese of Plymouth. The Holy Father has accepted my request. For the immediate future, I will be taking a sabbatical: a time of prayer and personal reflection, the next stage on the journey of my ministry. I realise, with regret, that this leaves a continuing vacancy in the Diocese of Plymouth. I assure the lay faithful, clergy and religious of the Diocese of my good wishes and prayers, and ask the same of them for me.

24 February 2025

The Martha Group will meet in the hall on Tuesday 4th March at 10am. (There is no Mass that day) All are welcome to attend

PANCAKES ON SHROVE TUESDAY - 4th March

The Martha Group invite you to a *Pancake Lunch* on Tuesday 4th March, available from 12-1.30pm in our hall.

There will be a selection of savoury and sweet pancakes. Donations in aid of CAFOD. Please do come and support this social event prior to Lent beginning the next day.

Refreshments will be served in the hall after Mass. If you can take a turn to serve refreshments sometime, please can you fill in the rota in the hall.

There will be **Children's Liturgy** during Mass today. *Please remember children under 4 must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for them.*

Palm Crosses—please can you bring back your palm crosses from last year and place them in the basket provided at the back of the church. Thank you.

Walk with me. Lent Booklets are now available at the back of the Church, £1 per copy.

World Day of Prayer 2025

You are warmly welcome to join this ecumenical service at **Rock Methodist Church Yelverton on Friday, 7th March at 2pm.** Refreshments will be available afterwards.

Parish Secretary— Ann Ruth **Yelverton: Wednesdays 9am- 12.15pm & Fridays 12.45pm – 4pm**

Tavistock: Wednesdays 12.45pm-4pm & Fridays 9am-12.15pm

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We dare to hope - A Parish Lent course.

As we are now in full flow of the Church's Holy Year, where we are called to be 'pilgrims of Hope', here is a chance to explore and engage with the true and deep virtue of Hope which should permeate our lives and be shared with everyone we meet. This 5-week course, written by the Dominican Sisters of the New Forest, will be held in St. Peter's Parish Room, Crownhill on **Thursdays in Lent at 7pm. The dates are March 13th, 20th and 27th and April 3rd and 10th.** Come along, 'dive into Hope', and bring a friend with you.

Flame is aimed at **young people aged 13 - 23.** The Diocese will be taking 2 coaches of young people, one coach starting from Plymouth, picking up enroute through Devon. The other coach will be taking a group from Dorset. Flame is a series of speakers and bands from across the world. For more details about the programme: <https://cymfed.org.uk/flame/Tickets> are £35 to include entry and travel. To book: <https://forms.office.com/e/xFz6K2Vkd7> For further information contact, Saskia.youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Revelation – in this Jubilee year where Pope Francis has asked us to be active "Pilgrims of Hope", renowned scripture scholar and author, Fr. Nicholas King SJ, will lead us to understand the **Book of Revelation** and how the Word of God is our power for Mission. This event will be held at Buckfast Abbey conference centre on **Saturday 15th March 10am-4pm. (Dart View Room 4)**. There is an opportunity to go to the Abbey Mass at noon. Booking is **essential** and needs to be done through plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk Enquiries: 01752 701660. We look forward to seeing you at this inspiring day.

Online Prayer Group. An online group has been sharing Morning Prayer and Night Prayer, Monday to Fridays, for the last two years. We simply pray the Divine Office together (over about twelve minutes) - 'for the sake of the Church and the world'. People dip in, as they can (no apologies needed when we can't). There is no obligation to read, just join us in prayer. For more information contact <deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk>

Lent retreat day on Saturday 15th March 2025 at St Rita's Centre. "WHO AM I? A TOURIST OR A PILGRIM?" by Fr. Ignatius Paul Raj. The day will begin with coffee/tea on arrival at 9.30am. First Talk will start at 10am, second talk will be at 11am. Exposition and Adoration of the holy Sacrament in silence will be at 12pm. Lunch will be served at 1.00pm, Mass at 2.45pm and there will be an opportunity for Confession. The charge for the day, including lunch, is just £25.00. Payment can be made on the day. Booking can be made by phone, email or Online <https://www.stritascentre.org/events-retreats-1/lent-retreat-day-who-am-i-a-tourist-or-a-pilgrim>.

Pope's Intentions March 2025: For the new Martyrs We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. <https://popesprayer.va>

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

There is a vacancy for a **Property Administrator**. To express your interest please contact recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk Closing date for applications is March 3rd .

Parish Secretary, Holy Trinity Parish Plymouth. 12 hours per week spread over three days. Office based in Beacon Park. To apply please contact:

recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk to obtain an application form. Applications are by covering letter and application form to recruitment@prcdtr.org.uk. Closing date is Monday 3rd March 2025.

Tavistock Foodbank: For your information the following goods are urgently required at the food bank: **Fruit squash, Pasta sauce, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned fruit, Rice, Jam, Pot noodles.**

A big thanks from everyone at Tavistock Foodbank

Vigil Service for Ukraine

Six of us were privileged to be part of the Ecumenical Vigil service held on the 24th February, the 3rd anniversary of the invasion of Ukraine by Russia. In a packed, St Eustachius, we were welcomed by Fr. Matt Godfrey; the Mayor of Tavistock, Cllr. Paul Ward and by Liuba Malynovska, on behalf of the Ukrainian community, who was applauded for her moving thanks to Tavistock, the host families and the British people as a whole.

The prayers were read in English by two people, one English and one Ukrainian and then repeated in Ukrainian. A very poignant tribute was paid to a local man, by his parents. Callum had volunteered to fight for Ukraine and was killed in action. You could have heard a pin drop. A short address from Reverend Matt focused on "love thy Neighbour" in following St John's Gospel, welcoming Ukrainians has valued, loved members of our community.

Anon.

Parish Notices:

Collections 23rd February

Loose Plate £141 Standing Orders £680
Card Reader: £10

Mass Attendance: 54

Thank you

Bonus Ball News: on **Saturday 22nd February** Ann Ruth won with ball number 5. She won £25. There were 30 subscribers that night so £5 went to church funds.

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**)

