



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Week Commencing Sunday 21st January 2024 (Year B)

(Readings: Jo 3:1-5.10 Ps 24 1Co 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20)

Saturday 20th	Vigil Mass of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 21st	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Tavistock	9am	Mass <i>Mary Tyler RIP</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass <i>Private Intention</i>
Tuesday 23rd	Yelverton	6pm	Mass
	Tavistock	6pm	Rosary Group
Wednesday 24th	Tavistock	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
<i>St Francis de Sales</i>		10am	Mass
Thursday 25th	Yelverton	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
<i>Conversion of St Paul</i>		10am	Mass
Saturday 27th	Vigil Mass of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 28th	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Tavistock	9am	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass <i>People of the Parish</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 week.

the sick and/or housebound including: Margaret Davies, Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Anne Stanton, Seth Marks, Shelagh Robinson, Margaret Drayton, Mary Boon, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Robert Edwards, Anne O’Kelly, Fr Michael Cole, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst, Eileen Hoy, and Monica Finn.

There will be **Children’s Liturgy** during the 10.45am Mass. *Please remember children under 4 must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for them.*

Refreshments will be served in the hall after the 10.45am Mass on Sundays. If you could take a turn, please sign the rota in the hall.

Cards have been printed depicting each of the worked squares of the wall hanging. They are very attractive, on good quality card and suitable for various occasions or just as notelets. They will be on sale after Mass on Sundays. Arrangements have been made for more to be printed if necessary. Proceeds to Holy Cross Church.

Tavistock Area Christians Together Unity Service & AGM - Sunday 21st January at the United Reformed Church, Russell Street, Tavistock 4 - 6pm

You are very warmly invited to attend the above as part of The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024; the unity service will start at 4pm followed by the AGM at around 5.15pm, with refreshments in between. It is always a joy & blessing to celebrate together, and a time of great encouragement as we hear of what God has been doing through the unity of His church in our area, with updates from TACT’s many joint activities! Join us if you can!

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!!

Hot Pot Supper Saturday 27th January 2024 after the Evening Vigil Mass in **Holy Cross Church Hall**

On a Winter’s evening what could be better than a cosy Hot Pot supper, especially when it’s all prepared for you?

Vegetarian option available!

Do come and join us, the Martha Group, as we raise funds for our parish and bring some soft or alcoholic drinks with you. Tea and coffee will be provided.

All donations gratefully accepted to support Holy Cross parish. Thank you for your support.

Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.

Next RCIA group Friday 26th January at Our Lady of the Assumption Meeting Room at 5.30pm.

Holy Cross is part of Plymouth Diocesan Trust (Registered Charity No 213227)

NEEDLES AND PINS: a time to use or learn skills in the textile crafts – anything to do with needles and pins - so we would include knitting, crochet, etc.

Next meeting **Wednesday 24th January** in the church hall at Holy Cross from **2-4pm**. Refreshments available.

Youth – Friday 9th February – 6pm Yelverton
teaching by Fr Cyriacus and Prep for Youth Mass

Sunday 11th February – Youth Mass at Yelverton
Followed by Youth fund raising event - Cake sale.

Saturday 2nd March– Inspire Music Festival at Buckfast Abbey
You need to **sign up** for this event **before January 28th**
See poster for details.

GATHER 2024 - The annual GATHER Conference unites people from across the Diocese of Plymouth and further afield for a weekend of faith, formation and friendship. This year, once again, we will gather at the Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay from Friday 23rd February – Sunday 25th February. Speakers include Avril Baigent from the Diocese of Northampton, artist Colin Bentley, Sr Mary Magdalen from the Sisters of Mary, Morning Star, Lynton and David Wells. Jo Boyce, from CJM Music will be leading the liturgies. Join us for the whole weekend or come as a day delegate. We look forward to seeing you there.

To book use the QR code on the poster and flyer or this link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FvkAtifpACGwz3CvLBQG0VR59brlyHxY08DvB6YViwM/edit>.

A Safeguarding Day will be held at Holy Cross on Saturday 9th March from 10am to approx. 3.30pm.

This is open to both Holy Cross and Tavistock parishioners. Although the Day is intended for those who are working with children, youth and/or the vulnerable it is open to anyone interested. It will be led by Rob Kingdon from the Diocesan Safeguarding Office.

Coffee will be served from 9.30am and it is suggested that we have a shared lunch or bring your own. Although the morning will mainly deal with issues concerning children and the afternoon with adult ones, there will be some crossover.

Nearer the event a clipboard will be provided to enable those interested in attending to sign down.

Tavistock Food Bank—For your information the following goods are required at our food bank: Milk, Tinned meat, Fruit juice, Smash, Tinned fish, Tinned fruit, Coffee, Tinned potatoes, Tinned carrots. **Thank you**

Caritas January Newsletter - Here is the link to the January edition of the Caritas Diocese of Plymouth newsletter, with news of love in action and upcoming events around our diocese <http://tinyurl.com/63dd48fi>

New Bishop-Elect of Plymouth:

With great joy and gratitude, we look ahead to the upcoming Episcopal Ordination and Installation of our new Bishop, Christopher Whitehead. As much as we would wish for all who desire to take part in the Mass to be present in the Cathedral on Thursday 22nd February at 12noon we deeply regret that its seating capacity is extremely limited to 500.

In an effort to allocate seats fairly, each parish in the diocese will be given two tickets so that all our parishes will be represented.

The fairest way to allocate our two tickets, especially if there are more than two people wishing to attend, is to hold a draw. Please can you submit your names to the Parish Office by no later than **Sunday 28th January 2024**. **Thank you.**

The Service of Solemn Vespers at the Cathedral on 21st February, the evening before the Ordination and Installation Mass, will be open to all wishing to come and pray with and for the Bishop-elect as he prepares for the following day's profoundly significant ceremonies for him and for our diocese. Importantly, both the Solemn Vespers and the Ordination Mass and Installation will be live-streamed, [Plymouth Diocese - YouTube](#), giving us an opportunity to watch the live-streamed events and to participate from afar, sharing in this historic occasion together.

Diocesan Vacancy: Assistant to Diocesan Care Officer— see the poster on noticeboard for more details. Closing date Monday 29th January 2024.

Parish Notices: -

Christmas gifts? If you have any duplicate, surplus gifts from Christmas please donate them to Holy Cross as we use them for raffle prizes during the year. You can leave them at the back of the church. **Thank you.**

Collections: January 13th & 14th 2024
Details next week

Thank you.

Bonus Ball News: The winner on 13th January was Fran Blackmore with ball number 7. She won £25. There were 32 subscribers that night so £7 went to church funds.

The **Parish Safeguarding Representative** is Sue Walsh.



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Pope's Intentions for January — For the gift of diversity in the Church

Let us pray that the Spirit help us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian Community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.