



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Week Commencing Sunday 22nd August 2021 (Year B)
(Readings: Josh 24:1-2.15-18 Ps 33 Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69)

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| Saturday 21st Aug | <i>Vigil Mass of the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | |
| | Yelverton 6.00pm | Rebecca Burbage RIP |
| Sunday 22nd | <i>Mass of the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | |
| | Tavistock 9am | Joan Dauncey RIP |
| | Yelverton 10.45am | People of the Parish |
| Tuesday 24th | <i>St Bartholomew</i> | Monsignor Canon Michael Hanley RIP |
| Wednesday 25th | <i>Feria</i> | Reginald Arthur & Clare Rye. |
| Thursday 26th | <i>Feria</i> | Richard Creed RIP |
| Friday 27th | <i>St Monica</i> | Private Intention |
| Saturday 28th | <i>Vigil Mass of the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | |
| | Yelverton 6.00pm | Sheila K Liggins RIP |
| Sunday 29th | <i>The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | |
| | Tavistock 9am | People of the Parish |
| | Yelverton 10.45am | For the People of Afghanistan |

A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

We are asking everyone to continue the practice of wearing a mask whilst in Church and maintaining social distancing to prevent us from having to close should anyone at Mass contract Covid. Please continue hand sanitising on entering and leaving. Last weekend we reintroduced the collection at the Offertory and Communion taking place at the normal time. Please remain in your seats until directed by a Steward.

Can you also remain in your seats after the final blessing until directed by the Stewards to leave. On exiting the Church we ask that parishioners do not congregate by the main entrance. Thank you again for your continued patience and support.

Parish Notices: -

Please pray for:

those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Alexander Craig-Mooney, Gordon Jones, Rose Bacon, Sheila Liggins & V.Rev Canon Desmond B Haslehurst.

the sick and/or housebound including, Margaret Phelps, Jill White, Nora Steel, Margaret Bradford, Margaret Davies, Barbara Everet, Pauline Hamilton-Leggett & Peter Hall.

There are prayer cards from Fr Martin available at the back of the church this weekend and next – please do take one.

Step Forward, Reach Out and Help – Putting All Children First: the annual appeal of the Catholic Children's Society is next weekend. Please take a leaflet today or visit their website to understand the wonderful work, which the Society does to help struggling children and their families. Thank you.

Message from Fr Martin

“As you will know next weekend is my last here before moving to take up the pastoral care of the parish of Newquay. This, as you might expect, is an unsettling time. (And neither Fr Cyriacus nor I are immune to those feelings.)

I thank you, since the announcement, for your generosity of spirit as well as your words of encouragement. (*I would personally like to thank those of you who have sent messages and/or spoken such kind words of support and, especially, for last weekend's lovely send off. It is heartening!*)

Next weekend (28th/29st September) will be my last weekend with you. It is hoped, while we need to continue to respect social distancing etc., that there will be an opportunity to celebrate our journey together as well as to say our goodbyes.

Thank you again for your prayerful support and, as with when I first arrived, I'm sure that you will make Fr Cyriacus very welcome.

Fr Martin”

Mothers Prayers are meeting again in church at 9.15 am on Wednesday mornings. If you would like to join us in prayer for children and families you would be most welcome.

Date for your Diary Reminder: Friday 24th September 2021, 7.30pm in the Hall – **Great Big Diocesan Quiz**. More information from Ann Ruth, Parish Secretary.

Recent Collections

Standing Orders £207.00

August's loose plate will be added at the end of the month.

Thank you

Bonus Ball: on Saturday 14th August ball number 58 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £35 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 35 subscribers that night.

Parish Secretary Office hours: Wed & Fri 9am – 2pm.

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

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

Other Notices:-

CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. We are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. We are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people facing extreme hunger in Tigray in Ethiopia, South Sudan and north-east Nigeria. You can read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website:

<https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news>.

Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable us to continue to support communities in these difficult times. Thank you.]

Looking for great ideas for holiday activities for all the family? Take a look at the latest

CELEBRATE@Home resource for summer:

www.celebrateatrust.org/celebrateathome

Diocese of Plymouth Environment Policy – Online Workshop 14th September 5-6pm.

'Praise to you, my Lord, through sister Mother Earth, who sustains us and governs us and who produces varied fruits with coloured flowers and herbs.'

St Francis of Assisi (from Canticle of the Sun)

Everyone is warmly invited to join an online event on 14 September organised by Caritas Plymouth to enable people to learn more about our Diocesan Environment Policy and plans for next steps. We also want to hear views from parishes and individuals. The Season of Creation runs from 1st September to the Feast of St Francis on 4th October. During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with our God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

You can register for the event here <https://forms.office.com/r/VH2ZXaBQ0k> and will receive an email with Zoom details nearer the time.

Young Catholic Adult Group:

Ian Jackson is volunteering with Youth Events to set up a new group for young adult Catholics. Check out the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/738397836590050>. As the group starts to form, we hope to organise informal gatherings.

Youth Ministry:

26th September Youth Rally 2021 – St Rita's Honiton 1.00 – 6.30pm. Parishes are asked to make an £8pp contribution. We are pleased to announce that the infamous youth Rally will run as usual in Honiton. Parishes are encouraged to bring teams of 6 young people aged 8 – 16. A BBQ will be offered throughout the afternoon along with other snacks and drinks. Challenges include Tug or War, it's a knockout, Gladiators. After Mass young people will be awarded certificates and medals for their achievements. To book please contact pmorris@wjmorris.co.uk or youth@prcdtr.org.uk

16th October Youth Workers Conference

Venue: St Rita's, Honiton 10.00 – 2.30 People are welcome to make a voluntary contribution on the day. I am inviting everyone across the diocese who either works with young people or would like to work with young people (this includes catechists) to join me at Honiton. Rise Theatre will be joining us to celebrate all the youth work and events (and what used to happen before COVID) across the diocese. I hope it is an opportunity for us to reflect on what is happening in our parishes and across the diocese, offering each other support and a chance to share our talents. Lunch will be provided. For further information or to simply join the forum, please email Saskia Hogbin: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Catholic Children's Society Plymouth is in the customer vote for a Tesco Community Grant of up to £1,500. If you shop in one of the 7 Tesco stores in Plymouth during the period 12th July 2021 until 30th September 2021, please use your token to vote for them to win a grant.

The Pope's Intention for Evangelization for August: The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.