



## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 (YEAR B) - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

(Readings: Gn 22:1-2.9-13.15-18 Ps 115 Rom 8:31-34 Mk 9:2-10)

<b>Saturday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Vigil Mass of the Second Sunday of Lent</b>
Yelverton 6pm	Mass <i>For all the Retired in our Parish</i>
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b>
Tavistock 9am	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Yelverton 10.45am	Mass <i>Patrick &amp; Roseline Uzochukwu RIP</i>
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	Yelverton 6pm Mass <i>Anne Mary de Pentheny O'Kelly RIP</i>
	Tavistock 6pm Rosary Group
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	Tavistock 9.25am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	10am Mass <i>Pauline &amp; Peter Muoghalu RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Yelverton 9.25am <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
	10am Mass <i>Stephen Muoghalu RIP</i>
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Yelverton 12 noon Requiem Mass — <i>Anne Mary de Pentheny O'Kelly RIP</i>
	2pm Ecumenical Service - World Day of Prayer
	Tavistock 3pm <i>Divine Mercy Prayer &amp; Stations of the Cross</i>
<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b><i>There is no Mass at Tavistock this morning.</i></b>
	<b>Vigil Mass of the Third Sunday of Lent</b>
Yelverton 6pm	Mass <i>Deceased members of McDermott &amp; Kenney Families</i>
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b>
Tavistock 9am	Mass <i>For the Sick and Lonely in our Parish</i>
Yelverton 10.45am	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> – After Mass or by appointment.	

### A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

#### Please pray for:

#### All those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Jessica Tree, Eileen King, Arthur Attwood, Maria Hodgins, Dorothy Dooley

**Damian** will be leaving this week. We thank him for his time with us and we will miss him. Please keep him in your prayers.

the repose of the soul of **Anne O'Kelly**, who died recently. We send our love and prayers to her children, Louise, Edmund, Carmel and Mary-Clare and their families. (see opposite page)

**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, Robert Edwards, 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 Sunday. If you could take a turn, please sign the rota in the hall.

Our traditional **Easter Egg Raffle** will take place on Easter Sunday. It will start next week with squares on a board, £1 each. Any donations of Easter Eggs for prizes would be appreciated. Thank you.

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

Next meeting **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** in the church hall at Holy Cross from **2-4pm**. Refreshments available.

**Please note** that the Hall and Kitchen are not accessible on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February as we are having work undertaken in the Kitchen all day. Thank you

**Next RCIA group** Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March at Our Lady of the Assumption Meeting Room at 5.30pm.

**World Day of Prayer Friday 1st March at 2pm Holy Cross**  
Prepared this year by an ecumenical group of Christian women from Palestine This year Holy Cross will be hosting the event and preparations are already under way. We are hoping you can support us as many of our local churches and community are involved. Refreshments afterwards.

**A Safeguarding Day will be held at Holy Cross on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March from 10am to approx. 3.30pm.** See the opposite page about signing down please.

## TACT Churches - Lent Lunches 2024

We are providing a soup and bread lunch with tea and coffee and a short reflection at the end. Please come and share fellowship and prayer together during the weeks of Lent. The reflections will be led by different church ministers. Each lunch will run from **12.30-1.30pm** at:

**Wednesday 28th February: Our Lady of the Assumption**

**Thursday 7th March: St Eustachius, Parish Rooms**

**Thursday 14th March: URC Church/Salvation Army**

**Thursday 21st March: King's Church, Pixon Lane**

There will be an opportunity on each occasion to make a donation which will be split between the work of **Catalyst**, our youth project and to **CARE International** for the **Gaza Humanitarian Crisis Appeal**.

Fr Mark Skelton is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting for **Lent Talks 2024**. This year the five speakers who have very kindly accepted the invitation are all from within the Diocese: Talks start at 7pm

Rev Andrew Marlborough - March 1<sup>st</sup>

*The Transfiguration*

Mrs Deborah Fisher - March 8<sup>th</sup>

*The Woman at the Well*

Rev Ignatius Raj. - March 15<sup>th</sup>

*The Man born blind*

Mr Gerard Gillespie—March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

*The raising of Lazarus*

**To Join the Zoom Meeting from 6.30pm on the day:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83445840521?pwd=K3IKRFV GbnY0eEMzc3pVMVhOcnFCdz09>

Meeting ID: 834 4584 0521 Passcode: 862737

**SPUC:** Diana Johnson MP, has tabled an amendment to the Government's Criminal Justice Bill (New Clause1), which is coming up for Report stage in Parliament in early March. This amendment seeks to change criminal law so that 'no offence is committed by a woman acting in relation to her own pregnancy' **at any gestation**. This means that a woman who induced her abortion at home using pills (or any other method) at any stage, including just before natural birth, **would commit no offence**.

**Please contact your MP urgently**, asking him/her to oppose this extreme and barbaric proposal. You can do this by using SPUC's easy to use webtool at: <https://www.spuc.org.uk/abortionamendments>.

**Please pray for the defeat of this amendment, for protection of unborn babies and help and comfort for mothers in need.**

**CAFOD's**— Lent Collection at Masses this week. This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal will help hardworking people like James the fisherman in Liberia with resources, tools and training to feed their families for good. Give today using the envelope or online and please join us in praying with James that our sisters and brothers around the world have what they need to feed their families. [Watch James' inspiring video story](#). Use the envelope in church or give online at [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)

## Parish Notices: -

**Anne O'Kelly RIP:** We first met Anne when she brought her husband Tom to Mass in a wheelchair. She looked after Tom devotedly for many years, with very little help. Anne was very community minded. She had been very active in the SPUC, when the family lived in Ashburton. She held the phone for Yelvercare for several years and had many friends locally. Anne joined the Martha Group after Tom's death and added great depth to our discussions. She told us that the Martha Group had been a very nourishing and happy part of her life in Yelverton. Her family said, "The spiritual gift of friendship and community has truly sustained Mum right up to her last week, giving her joy and companionship." Anne will be greatly missed by us all.

*Anon*

**A Safeguarding Day is being held at Holy Cross on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March from 10am to approx. 3.30pm.**

The day is intended for those who are working with children, youth and/or the vulnerable but it is open to anyone interested. It will be led by Rob Kingdon from the Diocesan Safeguarding Office.

Coffee from 9.30am with a shared lunch or bring your own.

The morning will mainly deal with issues concerning children and the afternoon with adult ones but there will be some crossover. **Please sign the clipboard at the back of the church if you are intending to attend.**

**Aid to the Church in Need (ACN)** is looking for an ACN Parish Volunteer. Through prayer, awareness and action we support suffering and persecuted Christians. If you think you would like to support ACN within your parish please contact Stephen Riedlinger Community Outreach ACN. Tel: 07939362479 Email: [steve.riedlinger@acnuk.org](mailto:steve.riedlinger@acnuk.org). There is more information about the Volunteer Role Description on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.

CAFOD is challenging all parishes to organise **THE BIG LENT WALK** - raising money through sponsorship, to help fishing communities in Liberia. Please think about walking with us and getting friends and family to sponsor you. More information at the back of church in the coming weeks.

### Collections 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> Feb:

Loose £174 Standing Order £470

Mass attendance Sat: 32 Sun: 54

**Thank you.**

**Bonus Ball News:** The winner on 17<sup>th</sup> February was Tom Ruth with ball number 43. He won £25. There were 37 subscribers that night so £12 went to church funds.

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

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



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## Pope's Intentions for February — For the Terminally Ill

Let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.