



## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**WEEK COMMENCING 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday (Year A)**

**Masses today:**

**9am** Parish & People & **10.30am** Con & Lily Kelly RIP  
(Eucharistic Prayer: Reconciliation I)

**Masses during the week:-**

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	10am 9.40am Rosary. Refreshments after Mass
Wednesday	10am
Thursday	10am 9.40am Rosary for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life
Friday	<b>7pm</b>
Saturday	10am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Thursdays during Lent **7pm - 8.30pm** with Eucharistic and after all Masses or by appointment

**Anniversaries – RIP:** Patience E. Davies, Julia L. Kelly, Beatrice A. Brown, Julian Lamb, Audrey Harrison

### Welcome to any visitors to the Parish

**Today:**

**Please pray for the sick and/or housebound** including, Irene Cussen, Margaret Phelps, Jill White, Nora Steel, Mary Silcox, Maureen Wildash, Willoughby Dampier & Helen Revins.

**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).

**CAFOD's East Africa crisis appeal**

The United Nations is warning that the world faces the largest humanitarian crisis in more than 70 years. Severe drought, lack of food, and civil war, mean that now over 16 million people across East Africa are facing starvation.

**Please support our Parish collection for this appeal TODAY Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> March.** Your donation will get food, clean water and healthcare to people in desperate need. Find out more at [cafod.org.uk/eastafrica](http://cafod.org.uk/eastafrica) Many thanks, Fran

**To Visitors/Holiday Makers:** If you would like to 'Gift Aid' your giving there are some blue 'Gift Aid' envelopes on the table at the back of the church. Please ensure that you complete all the details in pen and sign the form.

**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.

**Lent at Holy Cross**

**Sundays** - 3pm Stations of the Cross

**Thursdays: 7pm-8.30pm** Sacrament of Reconciliation with Eucharistic Adoration

**Fridays –7pm** Mass

**Dates:**

**A Day for the Lord**

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March at Holy Cross**

*A special day of prayer is to be held next Friday to help us prepare for the great solemnities of Holy Week and Easter.*

**10am – Lenten Rosary** with readings and reflections  
(Led by Fr Louis)

**3pm – Stations of the Cross** (new text) followed by Adoration & Benediction

**7pm – Mass**

***Do try to come to at least one of these.***

**CAFOD LENT APPEAL**

There will be another CAFOD Lent Lunch on **Friday 7th April** more details to follow. All proceeds from this event will go to the **EAST AFRICA CRISIS APPEAL**

**Aircrew Memorial Service, Plaster Down** – For those interested, I will be co-officiating at a special service that is to take place at Plaster Down to dedicate a new memorial to the crew of the RAF Liberator that crashed at Plaster Down in 1942, seven of whom were killed and one who survived. This will be held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 11am.  
*Fr Louis*

**RUN TO THE SON:** Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> -Sun 25<sup>th</sup> June, Buckfast Abbey. A weekend of prayer and inspiration to help equip you for mission. Main features include:- a day of growth in discipleship led by the Franciscans of the Renewal, a night vigil of prayer welcoming the dawn in the splendour of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and a sunrise Mass with Bishop Mark. Tickets £50 inclusive of food and camping facilities. (Other accommodation available at additional cost). Booking forms and more detail available online at [www.buckfast.org.uk/run-to-the-son](http://www.buckfast.org.uk/run-to-the-son) or contact St. Peter's Parish, Plymouth 01752 701660 if you have any queries.

**Plymouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 27<sup>th</sup> May- 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017 & Plymouth Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage on same dates (led by Bishop Mark). Please see notice Board for details.

### **Notices:**

#### **GIFT AID ENVELOPES**

The new Gift Aid Envelopes from April 2017 are in the pigeon holes in the Porch.

If you pay Income Tax and have not already Gift Aided your Sunday giving but would like to please contact Lucy Hayes on 01822 853679

25p in the £1 can be claimed back from HMRC that means £4 in the collection will give the Parish £5.

**CAFOD Lent Fast Day was Friday, 10 March.** Have you brought your envelope back? You can return it at any time during Lent. Just add your envelope to the collection.  
**Fran**

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

**Easter cards** are available at the back of the church.

**Easter Egg Raffle:** Starting next Sunday. Proceeds for CAFOD. £1 a square to be drawn at coffee on Easter Sunday. *Donated eggs would be very welcome.*

**The Pope's Intentions for March are for support for persecuted Christians:**

**'That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the world.'**

Urgent Intention - **For the Pope:** "I ask, please, for your prayers for me and my collaborators," Pope Francis. [The Holy Father and members of the Curia have been on their Lenten retreat]

**CAFOD!** Thank you to ALL who supported the CAFOD coffee morning held at Briar Tor. It was a busy morning with friends from Tavistock and Plympton joining the many local people. The quilt, won by Rene Thurstan, raised £70 and the delicious cakes, plants, books and bottles disappeared very quickly raising an amazing £362!!!!

#### **CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY (PLYMOUTH)**

There will be just the **one** Great Big Diocesan Quiz in 2017; it will be on the **Friday 28 April**.

**Ann Ruth has agreed to lead this fun evening at Holy Cross for this good cause. If you would like to take part please contact Ann: 01822 852113, mobile: 0779 258 5632 or email her: [annruth60@gmail.com](mailto:annruth60@gmail.com)**

**Calling all runners!** Places are available to run the London Royal Parks Half Marathon on Sun 8 Oct 2017 on behalf of the Catholic Children's Society. See [www.ccsplymouth.org.uk](http://www.ccsplymouth.org.uk) or email [claire.warren@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:claire.warren@prcdtr.org.uk) for details

**Spring is here!** Clear out your drawers and cupboards and donate any old stamps, jewellery, coins and watches to the Catholic Children's Society. Place in the orange box at the back of church or send to **Stamps n All, Dept CCS-PLYM, PO Box 245, Plymouth, PL5 2WX** or call 01364 645420 to arrange collection.

**Helping Hands** the 50: 50 club of the Catholic Children's Society. £1 a month, three cash prizes every month. You have to be in it to win it! For details call 01364 645420 or see our website [www.ccsplymouth.org.uk](http://www.ccsplymouth.org.uk)

**The Bonus Ball winner** on 18<sup>th</sup> March was Sheila Shipton with ball number 43. She won £25. There were 40 subscribers that night so £15 went to Parish funds.

#### **The Collection last Sunday:**

Loose plate £189.24

Gift aided £273.30

**Thank you**

**Available:-**

**Catholic Herald £2.50**

**Catholic South West 50p**

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

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sue Walsh & Mike Green

