

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

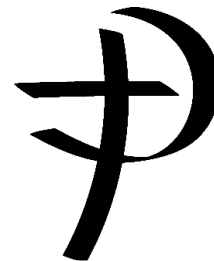
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Week Commencing Sunday 27th April 2025 — Second Sunday of Easter (C) (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

(Readings: Ac 5:12-16 Ps 118 (117) Rev 1:9-13.17-19 Jn 20:19-31)

Sunday 27 th April	Second Sunday of Easter	Mass	9am	<i>Alex Whiriskey RIP</i>
Sunday 4 th May	Third Sunday of Easter	Mass	9am	<i>Health of Damian Cuffe</i>
Tuesday 6 th May	Weekday	Mass	10am	
Sunday 11 th May	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Mass	9am	<i>Maggie Davidson RIP</i>

Sacrament of Reconciliation: – After Mass or by appointment.

A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

POPE FRANCIS – STATEMENT BY CANON PAUL CUMMINS, DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATOR

“I was very sad to hear of the death of His Holiness, Pope Francis. He was above all a humble servant of the Lord and a faithful pastor who inspired and shepherded the Catholic Church for 12 years now. Pope Francis lived out Gospel values; he was a man of prayer, a friend to the marginalised and persecuted, he worked tirelessly for peace, the care of the environment was very important to him. His recent document on Synodality encouraged prayerful listening as a way of discerning God’s will. Pope Francis’ time as Pontiff has had a profound influence on the way we understand the Church and our mission to proclaim the Gospel.

In 2020 Pope Francis said, “Let us not forget: the dwelling place that awaits us is paradise. Here we are passing through. We are made for heaven, for eternal life, to live forever” (Regina Coeli May 2020). In the light of these beautiful words, even as we mourn his death, we pray that Pope Francis will rise to eternal life.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.”

God bless you, **Canon Paul Cummins**

Prayer for Francis

O God, faithful rewarder of souls, grant that your departed servant Pope Francis, whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your Church, may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

Please also pray for:

all whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Gweneth Smale, Gerard Waghorn, Nora Davis, Bernard Evans, May Payne

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

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.*

N.B. Holy Cross Church will be open from 9.30am until 1.30pm on Tuesday & Friday this week for personal prayer. You are welcome to come and pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis and for the election of a new Pope.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Are you going to be 13+ this Summer and wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? There will be an introduction to Confirmation for parents and candidates on **Sunday, 4th May at 5pm in the parish room at St Peter’s, Crownhill.**

Refreshments will be served in the Hall after Mass this morning.

Great Big Diocesan Quiz 2025 to be held on Friday 9th May, **7 for 7.30pm** Holy Cross Yelverton is taking part. Your Quiz Master is Ann Ruth. Tickets are now on sale for £5 each. Made up of Teams of 6. Not got 6? – join a team on the night! Please come along and take part in this ‘fun’ fundraising evening for the Catholic Children’s Society (Plymouth). Raffle Tickets £1 per square.

Evangelisation – the heart of the Church’s Mission: – in the light of the death of Pope Francis, we recall that his first major encyclical to the Church was on the necessity to proclaim the Gospel and the mission to evangelise. The aim of this day is to explore the nature of this mission and how we can put it into practice in our daily lives. This day will be of particular interest to all who are already endeavouring to share their faith or who would like to know how to get started. This event will be held at **Buckfast Abbey conference centre on Saturday 17th May 10am-3pm.**

(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.

**ST. RITA’S OF CASCIA FEAST DAY ON THURSDAY
22nd MAY 2025 AT ST RITA’S CENTRE**

Principal Celebrant: Father Douglas Beard OAR

The day will begin with Mass at 12 noon, followed by the blessing and distribution of roses for the sick. Two shops will be open that day for the sale of religious articles; you can also make your orders on our website www.stritascentre.org and collect your items on site on the feast day. Hot drinks will be available all day, but visitors should bring a packed lunch. The day will conclude with Benediction at 3 pm.

We would advise early arrival as car parking can be difficult if you arrive after 11.30 am. Car parking stewards will be on duty to help you, and there will be a small army of volunteers working in various places helping to ensure a smooth running of the day and a happy feast day for everyone. If you have any questions, please contact Krista Radzina on 01404 42635

Heatree 2025; May 23rd – 25th This residential is open to young people **aged 10 – 12**. It is a great chance for young people to meet others from parishes across the Diocese. During the weekend we will explore the scripture John 14:23, whilst we try things like high ropes and raft making, games around the campfire, along with other activities (activities will be confirmed nearer the time). Cost £90 per person. To book: For further information please contact, Saskia: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

**'Rise to Our Cause' on Ascension Thursday for the
Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)**

This year's 'Rise to Our Cause' event is being held at **St Cuthbert Mayne in Launceston on Thursday, 29th May.**

To read about Phil and the work he does promoting the Cornish pilgrimage, visit: www.pilgrimways.org.uk

Tickets cost £15 and can be ordered by -

- emailing vicki.dunstone@ccsplymouth.org.uk
- calling the CCSP office on **01364 645420**
- visiting the parish office at St Cuthbert Mayne

All proceeds from this event, will go towards helping vulnerable children and families living in our Diocese. There will also be a raffle on the day to help raise money for CCSP to enable us to continue helping families of all faiths and none living throughout Devon, Cornwall and parts of Dorset.

Tavistock Foodbank: For your information the following goods are urgently required at the food bank: **Fruit juice (not squash), Tinned meat, Coffee, Spaghetti, Tinned tomatoes** *A big thanks from everyone at the Foodbank*

YELVERTON HIDDEN GARDENS (Grange Road)

In aid of St Luke's Hospice Sunday 4th May 11am -4 pm

Refreshments are at 11 Grange Rd.

Mary Pike would be grateful for donations of cakes These can be delivered to 11 Grange Rd from Saturday 3rd May or ring 01822 855281 for collection.

Parish Notices:

Collections 20th April

Easter Offerings: £620

Standing Orders £230 Card Reader: £0

Mass Attendance: 123

Thank you

Bonus Ball News: on Saturday 19th April ball number 33 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £27 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 27 subscribers that night.

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)**



Parish Secretary— Ann Ruth

**Ann is now based back in the office at Yelverton.
Tuesdays & Fridays from 9am until 2pm.**

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Pope's Intentions April 2025: For the role of women: We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

<https://popesprayer.va>