



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Week Commencing Sunday 27th August 2023 (Year A)

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Readings: Is 22:19-23 Ps137 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20)

Saturday 26th

Vigil Mass of the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Yelverton 6pm Mass *People of the Parish*

Sunday 27th

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tavistock 9am Mass *Maria & Graham Neal—Golden Wedding*

Yelverton 10.45am Mass *Ken Belshaw RIP*

NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday 2nd Sept

Vigil Mass of the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Yelverton 6pm Mass *Bill & Bernie Kennelly RIP*

Sunday 3rd

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tavistock 9am Mass *People of the Parish*

Yelverton 10.45am Mass *For the forgotten dead and deceased members of the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom*

Sacrament of Reconciliation: – After Mass or by appointment.

A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

Please pray for

those whose anniversaries occur at this time: V. Rev. Canon Desmond Haslehurst, Farrell O'Driscoll, Lady Elenor Baker, Margaret Douglas, Claude Bedford, Jacqueline McNamara, Margaret Walsh, Michelle Jarman

and the sick and/or housebound: including, Margaret Bradford, 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, Simon Gray, Leslie Longhurst and Eileen Hoy.

There will be no **Children's Liturgy** during the Summer holidays, sessions will resume on September 10th.

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.

Today is the last chance to order your copy of the Plymouth Diocesan Year Book—2024 If you would like a copy of the Yearbook for next year, please put your name on the list at the back of the Church on the table. Thank you.

Have you replied?

Are you coming on the 17th Sept to the Mass and/or BBQ?

Last chance to tell us Friday Sept 1st

We need to know numbers. Help us please.

e-mail yelverton@prcdtr.org.uk or tell Ann Ruth, Parish Secretary before or after Mass today

Creating Hope for Families – Changing Lives – Putting All Children First: the annual appeal of the Catholic Children's Society is this weekend.

Donations can also be made by –

- Visiting our Annual Appeal **Crowdfunder** page – crowdfunder.co.uk/p/creating-hope-for-families-changing-lives
- **post** by sending a cheque made payable to 'Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)' to **St Boniface House, Ashburton, Devon TQ13 7JL**
- **BACS direct into our account** – Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth) sort code – **52-41-60** account number – **06024335**
- **text** – to donate **£5 text 5CCSP to 70085**, to donate **£10 text 10CCSP to 70085** or to donate **£20 text 20CCSP to 70085**

Changes to Weekday Mass times from 3rd September:

Weekday Masses will be:

Tuesdays at Yelverton—1st Tuesday of the month at 10am all other Tuesdays at 6pm.

Wednesdays at Tavistock 9.25am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and 10am Mass.

Thursdays at Yelverton 9.25am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and 10am Mass. **NB: there will be no 10am Mass on the 7th September as there is a Requiem Mass for Anthony John at 2pm.**

Youth Mass—the next Youth Mass will be at Holy Cross, Yelverton on Sunday 10th September at 10:45 am. The Practice will take place on Friday 8th September at 6pm in Holy Cross Church Hall.

Season of Creation 2023—“Let Justice and Peace Flow” is the theme of this year’s ecumenical Season of Creation, inspired by the words of the prophet Amos: “Let justice flow on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream” (5:24). The Season of Creation is an ecumenical celebration which runs from 1st September to 4th October. During the Season of Creation, we are invited to pray, act and focus on the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor – to listen to those whose voices are less heard; to pray for those individuals, communities, species, and ecosystems which are lost and those whose livelihoods are threatened by climate change. Pope Francis has shared a message for the start of the Season encouraging us all to take action to care for God’s creation.

<https://seasonofcreation.org/2023/05/25/message-of-pope-francis-for-creation-day-2023/>

You can find ideas and resources for celebrating Season of Creation on the diocesan website <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/the-diocese/how-we-work/environment/season-of-creation/>

March for Life, Westminster, Saturday 2nd September

A coach will be leaving St Peter’s Church, Crownhill, Plymouth PL5 3AX at 7am, with a pick-up from Exeter Services at 8am and arriving in London between 12.30am to 1pm. The march begins at 2pm. The coach departs Westminster at 5.30pm.

For all enquiries or to book seats contact Plymouth SPUC Branch Secretary: Christine Hudson Tel: 07742320717 or Email: chrishud78@talktalk.net Seats cost £25 each. Some free seats are available. (Donations towards the cost of coach hire (£1745) gratefully received). Ample car parking at St Peter’s Church. Come and join us and be a voice for all those aborted babies who have no voice!

Franciscan at Home workshops - Would you like to spend an hour a week online, sharing insights on the gift of Baptism, or exploring ‘what it means to be a disciple of our Eucharistic Lord’? These *Franciscan at Home* workshops centre on topics which are important to all of us and all are welcome. Join us in an online group, Mondays at 7.30 pm, Wednesdays at 7.00 pm, or both; beginning on September 11th to pray, listen and reflect.

More workshops are available in Truro on Thursdays (online) and Sclerder Abbey on Wednesdays (live meeting). For a link or further information contact deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk

Foodbank items needed: Tinned meat, Noodles, Microwaveable Rice, Chocolate, Toilet rolls, Shampoo.
Thank you

Know your Faith

Christian Prayer: What is prayer? Prayer is the raising of one’s mind and heart to God, or the petition of good things from Him in accord with His Will. It is always the gift of God who comes to encounter man. Christian prayer is the personal and living relationship of the children of God with their Father who is infinitely good, with His Son Jesus Christ, and with the Holy Spirit who dwells in their hearts.

Why is there a universal call to prayer? Because through creation God first calls every being from nothingness. Even after the Fall man continues to be capable of recognising his Creator and retains a desire for the One who has called him into existence. All religions, and the whole history of salvation in particular, bear witness to this human desire for God. It is God first of all, however, who ceaselessly draws every person to the mysterious encounter known as prayer.

Old Testament: How is Abraham a model of prayer? Abraham is a model of prayer because he walked in the presence of God, heard and obeyed Him. His prayer was a battle of faith because he continued to believe in the fidelity of God even in times of trial. Besides, after having received in his own tent the visit of the Lord who confided His plan to him, Abraham dared to intercede for sinners with bold confidence.

Parish Notices

A belated Thank You to Henry Guly for his Fundraising Talk on the Holy Land held on Friday 14th July. We raised £149.20 for our Centenary Fund. This brought our fundraising total to £1,200. Thank you to everyone who has contributed in any way. The money is being put to good use towards our Centenary Celebrations on September 17th.

Can you help towards the event or on the day? Pick up our **Final Countdown List** if you haven’t already done so and see how you could help make it a special occasion.

PARISH CENTENARY WALL HANGING—The next meeting of this group will be at 2pm on **Wednesday 30th August in the Hall.**

The Bonus Ball winner on 19th August was Pat Mawer with ball number 8. She won £25. There were 30 subscribers that night so £5 went to church funds.

Collection: 19th & 20th August 2023

Loose Plate £146.20 Standing Orders £175.00
Mass Attendance Sat 45; Sun 38

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).**



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Pope’s Intentions for August—For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

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