



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Week Commencing Sunday 28th December 2025

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

(Readings: Sir 3:2-6.12-14 Ps 128(127) Col 3:12-21 Mt 2:13-15.19-23)

Sunday 28 th December	<i>Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph</i>	Mass 9am	<i>Mary Lawler & Deceased members of the Lawler Family</i>
Tuesday 30 th December		Mass 10am	
Sunday 4 th January	<i>Second Sunday after the Nativity</i>	Mass 12.30pm	
Sacrament of Reconciliation – After Mass or by Appointment			

A very warm welcome to all our Visitors

Please pray for:

all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Beatrice Sharp, Maurice Hunt, Sylvester Pawlowski, Marie Stewart-Murray, Irene Cussen, Terry Balment, Isobel Moorat, Stanley Walsh, Simone Jefferies, Lionel Henry

The sick and/or housebound, including: Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Anne Stanton, Seth Marks, Margaret Drayton, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst, Eileen Hoy, Monica Finn, Alexandra Vanduivanbode, Mary Gibbs, Susan Bevan, Jane Devenish, Jose Belshaw, Emily John and Fr Jon Bielawski.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

Christmas Offering envelopes are available in the porch. Your Christmas Offering is your personal gift to Fr. Jon & Fr. Daniel for which they thank you. Would those who wish to gift aid their offering (which benefits the parish) please use the yellow gift aid envelopes instead of the Christmas offering ones.

There will be **no Children's Liturgy** during Mass today. Classes resume on January 11th.

Crib Offerings will go to the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth). Please try to be generous as this collection is one of their major sources of income.

You can also donate using the card reader – Catholic Children's Society.

Refreshments will be served in the hall after Mass. If you can take a turn to serve refreshments sometime, please can you fill in the rota in the hall.

Change of Sunday Mass time:

Please note that on Sunday 4th & 11th January Mass will be at 12.30pm

Christmastide Joint* Parish Lunch:

Yelverton Golf Club: Tues 13th January 2026
12.30 for 1pm

Forms with prices and menu choices are available at the back of the church and online.

***Holy Cross, St Peter & St Thomas More**

SPUC - Abortion up to Birth Bill and Assisted Suicide Bill.

Both of these Bills are currently being scrutinised and debated in the House of Lords. Thank you if you have already written to some Peers but, we need you to keep up the pressure and continue writing. This is because the Government has now allocated another 10 days for debate, ending on the 24 April, to deal with the 1071 Amendments tabled for the **Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill**.

The **Abortion up to Birth Bill** will be debated on **27th January**. Amendments have been tabled to remove the Bill and end the pills by post policy.

We now have more time to lobby members of the House of Lords. The following links will take you to the SPUC website where you can read information regarding each Bill and the webtool by which to contact Peers. A Peer will be generated for you to write to, and it will bring up an editable template letter:

<https://spuc.org.uk/campaign/abortion-decriminalisation/> and <https://spuc.org.uk/campaign/assistedsuicideuk/> For further information or hard copies of lists of Peers and briefings, contact Christine Hudson: 07742320717

Teens residential, 23rd - 25th January 2026, East Shallowford Farm, Dartmoor

The 2026 teens residential (those aged 13-17) are invited to explore lives of people holding a refugee and asylum seekers status in the UK. There is time to question refugees and asylum seekers to hear why they left their homes to seek asylum. Once listening to the stories there is a chance for young people to form their own opinion and decide what action they would like to do. This event cost £50pp. To book: For further information: youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Retrouvaille helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships. Next date: 12th February 2026. www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 07887 296983

Tavistock Foodbank: For your information the following goods are urgently required at the food bank: **Milk, Tinned tomatoes, Pasta, Small coffee, Noodles, Pot noodles or in fact any other items you can spare.**

Thank you.

UNBOUND PRAYER MINISTRY UNBOUND

Prayer Ministry available in this Diocese. If you feel in need of freedom and inner healing through prayer, and desire a deeper relationship with Jesus, we have ministers trained to help you. Please contact unboundprayer@prcdtr.org.uk or see the poster displayed for more information.

Dilexi Te – The Burning Heart of the Church's Mission

A day of reflection with Bishop Nicholas Hudson
21 February 2026, 11am-4pm, Buckfast Abbey Conference Centre

Join Caritas and CAFOD this Lent for a diocesan day to reflect on Pope Leo XIV's powerful Apostolic Exhortation Dilexi Te, which calls us to return to the Gospel and reminds us that love of the poorest of our sisters and brothers is part of the "burning heart of the Church's mission".

Hear from our inspirational Speakers: Rt Rev Nicholas Hudson, Bishop of Plymouth; Christine Allen, CAFOD Director; Raymond Friel OBE, CSAN Chief Executive Officer; Fr. Richard Finn OP, University of Oxford.

[Click here to register](#)
or email: caritas@prcdtr.org.uk

Parish Notices:

Details of Collections for 21st December & Christmas

will be given in the newsletter for 11th January
Thank you.

Bonus Ball News:

Details will be given in the newsletter for 11th January

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**)

The Pope's Intentions for December: For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

<https://popesprayer.va>

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