



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH
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WEEK COMMENCING 29th JANUARY 2017
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Masses today: 9am *Parish & People* & 10.30am *Eileen Fraser*
(Eucharistic Prayer:I)

Masses during the week:-

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	10am <i>St John Bosco</i> 9.40am Rosary. Refreshments after Mass
Wednesday	10am
Thursday	10am <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i> (World Day for Consecrated Life) <i>Sr Elizabeth SND</i>
Friday	10am 9.40am Rosary for Vocations to the Priesthood
Saturday	10am <i>Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>

Sacrament of Reconciliation: after all Masses or by appointment

Anniversaries – RIP: Anthony Whittard, Michael O'Brien, Cyril Walker, Philomena Cooney, Thomas L. Quinn, Milada Somerville

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, Ray & Oliver Cooper, Maureen Wildash & Willoughby Dampier.

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*).

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.

There are miscellaneous cards for sale on the table at the back of church. 50p each.

Unwanted or surplus Christmas Gifts? Many thanks for the donation of unwanted gifts. So far the sale has raised £55 for Mary's Meals.
PLEASE DO go and have a look at the table in the hall after Mass. (You can exit to the car park so it won't be out of your way)!

Keyboard player – Is there anyone who has been gifted with keyboard skills? Would you be willing to offer your talent to play occasionally at the 10.30 Mass? If so, please do approach Fr Louis about it and we will explore further.

The First Holy Communion preparation programme will be starting at the beginning of February. The parents of any child who is in school Year 3 or above and who wishes to start the preparation should contact either Father Louis or Mary Pike TODAY.

Dates:

Ecumenical Ladies' Lunch at The Burrator Inn, Tuesday 31st January at 12.30pm. £5.50. Contact Sue Walsh if you would like to attend.

Next Evangelisation Group meeting will be held on **Wednesday 1st February 2017 at 7.15pm**

The Anne Frank Trust has a project of planting trees to commemorate Anne Frank and all children killed in conflicts. SW Lakes Trust has agreed that a tree can be planted at **the Arboretum at Burrator Reservoir at 11am on Sat 4th Feb** by two of the youngsters who visited Auschwitz-Birkenau from Holy Cross. Father Louis is attending and has agreed to bless the tree.

Calling all Catholic 6th Form Students

Are you confident in speaking in public? The Catenians are hosting the regional heat for the 3rd Public Speaking Competition at 2pm on Saturday 4th February at Holy Cross School in Beaumont Road. There will be certificates for all entries, a trophy for the winner and his/her school and the winner will get the chance to go to the national finals in Bristol in May. The 2 Catholic 6th Form centres are already putting forward candidates to this event.

Parents - Come and listen to our outstanding 6th form students. For more information see the poster or contact Peter Holman, 01626 438446 phadenraf@gmail.com

Extraordinary Form Mass ('Tridentine' Mass)

Please note that Bishop Mark has arranged the provision of a Sunday Mass in the Extraordinary Form which will be celebrated **weekly** from Sunday, 29th January at St Edward's Church, Home Park Avenue, Peverell, Plymouth PL3 4PG at 11.30am. The Mass will normally be celebrated by *Fr Anthony Pillari*, the chaplain at Lanherne Convent, who has also kindly agreed to offer pastoral accompaniment to families attending this Mass.

GATHER 2017 Gracious Gift We are delighted that catechists, teachers, clergy and friends from across the Diocese of Plymouth will be meeting together again next year 3rd-5th March 2017 at the Best Western Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay TQ2 6RQ. The weekend will include; keynote speakers, plenary talks throughout, shared liturgies, quiet space for prayer, a choice of inspiring workshops on Saturday afternoon as well as Saturday evening entertainment. On Sunday we will welcome Bishop Mark O'Toole who will celebrate Mass with us. Further details can be seen on the noticeboard + costs.

Notices:

Weekday Masses: For many weeks, a sheet has been prepared for each weekday Mass with Entrance & Communion Antiphons (and latterly – to be helpful - the response to the Psalm). Please do take a copy (by the newsletter tray) and join the reader who takes the lead in saying the Antiphons (as happens, or should happen, at the 9am Mass on Sundays). They form part of the Mass!

Around & About annual subscriptions of £6 are now due. This local inter-church magazine is available for those who wish to take it. See Sue Walsh.

Next Sunday there will be a collection for the **Diocesan Lourdes Fund** which supports some of the sick and youth of our Diocese to go on pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Bishop Mark has recently emphasised the importance of extraordinary ministers receiving proper formation in this special ministry. To this end, it would be timely to hold 're-fresher' presentations on this ministry and to review current practice.

The presentations are provided in two distinct parts and will be held on **7th & 14th March at 7.30pm** at Holy Cross. They will be led by the Dean of Plymouth, Fr Tim Lewis. All Extraordinary Ministers are expected to attend and those who have recently been invited to be Extraordinary Ministers. There will be hand-outs. Confirmation of attendance would be helpful.

The Art of Dying Well is a new website that offers a helping hand to those grappling with issues around death and dying. Based in the Catholic tradition but open to all, it features real-life stories about dealing with the journey through death to eternal life. The website was launched at the beginning of this month, the traditional month for remembering and praying for the dead: www.artofdyingwell.org

Mass Intentions: *If you wish to request a Mass Intention you will find on the table, at the back of the Church, Mass intention slips and envelopes. When you have given brief details, please place the slip, and your offering, in the envelope and hand it to me, leave it in the sacristy or put it through the Presbytery letter box. Mass intention cards are also available in the Sacristy if needed. Fr Louis*

N.B. Mass Intention Offerings: *Some parishioners may not be aware that all offerings that are given for Mass intentions (Mass Stipends) at Holy Cross go into the parish funds 'pot' and not directly into the 'pocket'(!) of the parish priest, nor do they go to the Diocese. These offerings form part of the priest's annual allowance. The same also applies to stole fees (eg weddings) and Christmas and Easter offerings.*

The Bonus Ball winner - on 21st January ball number 51 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £40 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 40 subscribers that night.

Cheques to the parish - If you are writing cheques to the parish, it would be helpful if you could please specify the payee as: **Holy Cross RC Church**. Thank you.

The Collection last Sunday:

Loose plate £147.10

Gift aided £270.00.

Thank you

The Pope's Intentions for January are for Christian Unity:

'That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.'

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

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sue Walsh & Mike Green

