



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

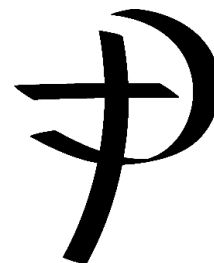
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Week Commencing Sunday 30th April 2023 (Year A) Fourth Sunday of Easter—*World Day of Prayer for Vocations*

(Readings: Ac 6:1-7 Ps 32 1P 2:4-9 Jn 14:1-12)

Saturday 29th	Vigil Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Easter
Yelverton 6pm	Mass <i>Private Intention</i>
Sunday 30th	Fourth Sunday of Easter
Tavistock 9am	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Yelverton 10.45am	Mass <i>Mary Lawlor & Deceased members of the Lawlor Family</i>
Monday -Thurs	No Masses
Friday 5th May	Yelverton 12.30pm <i>Requiem Mass for Nora Therese Steel RIP</i>
Saturday 6th	Vigil Mass of the Fifth Sunday of Easter
Yelverton 6pm	Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 7th	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Tavistock 9am	Mass <i>Jenny Spratt RIP</i>
Yelverton 10.45am	Mass <i>Nora Steel RIP</i>

Sacrament of Reconciliation: – by appointment.

A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

We welcome Monsignor Bart Nannery on Saturday and Fr Martin Budge on Sunday. They are celebrating our weekend Masses whilst Fr Cyriacus is away.

Please pray for:

for the Repose of the Soul of **Deacon John Sanders**, from St. Austell Parish, who died last Sunday. Please hold him and his family in your prayers today. He was a dedicated servant of the Lord. May he rest in peace.

those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Gerard Waghorn, Nora Davis, Bernard Evans, May Payne, Thomas Sheedy.

the sick and/or housebound: including, Margaret Phelps, Jill White, 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, Shirley Turner & Leslie Longhurst.

There will be ***Children's Liturgy*** during the 10.45am Mass. *Please remember children under 4 must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for them.*

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.

There is a large selection of reasonably priced cards at the back of the church for numerous occasions.

Sunday is the ***World Day of Prayer for Vocations***, also known as Good Shepherd Sunday. It is an opportunity to pray for vocations and to encourage those who may be considering ordained or religious life. The Diocese of Plymouth also asks for your assistance in supporting our seminarians through their training and formation, both through prayer and financial support. If you are able to contribute to our **Seminarians' Fund**, either as a single donation or through regular giving, please pick up a leaflet or go to <https://priesthoodplymouth.co.uk/resources>

This weekend there will be a retiring collection for Bishop Christopher's Jubilee Fund for Seminarians – Vocations Sunday Appeal.

The Martha Group will hold their monthly meeting on **Tuesday 2nd May**. As there will be no Mass, coffee will be served from 10.15am. The meeting will start at 10.30am. New members welcome! For more info, contact Ann Dawes (Chair) on 01822 854631 or Mary Pike (Secretary) on 01822 855281.

Compassionate Café in Tavistock

St. Luke's Hospice are looking to encourage the setting up of a Compassionate Cafe in Tavistock. It is a place where those facing end-of-life issues and their families can meet up. If you are interested there is a Community Day at Tavistock Methodist Church on **Tuesday 9th May 10am to 3.30pm**. Please see the poster at the back of the Church for more details and booking information.

Holy Cross is part of Plymouth Diocesan Trust (Registered Charity No 213227)

The arrangements for Bishop Christopher's Requiem Mass are as follows:

In accordance with Bishop Christopher's instructions, his body will be received into the Church of the Sacred Heart, Exeter at 5.00pm on Thursday 4th May. His Requiem Mass will take place at the Sacred Heart on the following day, Friday 5th May, at midday. Archbishop John Wilson will preside. There will be a reception after the Mass at the Hotel Mercure Southgate from 2.00pm. Bishop Christopher's body will be interred at the cemetery at Buckfast Abbey later that afternoon. The Church of the Sacred Heart has live-streaming of their services – go to their website and click the link. [Sacred Heart livestream address: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqZLYdKWQ6CqG2utRNBeKmA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqZLYdKWQ6CqG2utRNBeKmA)

Marriage Sponsors Are you a married couple, committed to the Catholic vision of marriage and family? To learn more about being a Sponsor Couple to engaged couples preparing for this vital vocation, two free Webinars are available through *SmartLoving*. Wednesday, 3rd May - 11.00am & Tuesday, 6th June - 11.00am Please contact me for more information or to Register for one of these days. Contact me too if you would like to find out more about **SmartLoving Marriage** resources, including Catholic Marriage Preparation; Marriage Enrichment and *Breakthrough* resources for marriages in stress. Other resources to support marriage and family life are now also available from **Sycamore** Marriage Enrichment: "Growing in Faith Together" for Engaged and Married Couples (4 weeks). <https://www.sycamore.fm/pathways/b-formation-pathways/growing-in-faith-together/> *Franciscan online* also offer workshops on marriage and family life and parish marriage ministry. Contact me for access to their workshops, webinars and the Catechetical Review. An example is given here in a free online article for non-subscribers - <https://review.catechetics.com/way-and-witness-holy-marriage> I also recommend Loving4Life marriage retreats, for more information on these see <https://www.loving4life.co.uk> or contact jane.deegan@dioceseofshrewsbury.org

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY (PLYMOUTH)

Ascension Day fundraiser at Buckfast Abbey - Thursday, 18th May 2023. The event starts at midday with Holy Mass in the Abbey, followed by a 2-course lunch, raffle and then finishing off with a guest speaker. Thanks to the generosity of some generous local attractions, we have also managed to secure some wonderful raffle prizes including a Dartmouth Steam Railway family voucher worth £65, a £20 House of Marbles gift voucher and a lunchtime buffet for 2 at Dainton Golf Club. Tickets are selling well and if you would like to join us, please call **01364 645420** to reserve your tickets priced at £30 each, with all proceeds going towards helping vulnerable children and families living in our Diocese.

Saturday June 17th, Midday, A Mass for Marriage. We will have a Mass to celebrate marriage again this year at Plymouth Cathedral. Please pray for this event and save the day. Send us your anniversary dates to add to the Order of Service - whether you have been married for one week or sixty + years. Let us know too when your wedding is planned to take place if you are engaged. Light refreshments will be provided and (not so light) wedding cake. For more information, please contact me on deborah.vanKroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk

Parish Notices:

Thank you Michael Boon! It is with mixed emotions that I am informing you that Michael Boon has just retired as the Treasurer of the Holy Cross Parish Finance Committee after 7 and a half years in the post. Although we are losing the talents and expertise of Michael as an outstanding treasurer it is good to know that Michael can now enjoy his well-deserved newfound freedom and have the burden of responsibility lifted from his shoulders. He has done a wonderful job and he will be a major loss for Holy Cross. In particular since those dark Covid days of March 2020 Michael has single-handedly carried on keeping the books and records, prepared the annual accounts, and kept the finances in good order generally, despite the Covid restrictions imposed and the difficulties involved. As a parish we owe Michael a huge thank you and he will be sorely missed in this role. When Father Cyriacus returns there will be a formal thank you and a presentation to Michael from us all. **Simon Murray** (Chair of the HC Finance Cttee)

PARISH CENTENARY WALL HANGING-The next meeting of this group will be at 2pm on **Wednesday 3rd May in the Hall.**

Tavistock Foodbank. For your information the following goods are required at our food bank: **tinned soup, tinned tomatoes, fish, tinned potatoes, biscuits, microwave rice, noodles, sponge pudding, jam, tinned corn, coffee, tinned beans, rice pudding, shampoo, tinned dog meat.** **Thank you**

Last week's Collections:

Loose plate £204.00

Standing orders £225.00

Thank you

Bonus Ball: On Saturday 22nd April ball number 46 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £35 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 35 subscribers that night.

N.B. **Polly Hoskin's family** has donated her £25 Bonus Ball winnings last week to the Martha Group in her memory.

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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The Pope's Intention for May: For Church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.