



## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### Week Commencing Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (Year A)

<b>Saturday</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Weekday of Christmas</b> Tavistock 10.00am Private Intention
	<b>Vigil Mass of the Epiphany of the Lord</b> Yelverton 6.00pm Canon George Carrick (Intention)
<b>Sunday</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Epiphany of the Lord</b> Tavistock 9.00am People of the Parishes of Tavistock & Yelverton Yelverton 10.45am Private Intention
<b>Tuesday</b> 7 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Weekday of Christmas after Epiphany</b> Yelverton 10.00am Josephine Montenegro RIP (Rosary 9.40am Refreshments after Mass)
<b>Wednesday</b> 8 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Weekday of Christmas after Epiphany</b> (Yelverton - 9.15am Mothers Prayers in the Hall) Tavistock 10.00am Fr Michael Cole (Intention)
<b>Thursday</b> 9 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Weekday of Christmas after Epiphany</b> Tavistock 10.00am Angela Sharkey Holbrook RIP
<b>Friday</b> 10 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Weekday of Christmas after Epiphany</b> Yelverton 10.00am Barry Chan RIP (Rosary 9.40am for Vocations)
<b>Saturday</b> 11 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Weekday of Christmas after Epiphany</b> Tavistock 10.00am Private Intention
	<b>Vigil Mass of The Baptism of the Lord</b> Yelverton 6.00pm Baby Josh & Family (Intention)
<b>Sunday</b> 12 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b> Tavistock 9.00am People of the Parishes of Tavistock & Yelverton Yelverton 10.45am Deceased Members of the Cooper & Healey Families

### Sacrament of Reconciliation: 5.30pm on a Saturday and on request.

We pray for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: Nathaniel J Brown, Margaret Delisle-Gray, Janet M Hazel, Oliver Cooper, Evelyn M Downey, Cara Louisa Adams.

### A warm welcome to our visitors!

**Please pray for the sick and/or housebound** including, Margaret Phelps, Jill White, Nora Steel, Margaret Bradford, Margaret Davies & Baby Josh.

**No Children's Liturgy due to School holidays. Sessions will start next Sunday.**

**Visitors/Holiday Makers:** If you would like to 'Gift Aid' your giving there are some **white** 'Gift Aid' envelopes on the table at the back of the church.

**Mass intentions:** Mass intentions slips, envelopes and cards are available at the back of the Church.

**Refreshments** are served in the hall after the 10.45am 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.

We would like your help in updating and keeping up-to-date our **General Parish Records**. We would appreciate your time in completing the form enclosed with the Newsletter. Additional forms are available on the table at the back of the Church. Thank you.

### A Personal Thanks!

I wish to sincerely thank you for the many cards and for your kind words of support and encouragement. It is heartening!

While these last few months, since arriving, have been quite busy I have continued to enjoy getting to know you and it has been a pleasure to be here. I thank God for each of you at this special and joyful time, and for the support you have given, not only at this time but since my arrival in the Parish.

Thank you!

*Fr Martin*

**Last Chance: 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. It enables their parenting programme to continue to build links throughout the community giving practical and emotional support to parents as they bring up their children.

### Forthcoming Holy Cross Events at a Glance

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January** A *Safeguarding Day* will be held at Holy Cross from 11am-4pm. The morning session will deal with issues concerning children such as sexual exploitation, gangs etc. The afternoon will focus on adult issues including The Care Act, Mental Capacity, Domestic Abuse, FGM etc. This day will be open to any interested parishioners and Tavistock parishioners will be joining us. The Day will be led by Rob Kingdon from the Diocesan Safeguarding Office.

The **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** preparation programme for 2020 will be starting on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 9:30. Any parent/guardian whose child is in school Year 3 or above and wishes to start the preparation, should fill in a registration form, which can be collected from the back of the church. This should be handed to Mary Pike by Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January.

### Notices

**The Martha Group**, with advice and guidance from Fr Martin and Bishop Mark, have sent individual cards to the Vietnamese Victims of traffickers, who lost their lives in a container on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019. We have liaised with Fr Simon, a Vietnamese Priest in the Westminster Diocese who is setting up a fund to educate the children of the victims who are bereaved.

We have sent a donation of £200 from the Martha Group Funds via electronic transfer. If any parishioner wishes to join in this charitable act, please place your donation in an envelope marked '**Vietnamese Victims**' and place it in the Sunday Collection or hand to a member of the Martha Group. Thank you. See poster at the back of the Church.

**A big thank** you to all who participated in Christmas Draw on 22<sup>nd</sup> December and donated wonderful prizes. The Jackson family had decorated the hall with festive balloons and provided a feast of goodies to enjoy with the mulled wine. The Marks Family organised the draw. Dr Bob Naybour won the £50 first prize. The full list is on the notice board at the back of church. £120 was raised for church funds.

**Large plastic sweet tubs (e.g. Roses, Celebrations etc)** are being recycled by our local Community College. If you have any to donate please leave them at the back of church / or beside the Foodbank box, for collection.

**Derriford Hospital Chaplaincy** currently has no Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to visit patients to take them the Blessed Sacrament. If you would like to undertake this important task you must be currently doing the role or have the support of your Parish Priest to be trained to do it. In addition there is a training course to undertake on Tuesday afternoons for six weeks consecutively, 16.30-18.30 starting on February 18<sup>th</sup>. If you would like more information please contact Deacon Simon Fletcher on 01752 245255.

### Around & About

Subscriptions are now due. The cost is 60p a copy, but only £6 for the full 12 months. Subscription forms are, as usual, in the January magazine, but there is also a supply of these forms at the rear of the church so that new subscribers can apply.

(Please give Subscriptions & forms to Sue Walsh)

### Rosary Leaflets

A leaflet has been produced by The Catenian Association headed "The Rosary" which provides helpful information on how one should pray the Rosary and reflections on the Mysteries of the Rosary. There is a supply of these leaflets at the back of the Church. Please take a copy.

**The Bonus Ball** winner on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December was Canon Denis with ball number 26. He won £25. There were 32 paid up subscribers that night so £7 went to Parish funds. He has kindly reinvested his winnings in our fundraising scheme.

**The Bonus Ball** winner on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December was Damian Walsh with ball number 9. He won £25. There were 32 paid up subscribers that night so £7 went to Parish funds.

**N.B. If you are an annual subscriber your subscriptions may have lapsed. Please check with Sue Walsh if you wish to be included.**

**This venture provides a valuable drip feed for Parish funds. Although it does not seem to provide much each week, overall this year 14 times the ball number drawn was unsubscribed on our list so the full takings went to the Parish!**

### *Catholic South West!*

The January edition is available – 50p per copy

CTS booklets – individually priced in the rack  
Selection of cards & books in the carousel.

### Collections:

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

Loose plate £233.90

Gift aided £115.00 Standing orders £155.00

#### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December

Loose plate £218.69

Gift aided £90.00 Standing orders £80.00

**Thank you.**

**Parish Secretary Hours – Tuesdays and Fridays  
9.00am-2.00pm**

**Newsletter:** Sue Walsh Tel: 01822 854118 or email: [svwalsh@hotmail.com](mailto:svwalsh@hotmail.com) **(All items for the newsletter by noon on a Wednesday please).**

The Parish Safeguarding Representative is Sue Walsh (Tel: 07767480807).



### The Pope's Intention for January: Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.