



# HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

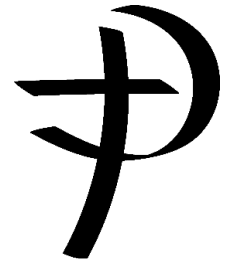
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**Week Commencing Sunday 7th January 2024 (Year B) - The Epiphany of the Lord**

(Readings: Is 60: 1-6 Ps 71 Eph 3:2-3a.5-6 Mt 2:1-12)

<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Vigil Mass of the Epiphany of the Lord</b>			
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Mass of the Epiphany of the Lord</b>			
	Tavistock	9am	Mass	<i>Nora Frances Barrett RIP (FDN)</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass	<i>Oliver Cooper RIP</i>
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>			
	Yelverton	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		10am	Mass	<i>Private Intention</i>
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup></b>	Tavistock	10.30am	Funeral Service	<i>Katarina Heblerova RIP</i>
<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	Tavistock	10am	Requiem Mass	<i>Mike Sibley RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Yelverton	9.25am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		10am	Mass	<i>Private Intention</i>
<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Vigil Mass of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
	Yelverton	6pm	Mass	<i>Bob &amp; Barbara Edwards' Intention</i>
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>			
	Tavistock	9am	Mass	<i>Sandra Bell RIP</i>
	Yelverton	10.45am	Mass	<i>People of the Parish</i>
	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation:</b> – After Mass or by appointment.			

**A very warm welcome to all our visitors!**

### Please pray for

#### those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Nathaniel Brown, Margaret Delisle-Gray, Janet Hazel, Oliver Cooper, Evelyn Downey, Clara Adams

**the sick and/or housebound including:** 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, Leslie Longhurst, Eileen Hoy, and Monica Finn.

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.

**Cards** have been printed depicting each of the worked squares of the wall hanging. They are very attractive, on good quality card and suitable for various occasions or just as notelets. They will be on sale after Mass on Sundays. Arrangements have been made for more to be printed if necessary. Proceeds to Holy Cross church.

The Annual Joint-Parish Christmas Dinner with Yelverton & Tavistock takes place on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January at the Yelverton Golf Club, 6.30 for 7pm for those who have signed up.

**Next RCIA group Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2024** at Our Lady of the Assumption Meeting Room at 5.30pm.

#### Youth event:

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January** - Music prep for all Youth Masses  
**Yelverton 11.45 – 12.45**  
Bring your instruments or your enthusiastic voices.

**Hot Pot Supper Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024** after the Evening Vigil Mass in Holy Cross Church Hall  
On a Winter's evening what could be better than a cosy Hot Pot supper, especially when it's all prepared for you?  
Vegetarian option available!

Do come and join us, the Martha Group, as we raise funds for our parish supper and bring some soft or alcoholic drinks with you. Tea and coffee will be provided.  
All donations gratefully accepted to support Holy Cross parish. Thank you for your support.  
Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church.

**NEEDLES AND PINS:** Several of those who worked on – and did a magnificent job on! – the Centenary wall hanging have expressed an interest in continuing with the group on Wednesday afternoons. Whilst there is not a single project in mind, I see it as a time to use or learn skills in the textile crafts – anything to do with needles and pins - so would include knitting, crochet, etc. I have many years' experience of teaching the skills and design aspects of a range of these things, so join us for a fun, laid-back afternoon with a tangible end result. Any unfinished projects lying around? Repairs? Rescuing loved garments? Upcycling? See what we made from odd scraps of fabric!

Whilst the wall hanging was restricted to Holy Cross parishioners, this would be open to both parishes. The first meeting will be held on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January** in the church hall at Holy Cross from **2-4pm**. Refreshments available. **If you are interested in being involved but are unable to attend this first meeting, please inform Sue Walsh or Elizabeth Bailey. There will be a list at the back of the church.**

**Tavistock Area Christians Together Unity Service & AGM - Sunday 21st January at the United Reformed Church, Russell Street, Tavistock 4 - 6pm**

You are very warmly invited to attend the above as part of The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2024; the unity service will start at 4pm followed by the AGM at around 5.15pm, with refreshments in between. It is always a joy & blessing to celebrate together, and a time of great encouragement as we hear of what God has been doing through the unity of His church in our area, with updates from TACT's many joint activities! Join us if you can!

**Youth** – A programme for the coming year has been produced and copies have been sent to our Yelverton and Tavistock Youth Group. Please see notice board for the full annual programme.

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January – see column one.**  
**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January** – Youth fund raising event.  
Cake Sale at Tavistock after Mass

**February events:**  
**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – 6pm** Yelverton  
teaching by Fr Cyriacus and Prep for Youth Mass

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>** – Youth Mass at Yelverton  
Followed by Youth fund raising event - Cake sale

**March events:**  
**Saturday 2nd March**  
– Inspire Music Festival at Buckfast Abbey  
You need to **sign up** for this event **before January 28<sup>th</sup>**  
See poster for details.

**New Bishop-elect of Plymouth:**

Our Bishop-elect Christopher Whitehead will be ordained the tenth Bishop of Plymouth on **February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024 in Plymouth Cathedral at 12.00 noon**. Further details will be published once they have been finalised, but this is just to make you aware of the date. Please keep Bishop-elect Christopher in your prayers. It is such a blessing to have him appointed to our Diocese.

**GATHER 2024** - The annual GATHER Conference unites people from across the Diocese of Plymouth and further afield for a weekend of faith, formation and friendship. This year, once again, we will gather at the Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay from Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February. Speakers include Avril Baigent from the Diocese of Northampton, artist Colin Bentley, Sr Mary Magdalen from the Sisters of Mary, Morning Star, Lynton and David Wells. Jo Boyce, from CJM Music will be leading the liturgies. Join us for the whole weekend or come as a day delegate. We look forward to seeing you there.

To book use the QR code on the poster and flyer or this link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1FvkAtifpACGwz3CvLBQG0VR59brlyHxY08DvB6YVivM/edit>.

**Around & About** magazine subscriptions for 2024 are now due. They can be paid by BACS, cheque or cash. Cheques made out to **Around & About** or cash can be paid to Sue Walsh.

The **Around & About** is the only "local to Yelverton" monthly magazine. It keeps us up to date about forthcoming events in the area, has useful adverts for local facilities and interesting articles on a variety of topics, including for the 7-8 local churches Please consider supporting the magazine by an annual subscription of £6 (or £13 if you would like it posted). Forms are available on the back table.

**Tavistock Food Bank**—For your information the following goods are required at our food bank: Coffee, Tinned potatoes, Tinned fruit, Smash, Tinned carrots, Squash, Jam, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Washing up liquid **Thank you**

**Parish Notices:-**

**Collections: December 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> 2023**  
Loose Plate £154.00 Standing Order: £150.00

**Mass Attendance:** Sat: 28 Sun: 52 **Thank you.**

**Bonus Ball News:** On Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> December ball number 38 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £34 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 34 subscribers that night.

**Thank you to everyone who has supported the Bonus Ball this year. We have raised £769 for the Parish and paid out £975 in prize money! We can always do with more subscribers.....contact Sue Walsh if you are interested.**

The **Parish Safeguarding Representative** is Sue Walsh.

**Newsletter:** Sue Walsh (Tel: 07767480807) or email: [svwalsh@hotmail.com](mailto:svwalsh@hotmail.com) **(All items for the newsletter by noon on a Wednesday please).**



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**Pope's Intentions for January — For the gift of diversity in the Church**

Let us pray that the Spirit help us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian Community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.