



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Week Commencing Sunday 7th March 2021 (Year B) *Third Sunday in Lent*

(Readings: *Ex 20:1-17 Ps 18 1Co 1:22-25 Jn 2:13-21*)

Saturday 6th	<i>Vigil Mass of The Third Sunday in Lent</i>	
	Yelverton 6pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 7th	<i>Third Sunday in Lent</i>	
	Tavistock 9am	Ellen McNally RIP
	Yelverton 10.45am	Mary Barrett RIP
Tuesday 9th	<i>Lent Feria</i>	Mary Lawlor & Deceased members of the Lawlor Family
Wednesday 10th	<i>Lent Feria</i>	Fr Michael Cole Intention
Thursday 11th	<i>Lent Feria</i>	Ella Irene Dooley RIP
Friday 12th	<i>Lent Feria</i>	Jason Patrick Bishop RIP
Saturday 13th	<i>Vigil Mass of The Fourth Sunday in Lent</i>	
	Yelverton 6pm	Mike Knight RIP
Sunday 14th	<i>Fourth Sunday in Lent – Laetare Sunday</i>	
	Tavistock 9am	People of the Parish
	Yelverton 10.45am	Marcel de Gascun RIP

As we are in Tier 4, the Government guidelines state places of worship can open for communal services. This means we can continue with our Masses.

Once in church you must: - wear a face covering to keep your nose and mouth covered at all times (except when receiving Holy Communion) - sit in your allocated seat and not move around or chat with friends or fellow parishioners from outside of your household or support bubble. These are requirements of us being able to be open and we appreciate your support with this.

A warm welcome to our visitors!

Parish Notices:-

Please pray for:

the sick and/or housebound including, Margaret Phelps, Jill White, Nora Steel, Margaret Bradford, Margaret Davies and Barbara Everet.

and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time Patrick Coleman, Karen Gasche, Eileen M Teahan, Wilhelmine Maker, Rose D Bold, Gerald P de Wilton

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Marcel de Gascun** who died recently, and for her family & friends, who will mourn her.

More stewards and sanitisers are needed to help at our Masses. Please let the Parish Office know if you can assist us. Fr Martin

Easter Cards for sale – It has been suggested to maybe send Easter Cards this year as so many people feel isolated from family and friends. If you wish you can obtain these from Holy Cross, please contact either Sue Savage 853572 or Ann Ruth via the Parish Office if you require any. £2 for 5, £3 for 6, £4 for pack of 12 or £7 for a box of 20.

The members of the **Mothers Prayers group** are continuing to hold their normal weekly meetings on-line at **9.15 am on Wednesday mornings**. Please contact mguly@aol.com with prayer requests.

Other Notices: -

Lent....

Caritas Lent Resources: Caritas Plymouth has developed some resources for individual, group and parish reflection during Lent 2021. The resources include podcasts, links to websites and ideas for reflection during Lent, with a focus on Catholic Social Teaching <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Lenten-2021-Resources.pdf>

We hope that you find this material inspiring.

CAFOD Lent Appeal

Thank you for your generous gifts to help people like Hagos in Ethiopia, struggling to cope in an ever-drier climate. He and his family nearly starved due to drought but because of your support CAFOD was able to provide Hagos and his neighbours with solar-powered water pumps. Now they have flowing water to cultivate their land.

Remember, it's not too late to give to our Lent appeal by going to cafod.org.uk/lent

Message received from Fr Jon Bielowski: "A copy of our Newsletter for the Vicariate for Evangelisation and Catechesis, entitled, *Evangelium* is now available. Hopefully, it will give you a good idea of the range of our work, what we are doing/achieving, and the objectives by which we operate." **A copy is available on the Holy Cross website but if you would like a hard copy sent to you please contact Ann Ruth via the Parish Office.**

The World Day of Prayer took place on Friday, 5th March. The prayers this year have been written by the women of Vanuatu, a Pacific Island. At this time, we are unable to have an ecumenical service. If you would like to make a donation there are marked envelopes at the back of the church. It is hoped that it will be possible to access a service from Vanuatu on YouTube.

<https://www.wwdp.org.uk/>

On the first Sunday of July 2021 there will be an ecumenical service at St. Andrew's Buckland Monachorum to celebrate World Day of Prayer.

An Invitation from Caritas Plymouth – Growing our Justice and Peace Work

- Are you concerned about injustice in our world?
- Do you feel the need to take action and make your voice heard?
- Would you like support and encouragement?
- Are you already taking action and want to inspire others?

If the answer is yes, then please get in touch with Caritas Plymouth. We are looking to grow the Justice and Peace activities in the Diocese of Plymouth to offer:

- Connections between existing Justice and Peace groups to share ideas
- Opportunities for action,
- Access to related agencies,
- Friendship, solidarity and mutual support.

If you are interested in finding out more please contact Deborah, the Caritas Manager, on 01364 645421 or email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk

New Online Patchwork Parenting Courses Launched:

Following feedback from parents earlier this year, we have now set up our 'Parenting through the Primary Years' and 'Hormones and Harmony' courses online to be run in the evenings from the beginning of March. These online courses are designed to be open to everyone as they are Diocesan wide, rather than school specific and we are hoping by offering courses in the evening, more parents will be able to access our free support. These online courses have been advertised on our CCSP Facebook page and have been sent out through the CAST school network. Please visit

<https://www.facebook.com/CatholicChildrensSocietyPlymouth/>

Holy Week and Easter Services

People have already been asking where and when the Services will be taking place and the format of those Services given, for example, that we are still restricted to 30 minutes under present Government guidelines. Currently we are awaiting information about this and will let people know as soon as arrangements have been made.

Marcel will be a great loss to our Parish family. She was very committed to anything she undertook and extremely generous, not only to the many young people she had known as babies and delighted in following their achievements, but also to ALL of us who asked for prayers. Through many of her long bouts of ill health, she would follow a schedule of prayers and say 'today this is for.....' And seemingly she never missed anyone. We give thanks to the priests and faithful friends from the Parish who were able to support her over many years. She is reunited with her beloved Vernon.

Anon

GDPR—Fr Martin is currently undertaking an audit and checking what parish information might be kept off site, ie away from the parish office. If anyone has any such information, then please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Foodbank – We are currently supporting the Horrabridge Community Food Store. Items required are: **Small bags of sugar, Pot noodles, Baked beans x 4 packs (if possible)** + the usual: Tinned vegetables & meals, ravioli, Frey Bentos pies, toilet roll, washing up liquid, laundry powder, small boxes of tea, coffee, sugar. Items can still be left on the bench under the porch and they will be taken on Wednesday mornings. For more information about this community visit their Facebook group page:

<https://m.facebook.com/groups/217891756264547?view=group>

The Bonus Ball: on Saturday 27th February ball number 20 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £32 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 32 subscribers that night

Recent Collections

Standing orders: £153.00 *Other collections will be counted after the Lockdown.*
Thank you

Parish Secretary working hours: Tues & Fri 9am-2pm.

Newsletter: Sue Walsh (Tel: 07767480807) or email: 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 evangelisation for March - Sacrament of reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.