



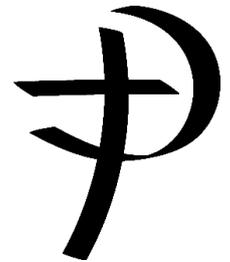
## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**WEEK COMMENCING 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017**

*The Epiphany of the Lord*

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

**Masses during the week:-**

Monday	<b>No Mass</b>	
Tuesday	10am	The Rosary will be said at 9.40. Refreshments after Mass
Wednesday	10am	
Thursday	10am	
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:** Margaret Delise-Gray, Janet M. Hazel, Evelyn M. Downey, Clara L. Adams, Gerald Averhill Ivereigh, Jan S. McKinnon, Florence Leahy, Sr Louise M. McLoughlin,

**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.

**Diocese of Plymouth Yearbook 2017** – These are now available for collection by those who ordered a copy. They are at the back of the church. Ring-bound £3.75. Perfect (non ring-bound) £3.25.  
*Copies can be ordered for anyone who would like one & who hasn't placed an order.*

**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.

**Available**

***Catholic Herald*** £2

***Catholic South West*** for December/January 50p

**Dates:**

***Echoes – Echoing Christ***

Are you communicating the truth and the joy of Jesus Christ? An invitation to join in the 'Echoes' Programme Parish-based training for handing on the faith. Open to all who want to speak to others about their faith but don't know where to start. For parents and grandparents who want to communicate their faith to their children but don't know how.

**Free 'Echoes' Taster Session: Saturday 14 January 2017 (9.30 Holy Mass; session 10.45am-12noon). Venue: St Peter's Catholic Church, Crownhill.**

'Echoes' Handing on the faith Programme – Saturday 21 January 2017 (Second Session). This and 9 further Saturday morning sessions, same times and place, cost £15 for the whole course! To book: please contact St Peter's Parish Office: 01752 701660. For more details, pick up a flyer at the back of the church.

**As course places are limited, you are urged to book promptly.**

**Ecumenical Worship Service – 3pm Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at St Paul's Church, Yelverton.** I do hope to see a good representation of Holy Cross parishioners at this service during the annual Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity. *Fr Louis*

**Plymouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 27<sup>th</sup> May - 2nd June 2017 & Plymouth Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage on same dates (led by Bishop Mark). Please see notice Board for details.

### **Extraordinary Form 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, 29<sup>th</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 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:**

#### **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 'refresher' presentations on this ministry and to review current practice. These will be held in the New Year and further details will be announced shortly.

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

**The Bonus Ball winner** on 31<sup>st</sup> December was Paul Boswell with ball number 25. He won £25. There were 40 subscribers that night so £15 went to Parish funds.

**Unwanted or surplus Christmas Gifts?** These could be turned to advantage if you are prepared to donate them to Holy Cross where they can be sold to raise funds for Mary's Meals a charity supported by the Martha Group. See [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk)  
*'To help provide a daily meal in a place of learning, to meet the immediate needs of hungry children and encourage them to go to school to gain an education that can, in the future, be their ladder out of poverty.'*  
If you would like to help place any unwanted items on the table in the hall over the next two Sundays.

### **The parish has received the following note from the Tavistock Foodbank:**

"Thank you for your generous donation to the Tavistock Foodbank. Because of your support, Tavistock Foodbank is addressing the hunger crisis in our community. We are on the front lines of a local response to poverty and hunger and last year we distributed nearly 7 tonnes of food to over 600 people in need. More than 200 of those were children. Your donation will help to provide essential support to those who need it most. Your gift makes a real difference. Thank you for helping families to share a wholesome meal. [www.tavistock.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.tavistock.foodbank.org.uk) "

**The SVP would like to thank all who contributed to the Sudan Baby feeding appeal** this Christmas, which raised £573.00, the SVP box will continue to be used for this appeal until further notice.

**A New Year's card** and a letter has been received from our twinned SVP conference at St. James's Church, Vayalar Kerala S. India. The card and letter are displayed on the SVP notice board in the church hall.

**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*

**New to the Parish?** If you have not done so, it would be really helpful you could please fill in the form at the back of the church giving your name & details for Parish records? Thank you.

**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](http://www.artofdyingwell.org)

**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 £197.30  
Gift aided £631.00.

*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)**  
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