

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

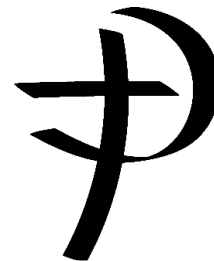
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Week Commencing Sunday 9th March 2025— First Sunday of Lent (C)

(Readings: Dt 26:4-10 Ps 91 (90) Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13)

Sunday 9th March

First Sunday of Lent

Mass 9am

Karen Gasche RIP

Sunday 16th March

Second Sunday of Lent

Mass 9am

Michael Knight RIP

Sunday 23rd March

Third Sunday of Lent

Mass 9am

Eamonn McNamara RIP

All Sunday Masses will be at 9am up to Easter.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: – After Mass or by appointment.

A very warm welcome to all our visitors!

Please pray for:

all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Robert McIntosh, Karen Gasche, Eileen Teahan, Wilhelmine Maker, Rose Bold, Gerald de Wilton, Mike Knight, Christine Greenwood

the sick and/or housebound, including: Margaret

Davies, Ian Kilpatrick, Canon Denis Collin, Anne Stanton, Seth Marks, Margaret Drayton, Mary Boon, Paul Gray, Joy Jewell, Lynn Nettleton, Leslie Longhurst, Eileen Hoy, Monica Finn, Alexandra Vanduivanbode, Mary Gibbs, Susan Beavan, Jane Devenish & Jose Belshaw

Refreshments will be served in the hall after Mass. If you can take a turn to serve refreshments sometime, please can you fill in the rota in the hall.

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

Walk with me. A few Lent Booklets are still available at the back of the Church, £1 per copy.

Message from Bishop Philip Moger:

At the beginning of November 2024, just before I was to begin my ministry in Plymouth, I let it be known that concerns of a personal nature had been raised, to which I had to attend immediately. This has taken longer than I anticipated. All things considered, I have come to the decision to present to the Holy Father a request to step down from my appointment as Bishop of the Diocese of Plymouth. The Holy Father has accepted my request. For the immediate future, I will be taking a sabbatical: a time of prayer and personal reflection, the next stage on the journey of my ministry. I realise, with regret, that this leaves a continuing vacancy in the Diocese of Plymouth. I assure the lay faithful, clergy and religious of the Diocese of my good wishes and prayers, and ask the same of them for me.

24 February 2025

We dare to hope - A Parish Lent course.

As we are now in full flow of the Church's Holy Year, where we are called to be 'pilgrims of Hope', here is a chance to explore and engage with the true and deep virtue of Hope which should permeate our lives and be shared with everyone we meet. This 5-week course, written by the Dominican Sisters of the New Forest, will be held in St. Peter's Parish Room, Crownhill on **Thursdays in Lent at 7pm. The dates are March 13th, 20th and 27th and April 3rd and 10th.** Come along, 'dive into Hope', and bring a friend with you.



CAFOD Lent Appeal – Family Fast Day collection

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection and be a pilgrim of hope with CAFOD this Jubilee Year. You'll be supporting communities suffering the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call us on 0303 303 3030. You can also **text CAFODLENT to 70085** to donate £10.



Divine Mercy Chaplet and Stations of the Cross during Lent. This will be held every Friday during Lent at 3pm at Our Lady of the Assumption, Tavistock.

Flame 2025 - Saturday 15th March

Flame is aimed at **young people aged 13 - 23**. The Diocese will be taking 2 coaches of young people, one coach starting from Plymouth, picking up enroute through Devon. The other coach will be taking a group from Dorset. Flame is a series of speakers and bands from across the world. For more details about the programme: <https://cymfed.org.uk/flame/Tickets> are £35 to include entry and travel. To book:

<https://forms.office.com/e/xFz6K2Vkd7> For further information contact, Saskia:youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Revelation – in this Jubilee year where Pope Francis has asked us to be active “Pilgrims of Hope”, renowned scripture scholar and author, Fr. Nicholas King SJ, will lead us to understand the **Book of Revelation** and how the Word of God is our power for Mission. . This event will be held at Buckfast Abbey conference centre on **Saturday 15th March 10am-4pm. (Dart View Room 4)**. There is an opportunity to go to the Abbey Mass at noon. Booking is **essential** and needs to be done through plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk Enquiries: 01752 701660. We look forward to seeing you at this inspiring day.

Online Prayer Group. An online group has been sharing Morning Prayer and Night Prayer, Monday to Fridays, for the last two years. We simply pray the Divine Office together (over about twelve minutes) - 'for the sake of the Church and the world'. People dip in, as they can (no apologies needed when we can't). There is no obligation to read, just join us in prayer. For more information contact <deborah.vankroonenburg@prcdtr.org.uk>

Lent retreat day on Saturday 15th March 2025 at St Rita's Centre. "WHO AM I? A TOURIST OR A PILGRIM?" by Fr. Ignatius Paul Raj. The day will begin with coffee/tea on arrival at 9.30am. First Talk will start at 10am, second talk will be at 11am. Exposition and Adoration of the holy Sacrament in silence will be at 12pm. Lunch will be served at 1.00pm, Mass at 2.45pm and there will be an opportunity for Confession. The charge for the day, including lunch, is just £25.00. Payment can be made on the day. Booking can be made by phone, email or Online <https://www.stritascentre.org/events-retreats-1/len-retreat-day-who-am-i-a-tourist-or-a-pilgrim>.

Here is the link to the first **Jubilee Lenten Offering**, a reflection on the readings for the first Sunday of Lent by Monsignor Robert Draper and a prayer from CAFOD.

<https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/D7100EFC8912BD9B2540EF23F30FEDED>

Caritas Jubilee Lent resources

The theme of the 2025 Jubilee year is “Pilgrims of Hope”. This is a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of COVID-19 pandemic, and a climate crisis. The Pope has chosen six social action themes for prayer and reflection during the Jubilee Year: care for creation, food poverty, modern slavery, managing debt, forgiveness and rest. Caritas Diocese of Plymouth has created a resource on these six themes. It can be used by individuals or parish groups to discuss one or more of the themes. Caritas Diocese of Plymouth can also provide support to parishes wishing to explore any of these themes in greater details.

<https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Jubilee-Parish-Resources-2.pdf>

Tavistock Foodbank: For your information the following goods are urgently required at the food bank: **Milk, Fruit juice, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned meat, Pot noodles**

A big thanks from everyone at Tavistock Foodbank

CAFOD Lent Lunch at Our Lady of the Assumption, Tavistock on Saturday 5th April 2025 at 12noon. If you are going please let Ann Ruth know so she can pass the numbers to Gill for catering purposes. Thank you.

Parish Notices:

Martha Group Pancake Lunch

Thank you to all who came and supported our Pancake lunch on Tuesday. The event raised £190 (plus Gift Aid) for CAFOD.

Collections 2nd March

Loose Plate £121 Standing Orders £615
Card Reader: £0

Mass Attendance: 49

Thank you

Bonus Ball News: on Saturday 1st March ball number 53 was drawn in the National Lottery. As this had been unallocated in our weekly Draw the full £25 goes to Church Funds as agreed when the Bonus Ball was set up in 1997. There were 28 subscribers that night.

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**)



Parish Secretary— Ann Ruth

**Yelverton: Wednesdays 9am - 12.15pm
& Fridays 12.45pm – 4pm**

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Pope's Intentions March 2025: For the new Martyrs We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. <https://popesprayer.va>