

Holy Cross Catholic Community

'A family for all cultures to nurture disciples of all ages'

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Year of Matthew

15th March 2020 Third Sunday Lent

Reading cycles: Sundays Year A Psalter Week 3

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Day & Date	Mass Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 14th March First Mass of Sunday	6.00 pm	Jawahar John RIP
Sunday 15th March Third Sunday Lent	9.30 am	Jean Thomas Thanksgiving
Monday 16th March St Patrick	9.30 am	
Wednesday 18th March Third Week Lent	7.30 pm	
Thursday 19th March St Joseph	9.30 am	
Friday 20th March Third Week Lent	7.30 pm	Joan Welsh Special Intention
Saturday 21st March Third Week Lent	12 noon	
Saturday 21st March First Mass of Sunday	6.00 pm	
Sunday 22nd March Fourth Sunday Lent	9.30 am	

Recently Died

Archbishop Peter Smith

Anniversaries

Helen & Will Wagstaff

Edgar Chriswick

Pat Collins

Mary Williams

Teresa de Francesco

Terence Cullen

Josephine McAdams

Lillian Turner

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Heavenly Father,
look with mercy on the sick of our parish community and help them in this time of sickness. Restore them to health, we pray, Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Confessions In lent : Saturdays 11am—12 noon, evening 5.30pm—6pm. (Divine Mercy prayer before all weekday Masses)

Stations of the Cross each Friday at 7pm during Lent, followed by Mass at 7.30 pm

Prayer to St Joseph

O St Joseph, loving custodian of the Redeemer, you are our model of unconditional trust to the will of God. You followed in total surrender the noble mission entrusted to you by the Father revealed through the Angel Gabriel while you were immersed in sacred slumber. Through the help of your paternal; intercession, may the Lord give us unwavering determination and filial confidence to his loving care. Give us a share in your enlightened disposition when we are in doubt, and courage of heart when we face difficulties and trials, so that at the end of life's journey we may close our eyes with calm serenity to wake up in the tender love of God the Father in heaven. Amen.

(Here ask for the favours you wish to obtain)

St Joseph, pray for us.

Glory and praise to our God, who alone gives light to our days. Many are the blessings he bears to those who trust in his ways.

May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of His name, for our good and the good of all His Holy Church.

Save us, Saviour of the world.

For by your cross and resurrection you have set us free.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be

Use your voice for kindness, your ears for compassion, your hands for charity, your mind for truth and your heart for love

Last weeks Collection £464
200 Club winner 21

Sacrament of Confirmation—
Saturday June 20th 11.00 am

First Communion
Sunday 24th May at 9.30 am

Please pick up your Sunday Offering envelopes from the porch. I am grateful to you for your generosity and I would greatly appreciate if you can be a bit more generous, maybe by adding an extra 50p in your collection, as our expenses are going up. May I also ask those who are paying tax and have not signed up for gift aid to please do so.

Charity Shop
Visit the Charity Shop and
enjoy a chat and a cup of tea.
Open Tuesdays and
Wednesdays 10.30 am—3pm

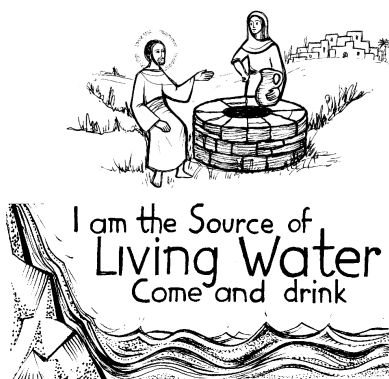
Growing in Faith Mondays 7.30 pm

Soul of my saviour

Sanctify my breast
Body of Christ
Be thou my saving guest
Blood of my saviour
Bathe me in thy tide
Wash me with water
Flowing from thy side

Guard and defend me
From the foe malign;
In death's dread moments
Make me only thine;
Call me, and bid me,
Come to thee on high,
When I may praise thee

Strength and protection
May thy passion be;
O blessed Jesus,
Hear and answer me;
Deep in thy wounds, Lord,
Hide and shelter me;
So shall I never,
Never part from thee.



Prayer for protection from Epidemic

God our Father, we trustingly pray to you, asking that the coronavirus may do no more harm, that the epidemic may be swiftly gotten under control, and that you restore the health of those affected and peace to the places where the virus has arrived.

Welcome into your kingdom the people who have died from this illness, and comfort their families.

Sustain and protect the healthcare personnel who are fighting it, and inspire and bless those working to control it.

Lord Jesus, doctor of our bodies and souls, we feel impotent in the face of this international health emergency, but WE TRUST IN YOU.

Give us peace and health.

Mother Mary, protect us and continue to take care of us

Lent: Pope Francis invites believers to prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed:

Prayer, which teaches us to abandon idolatry and the self-sufficiency of our ego, and to acknowledge our need of the Lord and his mercy.

Ministers of the Word & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend 21st / 22nd March

Saturday

<i>First</i>	Erin
<i>Second</i>	Karen
<i>Bidding Prayers</i>	Luke
Eucharistic Ministers	

Sunday

<i>First</i>	Angel
<i>Second</i>	Josie
<i>Bidding Prayers</i>	Wilson
Eucharistic Ministers	Shirley

Church Cleaning

March 21st	No clean
March 28th	Justine, Imelda, Marian

Ministers—if you cannot attend or need to change your rota, please let us know. For Sundays contact Donna (460411 Mobile 07745947773) and for Saturdays contact Pam Phillips (07816980698

Legion of Mary

Members of Swansea, Neath, Port Talbot branches renew their consecration to Our Blessed Lady on **Saturday 21st March** during 12 noon Mass.

You are all welcome to join for the devotion at 11.30 am, Mass and refreshments in the hall. (New members are welcome to join, each Monday after Mass we have rosary and Legion of Mary Prayer).

Paschal Candle

If anyone would like to donate towards the Easter Candle 2020 (which is a symbol of the Risen Lord) in thanksgiving or in loving memory of family and friends, both living and dead, please have a word with Father Cyril.

Friday 20th March

Special day of fasting and prayer for the parish. May I ask you all to make some sacrifice on that day and those who are able to, attend the holy hour 6pm.—7pm followed by Stations of the Cross and Mass.