

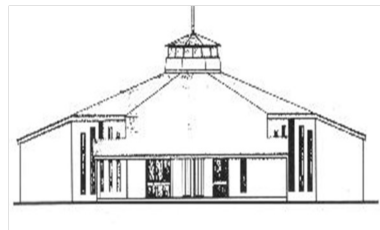
# Holy Cross Catholic Community

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

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**GOD-IS-WITH-US**

**SUNDAY 8th January 2023 Feast Baptism of the Lord**

**Reading Cycles: Sundays Year A Psalter Week 1**

Day and Date	Mass Time	Intention
<b>Saturday 7th January</b> <b>First Mass of Sunday</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	Simmonds Family Special Intention
<b>Sunday 8th January</b> <b>Baptism of the Lord</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Linda Hollins Sp Intention Patricia Casey Birthday Blessings
<b>Monday 9th January</b> <b>Weekday Ordinary Time</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Catherine Wood RIP Fr S Clancy RIP
<b>Wednesday 11th January</b> <b>Weekday Ordinary Time</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>	Shalini & Emmanuel Thanksgiving
<b>Thursday 12th January</b> <b>Weekday Ordinary Time</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Carole Fowler RIP
<b>Friday 13th January</b> <b>Weekday Ordinary time</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Sue Jones Birthday Blessings
<b>Saturday 14th January</b> <b>Weekday Ordinary time</b>	<b>12 noon</b>	Josie Shepherd Birthday Blessings
<b>Saturday 14th January</b> <b>First Mass of Sunday</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	Joe Moruzzi RIP

## Recently Died

All Souls whose names are entered in our Book of Remembrance and all victims of covid & war  
Our family & friends whose anniversaries occur around this week

*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

**Crib Offering** Giving hope to the vulnerable Christians through Friends of the Holy Land.  
Many thanks for your support

"At this moment, my thought naturally goes to dear Pope emeritus Benedict XVI who left us this morning. We are moved as we recall him as such a noble person, so kind. And we feel such gratitude in our hearts: gratitude to God for having given him to the Church and to the world; gratitude to him for all the good he accomplished, and above all, for his witness of faith and prayer, especially in these last years of his recollected life. Only God knows the value and the power of his intercession, of the sacrifices he offered for the good of the Church." Pope Francis  
( Archbishop Mark will celebrate a Requiem Mass for Pope Benedict on Thursday 12th at 12 noon at St. Joseph's Cathedral )

In the Winter Season of Ordinary Time, we are invited to pray for these intentions: Peace on Earth; Openness to the Word of God; Christian Unity; Victims of Human Trafficking and those Who Work to Combat it; The Sick and Those Who Care for Them; The Unemployed.

**Parish Bank Details for your Offering**

Name : Gendros Parish

A/C NO: 90264630

Sort Code 55 -61 -20

Last Weekend Offering £ 480

Thank you and God Bless

**Pope's Intention: That educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all'**

**First Holy Communion Preparations**

**F H C CLASS RESTARTS ON SUNDAY 8TH JANUARY**

**CHURCH FLOWERS—THANK YOU LORD**

Have you remembered to donate a bunch of flower in thanksgiving for all the blessings? You can give your name & donation to Donna or Mona.

Our Charity Shop will be closed for good . So we do not accept any more donations. Many thanks for your understanding and support.

*Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead.*

Look!

Look up,

O Jerusalem!

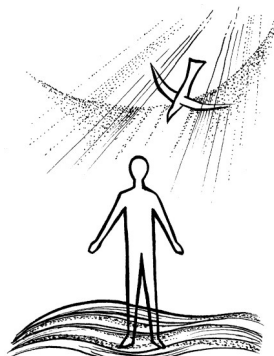
The world is coming,  
running to walk in your light.  
We are the sparkling and dull,  
the border agents and  
the undocumented,  
the kings and  
the drifters,

Lord, please

shine your light upon us all.

Let your star chase away our darkness  
and fill us with your radiant love.

Make us into epiphanies  
overflowing with  
wonderful care for  
each other



**Ministers of the Word**

**Weekend 14th / 15th January**

**Saturday 6pm**

*First Reading*

**Trish**

*Second Reading*

**Helen**

*Bidding Prayers*

**Karen**

**Sunday**

*First Reading*

**Annie**

*Second Reading*

**Derlyn**

*Bidding Prayers*

**Angel J**

**Church Cleaning**

*Week beginning :*

**16th January**

**Justine & Marian**

**23rd January**

**No clean**

**30th January**

**Teresa & Team**

**Ministers—if you cannot attend or need to change your rota, please let us know by contacting Donna (07745947773)**

**Gratitude and Generosity**

Gratitude and generosity are similar virtues, but they differ in that gratitude is an internal characteristic and generosity is our external expression of our sense of gratitude, gratitude is how we feel, and generosity is how we express that feeling out in the world.

**Go therefore and make disciples  
of all nations (Mt 28:19).**

**It is a request that the Lord makes to every Christian in every time. Jesus uses an easy and essential verb: 'go'.**

**Some might think that to be a good Christian it is necessary above all to reflect, to meditate. Instead, Jesus says: Go! It is a decisive verb, because it transforms the disciple into an apostle, it makes him a missionary.**

**And you too, dear friends, are called to go, because God does not like it when we are lazy on the couch; He wants us on the move, on our way, ready and willing to put ourselves on the line."**