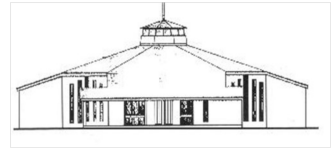


Holy Cross Catholic Community

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

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16th March 2025 2nd Sunday of Lent
Cycles: Sundays Year C Psalter Week 2

Day and Date	Mass Time	Intention
Saturday 15th March First Mass of Sunday	6.00 pm	Joan & Gerard Lawler RIP Kurt Carlsen RIP (Anniversary)
Sunday 16th March 2nd Sunday of Lent	10.30 am	Jawahar John RIP Larry Cooney RIP
Monday 17th March St Patrick Feast	9.30 am	Jolly & Family Thanksgiving Jean Thomas Thanksgiving
Wednesday 19th March St Joseph Solemnity	7.00 pm	Gorden Joseph B Blessing Jolly & Family Thanksgiving
Thursday 20th March Weekday 2nd Week of Lent	9.30 am	Jolly & Family Thanksgiving
Friday 21st March Stations of the Cross and Mass	7.00 pm	Thomas Veliyath Get well
Saturday 22nd March Weekday 2nd Week of Lent	12.00 noon	Remo D' Alesio RIP
Saturday 22nd March First Mass of Sunday	6.00 pm	

Recently Died

All Souls whose names are entered in our Book of Remembrance and all victims of war & violence
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.

First Holy Communion Class
after the Sunday Mass

24 Hours for the Lord

Parishes across the Archdiocese organising on 28th & 29th extended period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of the Jubilee year in preparation for Easter

Our times for Adoration and individual Confessions

Landore: Friday 28th 9.30 am to 10.30 am followed by Mass.

Gendros: Friday 28th 6pm to 7pm followed by Stations of the Cross & Mass.

Saturday 29th 11am to 12noon followed by Mass and 5pm to 6pm followed by Mass

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God, the Father the almighty, creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

The Gospel Acclamation

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

The Mystery of Faith

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free

Parish Bank Details for your Offering

Name : Gendros Parish
A/C NO: 90264630
Sort Code 55 -61 -20
Last weekend offering: £ 443

100 Club Winner : No: 37 Avril Jones
Many Thanks & God Bless

Second Week of Lent - Joy at the Transfiguration

Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." [Luke 9:33](#)
Peter was overwhelmed! Why was this the case? Because he had just been given a very small glimpse of the glory and splendour of God!
This is the Transfiguration. Jesus took Peter, James and John and they went up a high mountain together. These three Apostles had no idea what was coming. Most likely while on the way they were complaining interiorly, wondering why they had to go up the mountain. But the mountain is a symbol of our upward journey to Heaven. It takes focus and drive, commitment and resolve to go there, and it's an elevated place, a place away from the ordinary occurrences of life.

And what was going on in Peter's head? What was he experiencing? He was experiencing a small glimpse of the glory and splendour of God. Jesus, who up until this moment had kept His divinity veiled, lifted the veil ever so slightly.

So why did Jesus give these Apostles this very brief experience of His glory? Because they would need that taste of His goodness for the road ahead. They would need to forever remember what their final destiny was. They would need to hold this experience close as they endured the many crosses and sufferings ahead. And they would use this experience to remind themselves that whatever they had to endure on the journey up the mountain of life is worth it. Because on the summit is a glory so great that no hardship they would have to endure would ever prove to be too big. God wants to give that message to us through them. Reflect, today, on the glory of God that makes the crosses we endure all worth it. Take advantage of this experience of Peter, James and John and try to make their experience your own. Be consoled by God's glory and never forget that this is the ultimate promise He gives to all who press on.

My transfigured Lord, may I be consoled by Your glory and splendour. May I believe in this glory and keep it ever in my mind as I press on through the hardships and challenges I face. You travel the road ahead of me and You will lead me on my journey if I only trust in You. Jesus, I do trust in You!

Diocesan Prayer for the Jubilee Year

Ave Maria, With joy, you received the greeting and message of the Angel.

You ran quickly as a pilgrim of hope to your cousin to share with her the Good News of Salvation.

We ask you now to be close to us.

Teach us to be like you, to love Jesus wholeheartedly, and to welcome Him more deeply into our lives.

Help us to accept and surrender to the joyful and sorrowful mysteries of life, knowing that your maternal love is with us and that you show us how to follow your son.

Give us the courage to be Pilgrims of Hope for our world today, always announcing the Good News of your son.

With you, may we raise up the lowly, feed the starving, welcome the stranger, comfort the dying, be merciful to all, so that one day we will join with you and with all your sons and daughters in an eternal loving gaze upon the face of your Beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

Ministers of the Word

Week beginning 23rd / 24th March

First Reading	Shalini
Second Reading	Luke
Bidding Prayers	Sue

Sunday

First Reading	Deon
Second Reading	Emmanuel
Bidding Prayers	Annie

Church Cleaning

Week beginning :

10th March

Resmi & Bismi

17th March

No clean

24th March

Anci & Shalini

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



**Wednesday 19th March
Solemnity of St. Joseph**

Holy Mass

Landore 10.30am

Gendros 7.00pm

Would you like to relax your body and mind from the stress and worries of everyday life? Please join Fr Cyril on Mondays in Lent from 7pm to 8pm for Lectio Divina and Meditation in our meeting room. **WE DARE TO HOPE**

Youth meeting on Sunday 23rd March, facilitated by Fr Matt Saunders the youth & vocation director of the Archdiocese. Please make an effort to attend.