

# Cymuned Gatholig y Groes Sanctaidd

## Holy Cross Catholic Community

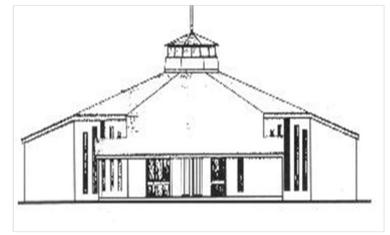
'Teulu ar gyfer pob diwylliant i feithrin disgyblion o bob oed'

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

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**15th March Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)**

**Cycles: Sundays Year A Psalter Week 4**

**HEART SPEAKS TO HEART**

Day and Date	Mass Time	Intention
<b>Saturday 14th March</b> <b>First Mass of Sunday</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Mary McCarthy M Blessings</b> <b>Alfredo Pompei Sp Intention</b>
<b>Sunday 15th March</b> <b>4th Sunday of Lent</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>M D Michael &amp;</b> <b>Aleykutty Michael RIP</b>
<b>Monday 16th March</b> <b>St Patrick Feast</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Annina RIP</b>
<b>Wednesday 18th March</b> <b>Weekday 4th Week of Lent</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>P P Varkey &amp;</b> <b>Annamma Varkey RIP</b>
<b>Thursday 19th March</b> <b>St Joseph Solemnity</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Jawahar John RIP</b> <b>Ben Davies RIP</b>
<b>Friday 20th March</b> <b>Weekday 4th Week of Lent</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>	<b>Beena Jolly Thanksgiving</b>
<b>Saturday 21st March</b> <b>Weekday 4th Week of Lent</b>	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>Debbie Morgan RIP</b>

### 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.

Confession Time: Saturdays 11.00 am to 11.50am  
and evening 5.30 to 5.50 pm.

Adoration: 9.00 am to 9.30 am on weekdays

### 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.  
*St Joseph pray for us and protect us.*

### 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 Mystery of Faith

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

### Gospel Acclamation

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.

**Parish Bank Details for your Offering**

Name : Gendros Parish

A/C NO: 90264630

Sort Code 55 -61 -20

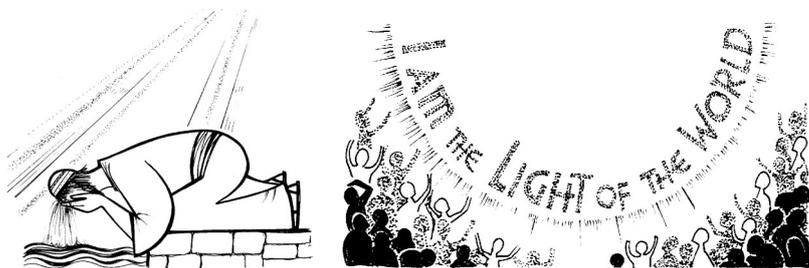
Weekly collection: £ 405

100 Club winner: No 24 Mike Phillips

Thank you and God Bless

*He smeared the clay on his eyes and he said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam."*

Jesus, won't you cleanse our  
blind eyes? ...  
Wash away the Mud? ...  
and move us from  
unseeing souls to believers—  
from bystanders to disciples,  
walkers in darkness to lamps for your light.  
O let our souls see!



**Paschal Candle 2026—27**

If you would like to sponsor or donate towards the Easter Candle which is the symbol of the Risen Lord in the Church in thanksgiving or in loving memory of your loved ones please speak to Fr Cyril

**Easter Flowers**

Any donation with love towards Easter flowers will gracefully received with big thanks

**The Holy Drama of Grace— The healing of the man born blind.**

The dramatic unfolding of this story teaches us that when we are given the grace of God by hearing His holy Word spoken and witnessing His mighty hand at work, we must make a choice. Either we will respond in faith and slowly be drawn deeper into that faith, or we will rationalize it away and reject God's saving action in our lives. It is not possible to simply remain indifferent to the Gospel when we hear it spoken or when we see its effects changing us or others.

Reflect, today, upon the two paths this sign from Heaven had on those present to this miracle. You, too, are present to this miracle through your reading of it. How will you respond? Will you imitate the Pharisees and discount the deep spiritual truths this action conveys? Or will you open yourself to the transforming power of this healing? Commit yourself to the path of this blind man. Say to our Lord, "I do believe, Lord." Apply those words to every action of Jesus in your life and allow that faith to lead you into worship of Him Who is the Light of the World.

*Jesus, Light of the World, You came to dispel the darkness caused by original sin. You came to heal our blindness and open the eyes of our souls to Your true Light. Please open my eyes so that I may see, and give me the courage I need to profess my faith in You and worship You with all my heart. Jesus, I trust in You.*

**The Eucharistic Miracle of Santarém Portugal** (13th century) A woman living in Santarém, in the 13th was distressed that her husband was unfaithful to her, and she decided to consult a sorceress for help. The sorceress told her the price of her services was a consecrated host. She went to Mass at the Church of St. Stephen and received the Eucharist on her tongue, removed the Eucharist from her mouth, wrapped it in her veil, and headed to the door of the church. Before she got out, the **host began to bleed**. When she got home, she put the bloodied host in a trunk. That night, a miraculous light emanated from the trunk. She repented of what she had done and the next morning confessed to her priest. The priest came and retrieved the host and took it back to the church. After an investigation and approval of the miracle, the church was renamed Church of the Holy Miracle, and the bloodied host remains on display to this day.

See and read about in greater detail on [www.miracolieucaaristici.org](http://www.miracolieucaaristici.org)



**Ministers of the Word**  
**Week beginning 21st/22nd March**

**Saturday**

First Reading  
Second Reading  
Bidding Prayers

Luke  
Katy  
Sue

**Sunday**

First Reading  
Second Reading  
Bidding Prayers

Maria de B  
Nathan  
Nicole

**Church Cleaning**

Week beginning :

16th March

23rd March

30th March

Shalini & Maria  
No clean  
Cagi Family

Donna (07745947773)

**The Parish Prayer**

Loving Father, we ask you to bless our parish:  
make us better people, more  
considerate towards others, more  
honest with ourselves and more faithful to You.  
Through the power of Your Holy Spirit open our  
ears to hear You in prayer, open our eyes to  
Your presence in one another and open our  
hearts to those who are searching for You. Help  
each of us find our true vocation in life, so that  
we may not only find our own happiness but  
bring happiness to others. We ask this through  
Christ our Lord. Amen

**Lenten Alms**

May I kindly request everybody to make a small sacrifice in the coming days and then donate that sacrifice towards Lenten alms in the box given as an expression of our solidarity with the suffering and those in need of our help. It is our obligation and Act of Mercy in Lent.