

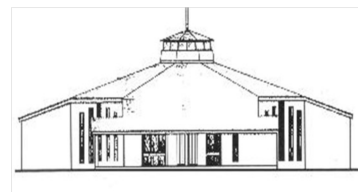
Holy Cross Catholic Community

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

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25th February 2024 Second Sunday Lent

Lord, be Merciful to me a sinner

Reading Cycles: Sundays Year B Psalter Week 2

Day and Date	Mass Time	Intention	Recently Died
Saturday 24th February First Mass of Sunday	6.00 pm	Rodney Jeynes RIP	Keith Phillips 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
Sunday 25th February 2nd Sunday Lent	10.00 am	Pro populo	
Monday 26th February Weekday 2nd week of Lent	9.30am	Binoy Thomas RIP	Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord R. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in Peace. Amen
Wednesday 28th February Weekday 2nd week of Lent	7.00pm	John & Frances Thanksgiving	
Thursday 29th February Weekday 2nd week of Lent	9.30 am		
Friday 1st March St David	7.00 pm	Maria Morgan Thanksgiving	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.
Saturday 2nd March Weekday 2nd week of Lent	12 noon	Annamma Augusty 1st Anniversary	
Saturday 2nd March First Mass of Sunday	6.00 pm		

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for personal prayer and silent Adoration on week days 30 minutes before the Mass. Confessions on Saturdays from 11 to 11.50 am. Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass in Lent.

FRIDAYS IN LENT

Our Church will be open on Fridays in Lent from 10am for private prayer and devotions. Stations of the Cross and Mass at 7 pm. Please make an extra effort to attend . A small sacrifice in Lent for us and for our family, friends and for all who suffer.

Unification of our two Dioceses

We have begun the "Listening Process" regarding the possible unification of our two Dioceses. Archbishop has asked us all to pray for this Process, that we be guided by the Holy Spirit in the decisions that are to be made.

"We pray for all in the Dioceses of Menevia and the Archdiocese of Cardiff during the Listening Process which is taking place at this time. May we be open to the guidance and consolation of the Holy Spirit, so that we can be more faithful and courageous missionary disciples of the Lord". Lord in You mercy....

Pilgrims of Hope

We are in the 'YEAR OF PRAYER' in preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025. The Bishops conference has published 'We Dare to Say' a beautiful resource book for Faith sharing on the Lord's Prayer. We are being asked to use them especially during the season of Lent in small faith-sharing groups. You are very welcome to join on Mondays in Lent (starting on 19th) in our meeting room from 7.30 pm to 8.30pm for Visio Divina, Meditation and Faith-sharing.

Parish Bank Details for your Offering

Name : Gendros Parish

A/C NO: 90264630

Sort Code 55 -61 -20

Last weekend Offering £ 443

Many Thanks

Parish Hall available for hire.

Please contact on 01792586454

Friends caught a dazed glimpse
of him, as he really was!
In blinding brightness,
his clothes turned dazzling white
as no eyes on earth had
ever seen.

O Christ, take us to your mountain.
Transform all our acts,
our very being, into your love.

"We are all walking around
shining like the sun."

Let us see it. Let us
glimpse your glory.

In beauty,
in skies, and flowers, and butterflies;
in a happy child's face,
in music that our souls sing,
in joyful people helping other people.



"Lent, then, immerses us in a bath of purification and of self-spoilation: it helps us to remove all the cosmetics that we use in order to appear presentable, better than we really are. To return to the heart means to go back to our true self and to present it just as it is, naked and defenceless, in the sight of God. It means looking within ourselves and acknowledging our real identity, removing the masks we so often wear, slowing the frantic pace of our lives and embracing life and the truth of who we are. Life is not a play; Lent invites us to come down from the stage and return to the heart, to the reality of who we are: a return to the heart and the truth." The prayer of St. Augustine places us in the right spirit for Lent: O Lord, our Lord, you have created us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.

Lent is indeed how God draws us home, as individuals. But, it is also a very communal journey. We never journey alone, no matter how "lonely" we may feel. We are always journeying together. Let us pray for each other on this journey, especially those who need and desire a change of heart on this pilgrimage to Easter joy.

**Ministers of the Word
Weekend 2nd / 3rd March**

Saturday 6pm

First Reading
Second Reading
Bidding Prayers

Sue
Mark
Karen

Sunday 10.00 am

First Reading
Second Reading
Bidding prayers

Alvina
Alona
Emmanuel

Church Cleaning

Week beginning :
25th February
3rd March
10th March

Resmi & Bismi
No clean
Anci & Shalini

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
Fast from pessimisms and be filled with hope.
Fast from worries and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
Fast from words and be silent and listen. (Pope

CONFESSIONS IN LENT

Fr Cyril is available to hear Confessions in Lent until 10 minutes before the Holy Mass begins on all days including the weekend Masses. Please feel free to make use the opportunity to experience the love & mercy of God.

Paschal Candle 2024

If you would like to sponsor our Paschal Candle 2024 (The Symbol of the Risen Lord) in Thanksgiving for the Blessings or in Loving Memory of your family members or friends, please speak to Fr Cyril . Thanks

Legion of Mary

On Mondays after Mass we have Rosary & Legion of Mary Prayer meeting. You are very welcome to join only for the Rosary or both. Congratulations to Justine and Shirely who made their promise as members of The Legion of Mary.
God Bless