

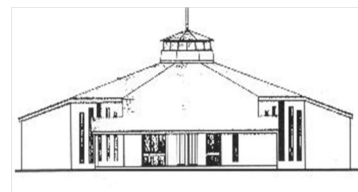
Holy Cross Catholic Community

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

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3rd March 2024 Second Sunday Lent

Lord, be Merciful to me a sinner

Reading Cycles: Sundays Year B Psalter Week 3

Day and Date	Mass Time	Intention	Recently Died
Saturday 2nd March First Mass of Sunday	6.00 pm	Eifron Emanuel 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 <i>Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord</i> <i>R. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in Peace. Amen</i>
Sunday 3rd March 3rd Sunday Lent	10.00 am	Pro Populo	
Monday 4th March Weekday 3rd week of Lent	9.30am	Mariam Joseph RIP Aleykutty Paily RIP	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.
Wednesday 6th March Weekday 3rd week of Lent	7.00pm	Shanghaman Gowribalan RIP	
Thursday 7th March Weekday 3rd week of Lent	9.30 am		
Friday 8th March Stations of the Cross & Mass	7.00 pm	Jean Thomas Birthday Blessings	
Saturday 9th March Weekday 3rd week of Lent	12 noon	Michelle Forrester RIP	
Saturday 2nd March First Mass of Sunday	6.00 pm	Jack & Rina Lydiard RIP Mary Thomas RIP	

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 £ 436

Many Thanks

Parish Hall available for hire.

Please contact on 01792586454

Stop making my Father's house a marketplace.

"Take these out of here!"

This you told the sellers of doves.
Then what space shall we reserve
in your Father's house, Jesus?

More room for love of God and our neighbour?
for all the world's suffering to make it all well?

Show us how. We see the signs that you
do this very day. Help us trust in your love.

Let all of us, brothers and sisters,
come together in the temple of
your body and learn how to
care for each
other.



"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 9th/ 10th March**

Saturday 6pm

First Reading
Second Reading
Bidding Prayers

Christine
Sue
Trish

Sunday 10.00 am

First Reading
Second Reading
Bidding prayers

Daniya
Ryan
Reymiele

Church Cleaning

Week beginning :

3rd March
10th March
17th March

No clean
Ancy & Shalini
No clean

"Let us return, brothers and sisters. Let us return to God with all our heart. During these weeks of Lent, let us make space for the prayer of silent adoration, in which we experience the presence of the Lord, like Moses, like Elijah, like Mary, like Jesus. Have we noticed that we have lost the sense of worship? Let us return to worship. Let us lend the ear of our hearts to the One who, in silence, wants to say to us: "I am your God – the God of mercy and compassion, the God of pardon and love, the God of tenderness and care... Do not judge yourself. Do not condemn yourself. Do not reject yourself. Let my love touch the deepest, most hidden corners of your heart and reveal to you your own beauty, a beauty that you have lost sight of, but will become visible to you again in the light of my mercy.""

**Funeral Arrangements of
Shanghman Gowribalan RIP**

Ritual Ceremony: 3rd March 7.30am Ty-
Hedd Funeral home

Tribute: 10 am Bishop Vaughan School

Cremation: 1 pm Llanelli Crematorium

There will be a special Holy Mass in our
church on this Wednesday 7 pm to
commemorate the life of Shanghman.

You are welcome to join to pray for his soul
and for his family.

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 Bill and Kasia
who made their promise as members of
The Legion of Mary. God Bless