

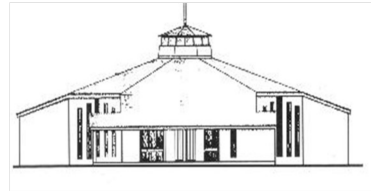
# Holy Cross Catholic Community

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

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**14th April 2024 Third Sunday of Easter**

**Reading Cycles: Sundays Year B Psalter Week 3**

Day and Date	Mass Time	Intention	Recently Died
<b>Saturday 13th April</b> <i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	<b>6.00 pm</b>	<i>David Capner RIP</i> <i>Kurt Carlsen RIP</i>	<p>All Souls whose names are entered in our Book of Remembrance and all victims of war &amp; violence Our family &amp; friends whose anniversaries occur around this week</p>
<b>Sunday 14th April</b> <i>3rd Sunday Eastertide</i>	<b>10.30 am</b>	<i>Donna and Shalini B Blessings</i>	
<b>Monday 15th April</b> <i>3rd week Eastertide</i>	<b>9.30am</b>	<i>M C Sisters Sp Intention</i>	<p><i>Eternal rest grant unto them</i> <i>O Lord</i> <i>R. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in Peace. Amen</i></p>
<b>Wednesday 17th April</b> <i>3rd week Eastertide</i>	<b>7.00 pm</b>	<i>Pam Phillips B Blessings</i>	
<b>Thursday 18th April</b> <i>3rd week Eastertide</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<i>Dr Adel &amp; Rosemary Get well</i>	
<b>Friday 19th April</b> <i>3rd week Eastertide</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<i>Helen Collins Sp Intention</i>	<p>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.</p>
<b>Saturday 20th April</b> <i>3rd week Eastertide</i>	<b>12.00 noon</b>	<i>Tommy Russel RIP</i> <i>Gwen Davies RIP</i>	
<b>Saturday 21st April</b> <i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	<b>6.00 pm</b>		

## Good Shepherd Sunday 21st April

World Day of Prayer for Vocations and to support The Priest Training Fund. The P T F supports those preparing for a life in Ministry, helping them through training and ordination. We depend on the generosity of people as there is no public funding for the years spent in seminary and so every pound raised truly matters. So please be generous to support next weekend. Envelops are at the back of the church for you take home. Thanks

## Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person,  
More considerate towards others,  
More honest with myself, more faithful to you.  
Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be.  
Help me find my true vocation in life and grant that through it I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others.  
Grant, Lord, that those whom you call to enter the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life, may have the generosity to answer your call, so that those who need your help may find it.  
We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

**Parish Bank Details for your Offering**

Name : Gendros Parish  
A/C NO: 90264630  
Sort Code 55 -61 -20  
Last weekend offering: £ 671  
Many thanks

**Ministers of the Word**

**Week beginning 20th / 21st April**

**Saturday**

First Reading Trish  
Second Reading Helen  
Bidding Prayers Sue

**Sunday**

First Reading Nathan  
Second Reading Nicole  
Bidding Prayers Anjelica

**Church Cleaning**

Week beginning :  
22nd—29th April Sigi & Smitha  
29th April—6th May No Clean  
6th—13th May Beena & Shiji

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

**Gift Aid Forms**

A big thank you to all who signed the Gift Aid forms. Those who signed the forms please pay your Sunday Offerings either online to our parish account weekly - monthly or take our Sunday offering envelop box and kindly let us know the number. If you don't do this we cannot claim your Gift Aid. Once again many thanks for your support, understanding and co operation. God bless.

*Touch me and see.*

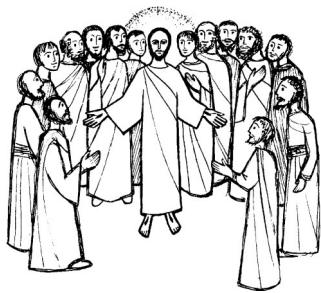
The disciples are surprised,  
no, amazed, awed!  
He is alive!

After  
death!

Christ, you let them feel and see  
your hands and feet,  
and you unlock their minds.

Oh Jesus, release our own minds. Let us see you  
in the beauty of sun and moon and stars,  
in the faces of the needy and forlorn,  
in all those risking lives to help,  
in the breaking of the bread,  
in loving our friends.

Let us find you a hundred ways, every day.



Are you in years 9-13?

Do you want to spend some time getting to know other young Catholics?

The Cardiff and Menevia Youth Council is offering you the opportunity for a few days away in beautiful St. David's, Pembrokeshire, to relax, pray, talk, walk, eat and have fun together.

July 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>. The cost £250 for four nights at St. David's Bunkhouses, including coach travel and all meals.

**Jesus' Parting Words**

How often do you think about the Paschal Mystery? Perhaps you have heard those words but do not fully understand what they are. What is the "Paschal Mystery?" The Paschal Mystery was what Jesus told the Apostles to be witnesses to. They were to be witnesses to others that Jesus came from the Father, suffered death for our sins, rose from the dead to conquer sin and then ascended into Heaven to invite us to follow. This is the most central message of our faith.

The Gospel passage today also says that Jesus "opened their minds to understand the Scriptures." Therefore, if we, like the Apostles, are to understand the Gospel and the central purpose of Jesus' life and our own lives, then we must allow Him to open our minds also. We must allow Jesus to reveal to us the Paschal Mystery, because it is not something we can comprehend or figure out on our own. Reflect, today, upon how clearly you understand the purpose of the life of Christ. Do you understand the mysteries of His human life, suffering, death and Resurrection? Do you understand how these truths of our faith must change you at your very core? And do you understand your duty to be a witness to these mysteries of faith to others? Sit with these questions and allow them to sink in deeply so that you may join the Apostles in both the gift of redemption and the call to evangelize the world.

***My saving Lord, Your life, death and Resurrection is the greatest gift ever given. Through this Paschal Mystery, we are set free from sin and become children of Your Father in Heaven. Open my mind to more fully understand this great gift and give me the grace I need to become Your witness to the world in need. Jesus, I trust in You.***