

Welcome to Holy Cross Church



**Newsletter for
Week beginning
Sunday 4th January 2026**

Epiphany

"The best present we can ever receive is Jesus"

8.30am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Parish Communion
6.00pm	Silent Prayer

Ministries at our worship this morning

Celebrant & Preacher – Revd Rob Harper
Readers – Tim – Isaiah 60: 1 – 6
Sue – Ephesians 3: 1 - 12

Intercessions – Geoff
Sidespeople – Val & Sue
Chalice – Tim and Darren

Loop System



Parish diary & Bible readings

Monday	1 John 3: 22 – 4: 6, Matthew 4: 12 – 17, 23 - end 6pm Evening Prayer 7pm Worship group
Tuesday	1 John 4: 7 -10, Mark 6: 34 - 44 1 – 3pm Companionship Club
Wednesday	9.45am - Holy Communion 1 John 4: 11- 18, Mark 6: 45 - 52
Thursday	1 John 4: 19 – 5: 4, Luke 4: 14 -22
Friday	1 John 5: 5 -13, Luke 5: 12 - 16
Saturday	1 John 5: 14 – end, John 3: 22 - 30
Epiphany	8.30am – Holy Communion 10.00am – Holy Communion 6.00pm – Silent Prayer Isaiah 42: 1 - 9 Acts 10: 34 – 43 Matthew 3: 13 – end



Happy New Year to you all

Prayer and care through the week

For those who have requested prayer

Robert; Reg, Irene, David, Joanne, Gary, Gail, Jill, Lyndsay, Cyril, Susie, Carole, Lisa, Alex, Dave, Jessie, Paula, Janice, Kurt, Wayne, Brenda, Sheila, and Sylvia.

For the recently departed and their families and friends

Jacqueline, Carol McHugh, Louise Bodker and Raymond Walker.

And for those whose anniversary occurs this week:

Phyllis Ivy Calvert, Amy Bray and Maurice Bird

Sunday	<u>Heavenly Father, we thank your kingdom values of love and forgiveness, may be always be ready to live them out. For the residents of Royds Avenue, Poplar Avenue, Bailey Court and Frisian Close.</u>
Monday	<u>For Sarah Mullally our new Archbishop of Canterbury.</u>
Tuesday	<u>For all who promote peace and unity.</u>
Wednesday	<u>For those with long term illnesses including:</u> Margaret Perry, Molly Head; Norma, Mary Hill, Doreen, Eileen; Glenis; Alan, Ian Holding, Bianca; Marjorie; Joyce, Michael; Janet; Julie; Gabbi, Anne and Edward Kasday, Robert, Julie & Neil West, Sue, Bob & Leslie Micklethwaite.
Thursday	<u>For our link parish of Kwangwa in Mara.</u>
Friday	<u>For children caught in webs of crime and exploitation.</u>
Saturday	<u>For our church to grow in faith hope and love.</u>

Hymns and Songs during worship

Before Service	Page 3 As with gladness men of old – info only, you don't have to sing
Preparation	Page 40 – O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
Entrance	Page 50 – The First Nowell
Gospel	Page 5 -Brightest and best
Offertory	Page 15 – Go tell it on the mountain
Communion	Page 27 – Like a candle flame
	Page 21 – In the bleak midwinter
	Page 28 – Little Jesus, sweetly sleep
Final	Page 14 – Good Christian men, rejoice

Please Note!



Birthdays: Fr Rob (on 9th)

House Groups: If you have further questions or a desire to look more deeply into our faith, ask Rob or Angela for details of our house group and prayer ministries.

The Ministry of prayer for healing and wholeness is available in this church. If you are in need of Christ's peace in any way then please ask the minister and a member of our ministry team will pray with you.

Coming Soon

Go in peace – pray for peace – wage a little peace and, above all, love one another.