



**Welcome to
Holy Cross**

**Newsletter for
Week beginning
Sunday 8th February 2026**

The 2nd Sunday before Lent

"But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness"

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

Ministries at our worship this morning

Celebrant and Preacher - Revd Rob Harper
Readers – Jenny – Genesis 1: 1 to chap 2: v3
Tim – Romans 8: 18 - 25

Intercessions – Jenny

Loop System

Sidespeople – Val & Sue

Chalice – Janet and Sylvia



Parish diary & Bible readings

Monday	1 Kings 8: 1 – 7, 9 – 13 Mark 6: 53 - end 6pm Evening Prayer 7pm Worship group
Tuesday	1 Kings 8: 22 – 23,27 – 30 Mark 7: 1- 13 1-3pm Companionship Club
Wednesday	9.45am - Holy Communion 1 Kings 10: 1 – 10, Mark 7: 14 - 23
Thursday	1 Kings 11: 4 - 13, Mark 7: 24 - 30
Friday	1 Kings 11: 29 - 32, 12.19 Mark 7: 31 - end
Saturday	1 Kings 12: 26 – 32, 13.33 to end, Mark 8: 1 - 10
Sunday	8.30am – Holy Communion 10.00am – Holy Communion 6.00 Silent Prayer Exodus 24: 12 to end, 2 Peter 1: 16 – end, Matthew 17: 1 – 9



Plastic sweet tubs wanted deadline 15th February
Please choose a day for the daytime Lent group

Prayer and care through the week

For those who have requested prayer

Robert; David, Joanne, Gary, Jill, Lyndsay, Cyril, Susie, Carole, Lisa, Alex, Pauline, Dave, Janice, Kurt, Christine, Sylvia, Frank, Stephen and Mavis.

For the recently departed and their families and friends

Raymond Walker, Sheila Stott and Diane Goodyear, Wayne, Brenda Nicholson and Les Allsopp.

And for those whose anniversary occurs this week:

Edith Richardson, Lilly-Marie Colley, Gladys Stock and Freda Kirk.

- Sunday** Heavenly Father, may our lives always reflect your love
and grace. For the residents of Siskin Close, Starling
Way, Keswick Drive and Lewin Grove.
- Monday** For Sarah Mullally the Archbishop of Canterbury.
- Tuesday** For all who promote peace and unity.
- Wednesday** For those with long term illnesses including:
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, Reg, Irene, Gail, Brenda, Bob
& Leslie Micklethwaite.
- Thursday** For our link parish of Kwangwa in Mara.
- Friday** For all the children in schools of our parish.
- Saturday** For our church to grow in faith hope and love, and new
people joining church congregations.

Hymns and Songs during worship

Before Service	170 - Give thanks with a grateful heart info only, you don't have to sing.
Preparation	378 – Jesus shall take the highest honour
Entrance	1251 – A rich young man came to ask of Christ
Gospel	590 – Seek ye first the kingdom of God
Offertory	1261 – Brother, sister, let me serve you
Communion	414 – Let us break bread together on our knees
	382 – Jesus, take me as I am
	979 – Draw me close to the cross
Final	870 – Jesus is the name we honour

Please Note!



Birthdays:

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 prayer for anything then please ask Rev Rob, Rev Angela, Darren or Moyra Swales and they will pray with you.

**Coming Soon
Lent Groups**

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