



**Welcome to  
Holy Cross**

**Newsletter for  
Week beginning  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**"No one can enter the kingdom of God  
without being born of water and spirit."**

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

**Ministries at our worship this morning**

Celebrant and Preacher - Revd Rob Harper  
Readers – Darren – Genesis 12: 1 – 4a  
Moyra – Romans 4: 1 – 5, and 13 - 17

Intercessions – Rob

Loop System

Sidespersons – Val & Sue

Chalice – Janet and Syliva



Fr Rob's phone numbers are: 01977 730049 and 07858979603

## **Prayer and care through the week**

For those who have requested prayer

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

For the recently departed and their families and friends

Raymond Walker, Brenda Nicholson and Les Allsopp,  
Sylvia Hewitt and Glenn Rollinson

And for those whose anniversary occurs this week:

Any known to you.

- Sunday            Heavenly Father, may our lives always reflect your love  
and grace. For the residents of St Andrews Road,  
Cumberland Road, St Ives Crescent and Scholes Road.
- Monday           For all new in faith.
- 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.

## Parish diary & Bible readings

- Monday Daniel 9: 4 – 10, Luke 6: 36 - 38  
**6pm Evening Prayer**  
**7pm Worship group**
- Tuesday Isaiah 1: 10,16 - 20, Matthew 23: 1 - 12  
**1-3pm Companionship Club**
- Wednesday 9.45am - Holy Communion  
Jeremiah 18: 18–20, Matthew 20: 17-28
- Thursday Jeremiah 17: 5 - 10, Luke 16: 19 - end
- Friday Genesis 37: 3 – 4, 12 – 13 and 17 -28  
Matthew 21: 33 – 43, 45 - 46
- Saturday Micah 7:14-15,18–20,Luke 15:1–3,11-end
- Sunday** 8.30am – Holy Communion  
10.00am – Holy Communion  
6.00 Silent Prayer  
**Exodus 17: 1-7, Romans 5: 1 – 11**  
**John 4: 5 – 42**
-  Brenda Nicholson's funeral at Pontefract Crematorium at 12.20pm on 9<sup>th</sup> March, all are welcome.
  -  Lent savings for our link parish in Kwangwa
  -  Lent groups will be on all Wednesdays in March at 7pm and all Thursdays in March at 1pm all at the Vicarage on The Mount
  -  Please bring in raffle prizes for the Castleford Young Musicians evening on 20 March 2026

## Hymns and Songs during worship

<b>Before Service</b>	<b>500 – O Holy Spirit, breath on me</b> info only, you don't have to sing.
<b>Preparation</b>	<b>241 – Holy Spirit we welcome you</b>
<b>Entrance</b>	<b>611 – Spirit of holiness</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	<b>613 – Spirit of the Living God</b>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>33 – And can it be that I should gain</b>
<b>Communion</b>	<b>609 – Spirit of God, show me Jesus</b>
	<b>289 – I receive You O Spirit of love</b>
	<b>610 – Spirit of God divine</b>
<b>Final</b>	<b>261 - I am the bread of life</b>

### Please Note!



**Birthdays:** Caroline McLeigh, Jennifer Dance, Jacob Gamble, Glenis Calveit and Hayley Johnson

**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**  
**Castleford Young Musicians evening 20 March 2026**

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