

# PILGRIMS OF HOPE: CELEBRATING JUBILEE 2025 & 120 YEARS OF HOLY CROSS PARISH

IMPORTANT EVENTS AT HOLY CROSS [The following missions do not include everything we do at Holy Cross]

## St Mary's Council Meeting

25 Feb  
30 Sep

## St Joseph's Council Meeting

04 March  
07 Oct

## St Paul's Council Meeting

11 March  
14 Oct

## Baptism Preparation

01 February  
29 March  
17 May  
19 July  
20 September  
15 November

## Season Of Lent in 2025

[Lenten Retreats are held in our church after 9 am Mass until 11.30 am Mass]

**Week 1 (March 9th, 2025):** Confronting Temptation against material possession [Almsgiving]

**Week 3 (March 23rd, 2025):** Embracing Forgiveness: Ask for forgiveness and extend it to others.

**Week 4 (March 30th, 2025):** Showing Compassion: Act with love and generosity towards others.

## Lenten retreats via Zoom at 9 pm

1. **The Desert Experience:** Encountering God in Solitude and Silence [Thursday, 13 March]
2. **Metanoia:** A Journey of Conversion and Transformation [Thursday, 20 March]
3. **The Paschal Mystery:** Journeying with Christ to the Cross and Resurrection [Thursday, 27 Mar]
4. **The Beatitudes:** A Pathway to Holiness [Thursday, 03 April]
5. **Discipleship:** Following Jesus in the World Today [Thursday, 10 April]

## Advent retreats via Zoom at 9 pm

1. **Prepare the Way:** A Journey of Hope (Thursday, 04 December)
2. **Voices in the Wilderness:** Listening for God's Call (Thursday, 11 December)
3. **Mary's Fiat:** Embracing God's Will (Thursday, 18 December)

## IMPORTANT DAYS TO REMEMBER

Ash Wednesday - 05 March

**Bishop Pat Lynch's** Mass - 09 March

St Patrick's Day Celebration – 17 March

**Bishop Paul Mason's** Retreat & Mass—23 March

Palm Sunday – 13 April

Lenten Confessions: 14 April

Easter – 20 April

Confirmation Celebration – 4 May

Holy Communion Celebration – 10 May

**Archbishop John Wilson's** Mass: 25 May

International Day - 15 June

Readers and EMHC Retreat - 21 June

Parish Feast - 14 Sep

Christmas Fayre - 07 Dec

Advent Confessions: 22 December 2025

## CONTINUING FORMATION

**Seeds of the Word:** 23 Feb & 12 Oct

[Post Baptism Retreats for parents]

**Sprouts of Faith:** 22 June & 28 Sep

[Post Holy Communion Retreats for children and Parents]

**Branches of the Vine:** 13 July & 09 Nov

[Post Confirmation Retreats for Confirmed young people]

**Lights to the Nations:** TBS

[Post RCIA Retreats]

## HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

**Epiphany of the Lord:** Sunday 5th January  
(transferred from 6th January)

**SS Peter and Paul:** Sunday 29th June

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** Friday  
15th August

**All Saints:** Sunday 2nd November  
(transferred from 1st November)

**Christmas Day:** Thursday 25th December

## MOVEABLE FEASTS

**Ash Wednesday:** Wednesday 5th March

**Palm Sunday:** Sunday 13th April

**Good Friday:** Friday 18th April

**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 20th April

**The Ascension of the Lord:** Thursday 29th May

**Pentecost:** Sunday 8th June

**The Most Holy Trinity:** Sunday 15th June

**The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ:** Sunday 22nd June

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe:** Sunday 23rd  
November

## PILGRIMAGES IN THIS JUBILEE YEAR OF PILGRIMS OF HOPE

**Feb 22:** Coach Pilgrimage to Diocesan Holy Places

**June 02—05:** Fatima

**June 7:** Walsingham

**July 26:** Coach Pilgrimage to Diocesan Holy Places

**Sep 16 to 19:** Pilgrimage to Vatican