

# Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup> March	6.00 pm*	Holy Souls	(MHT)
Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup> March	8.30 am	People of the Parish	(MHT)
		10.30 pm	Ray Nullmeyers RIP	(MHT)
		4.00 pm	Alan Begley RIP	(CTK)
		6.00 pm	Holy Souls	(OLSOS)
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30 am	Holy Souls	(MHT)
Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup> March	6.00 pm*	Hugh Hone RIP	(MHT)
Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup> March	8.30 am	Deacon Brian Everall RIP	(MHT)
		10.30 pm	Brendan Sheehan RIP	(MHT)
		4.00 pm	Miriam Keily RIP	(CTK)
		6.00 pm	People of the Parish	(OLSOS)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated before or after Mass, or on request.

*\*First Mass of Sunday*

## Collections

Please note all cheques to be made payable to:  
PRCDTR Newquay, Perranporth and St Agnes RC Parish

<b>MHT</b> Collections: <b>£284.20</b> Dec. Standing Orders: <b>£1,173.33</b>	<b>CTK</b> Collections: <b>£110.11</b> Dec. Standing Orders: <b>£70.00</b>	<b>OLSOS</b> Collections: <b>£55.52</b> Dec. Standing Orders: <b>£455.00</b>
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Thank you for your generosity and ongoing support!

<b>Our Churches</b>	<b>Most Holy Trinity (MHT)</b> Lower Tower Road, Newquay, Cornwall, TR7 1LS	<b>Lanherne Convent</b> Chaplain's House, St. Mawgan, Newquay, Cornwall, TR8 4ER
	<b>Christ the King (CTK)</b> Wheal Leisure Road, Perranporth, Cornwall, TR6 0EZ	<b>Our Lady Star of the Sea (OLSOS)</b> Trevaunance Road, St. Agnes, Cornwall, TR5 0SE

Our Parish is part of the Diocese of Plymouth: Registered Charity No. 213227



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Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday

Sunday Year B

Weekday Cycle II

*“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.”*

There are many examples in literature of people who, through the course of the story, move from despair to hope, selfishness to generosity, darkness to light. Rarely do they do this entirely through their own efforts. Usually someone is rooting for them, encouraging them, or coaxing them towards something better. This persistent support empowers them, not only to do better for themselves, but also to do better for others.



life of poverty, neglect and addiction, where circumstances seem to make bad outcomes inevitable.

In many cases, the path is not straight. Life is messy, and ups may be followed by downs. Characters resist support. Or they accept support but nevertheless encounter hurdle after hurdle. As in real life, there may be no fairy-tale ending. But it is usually clear that goodness makes a difference, and that even one good person can transform how another experiences the world. Indeed, those involved in young people's services know that having "one good adult" is crucial in helping a young person to flourish. And surely

this continues to apply in adulthood. Scrooge, after all, was no longer young when he accepted love from others in a way that enabled him to bring love into the world in turn.

In Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*, Scrooge is shown a way of living that differs from his self-absorbed existence. He sees what might be if he let joy, light and generosity into his world. He responds, reluctantly at first, but later with uncurtailed joy. In Barbara Kingsolver's *Demon Copperhead*, several good people refuse to give up on a boy born into a

In John's Gospel, it is Jesus who has the power to transform the lives of those he encounters. This applies in the sometimes abstract, theological

sense of salvation and in the concrete sense of how people live their lives.

John describes how people “have shown they prefer darkness to light because their deeds were evil”. They have avoided the light because they fear it will expose their wrong actions. In the first reading, we hear of “infidelity”, “shameful practices”, and the repeated resistance of the people when God sent “messenger after messenger” until it seemed “there was no further remedy”.

But as Paul tells us in the second reading, God persisted. “God loved us

with so much love that he was generous in his mercy.” Even when we “were dead through our sins”, God brought us to life with Christ. Paul is clear, however, that we are not saved by anything we alone have done. We are saved through grace and faith, gifts from God given in Christ Jesus. He is that one good person who empowers us “to live the good life”. He is the one who John says was sent by God to save the world, empowering us to live by the truth “so that it may be plainly seen that what [we] do is done in God”.

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### Prayers for the Sick

**Thank you for your prayers for those who are sick and/or housebound.** We pray for Fr Martin Stone, Canon Philip Dyson, John Harnett, Joyce Allen, Evelyn Morris, Pat Byrne, Kathleen Birch, Molly Taylor, Rebecca May, Heather Anderton, John Cain, Mary Cain, Lily Callaghan, Patrick Hinder, Pat Hinder, Vicky Law, Justine Hocking, William Walton, Sabina Mason and John Lavelle at this time. If you would like to add yourself or a close family member then please email the Parish Office.

### Poor Boxes

Thank you for your donations of **£52.00** in the Poor Boxes. The funds raised enable us to reach out to those in need.

### Newquay - Kneelers & Pews

Please can you leave the kneelers down during Mass. For health and safety reasons, they are only to be lifted for cleaning purposes. Thank you.

### Stations of the Cross

Please note that the Stations of the Cross will be held throughout Lent every Friday morning at 10.30am at Most Holy Trinity, Newquay.

### Readers for Easter Triduum

We are looking to organise readers for this year's Easter Triduum. If you would like to read then please give your name into the Parish Office so we can arrange our rotas.

### Holy Week & Easter Services 2024

Please take with you this week's insert detailing the times and locations of our Holy Week and Easter Services which will be celebrated by Fr. Maurice O'Mahoney. We thank him for his support.

### Easter Offering Envelopes

These are available as usual from the back of church. Thank you for your support, generosity and continued prayers not only at Easter but, indeed, throughout the year.

### EMERGENCY CONTACTS

#### Sick Calls/Visits

If you require a priest in an emergency in the absence of Fr Martin, here are the following numbers for some of the more nearby priests:

Bodmin - Fr Paul Keys  
01208 72833

St Austell - Fr Michael Brandon  
01726 73838

Truro - Fr John Gilbert  
01872 272291

#### Fr Martin's Health

Fr Martin had another appointment with a consultant this week and is awaiting another scan on 18<sup>th</sup> March. In addition to an inflamed bursa and frozen shoulder, which he will receive an injection for, the consultant believes his has torn his tricep. This will be confirmed with the scan and a plan of action will be put in place to enable him to get back to full health and back to ministry. Thank you for your patience. Fr Paul Keys and Fr. John Guest have kindly agreed to cover for this weekend. We thank them for their support.

#### World Day of Prayer

Thank you to all who supported the World Day of Prayer at Christ the King Church, Perranporth recently. We raised a grand total of £157.11 and your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you to all who enabled this event to take place.

#### Brian Fury RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Brian who died recently, may he rest in peace. We remember his family in our prayers at this time.

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

### Entrance Antiphon

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her.  
Be joyful, all who were in mourning;  
exult and be satisfied at  
her consoling breast.

### Liturgy of the Word

**First Reading:** 2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23

#### Responsorial Psalm:

O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I  
remember you not!

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 2:4-10

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!  
God loved the world so much  
that he gave his only Son:  
everyone who believes in him has eternal life.  
Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

**Gospel:** John 3:14-21

### The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, ...**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, (All bow)** suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

### Communion Antiphon

Jerusalem is built as a city bonded  
as one together.  
It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the  
Lord, to praise the name of the Lord.