



# The Catholic Parish of Newquay, Perranporth and St. Agnes

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Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023  
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Year A  
Weekday Cycle I

## Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> July		Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)	
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Mary Clarke RIP	
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> July		Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	People of the Parish	
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Defence of our Freedoms and Humanity	Music Group
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Judy Clark RIP	
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	Michael Fletcher RIP	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July		No Mass	
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July		Feria	
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Fr. Gilmour McDermott (Ordination Anniversary)	
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July		Feria	
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Fr. Kristian Paver (Intention)	
Our Lady Star of the Sea	9.30 am	Private Intention	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July		Feria	
Christ the King	9.30 am	Judy Clark RIP	
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July		Feria	
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Thanksgiving for all who volunteer in the Parish	
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July		Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)	
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Sofia Dyson (Intention)	
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July		Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	People of the Parish	
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Thomas Joyce RIP	Choir
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Bart Van Maren RIP	
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	Mary Moore (Intention)	

*“Imagine a sower going out to sow.”*

Talk of climate change has made us all more aware of how the weather affects our lives, in a way that farmers have always been. What we have come to learn is that there is a key relationship between rain and what happens to the earth - and to us. Floods can be devastating, but a drought is a terrible thing. In recent times, after years of failed rains, the people of Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia have faced catastrophe with conditions akin to famine in the worst-hit areas. But as well as the rains, good harvests depend on the condition of the earth where seeds are planted. Gardeners, as well as farmers, know that, and there's a whole industry of gardening aids to help the soil, from composts to liquid feeds and weedkillers.



Today's Gospel reading highlights a timeless truth about people - that they love stories, and a narrative can communicate a message far more powerfully than abstract thought. Jesus was a master storyteller and often used parables to teach people. On this occasion, like the prophet Isaiah in the first reading, he uses what is essential to people for their survival - the conditions for growing crops - to make his point. He knows that people aren't always good listeners. He has to find a way to get across vital teaching.

What he is saying here is that it is not the quality of your basic material (the seeds), or the weather (whether it rains or not) that matters - it is where the seeds are planted that really counts. We often use metaphors about seeds in our everyday language - for example, we speak of sowing an idea, or sowing seeds of doubt - and here the seeds are what God offers us by way of faith. But what happens to that faith is down to where the seed is planted. The seed that falls by the path has no earth in which to grow - something falling by the wayside will not grow at all. Matthew records that Jesus explains that this is one that has turned away from God's love.

There are other pitfalls ahead, Jesus explains, if the seed falls where there are patches of rock. As any gardener knows, if seed is to germinate, it needs good quality soil where the roots will take hold. This is akin to someone whose response to God is superficial: they are full of good intentions, but if they encounter any problem, they are gone. The roots that are grown enable a plant to endure; but without roots, it will not last. Even more vivid is the account of the seed among the thorns: this is like someone entangled in what the world tempts us with. But a seed in rich soil will flourish, just as will a person who hears the word of God, listens and understands it.

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### **Prayers for the Sick**

**Thank you for your heartfelt prayers for all those who are sick.** We pray especially for Pat Byrne, Deacon Brian Everall, Molly Taylor, Dominic Keogh, Heather Anderton, John Cain, Kathy Cain, Ann Cain, Patrick Hinder, Brian Fury, Justine Hocking, William Walton, Sabina Mason at this time. (If you would like to add yourself or include a close family member in the prayers for the sick then please email the Parish Office.)

### **Communion Under Both Kinds**

We have started distributing Communion under both kinds during our weekend Masses as well as at many of our weekday Masses. Thank you to all those who have enabled this to take place. **We hope to include an insert next week exploring some of the questions that have been raised.** Thank you for your ongoing support.

### **CCTV (Newquay)**

CCTV is installed in Most Holy Trinity and covers the outside and main hallway. This was in response to our Health & Safety inspection. Thank you.

### **An invitation to Survivors of Abuse**

The diocese would very much appreciate hearing from people who have a lived experience of abuse, so that we can involve them in the work we are doing to support survivors. We would welcome the opportunity to hear survivors' feedback and ideas so that we can improve our response to those who have been hurt by abuse. If you think you might be able to help us in this work, or if you would like to find out more about what we are doing in the diocese to support survivors, please contact: Sophie Scagell (Survivor Support Caseworker) on 01364 645436 or email [sophie.scagell@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:sophie.scagell@prcdtr.org.uk)

### **Smart Parking**

We have now changed the management company of our car park from Parking Eye to Smart Parking. New payment machines and signage have now been fitted. **Please note that we have transferred the vehicle registration numbers that we currently have listed with Parking Eye to Smart Parking.** There is no need to re-register your vehicles in the Parish Office. Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support with this.

## **Volunteers - Getting Involved Newquay, Perranporth and St. Agnes**

Everyone in our parish community has something to offer and we value everyone's gifts, encouraging you to use your gifts wherever possible.

While many of our groups haven't got back up and running there are many ways you can still get involved in parish life. Examples of this are:

- At Mass where you might volunteer to be a Welcomer, or a Reader or be involved as a musician or sing in the choir.
- You might feel called to get involved in First Communion Classes as a Catechist.
- On one of our Parish Councils
- Helping in the sacristy.
- Care of the parish buildings.
- Social outreach through such things as CAFOD or Food Banks.
- Lead the Rosary or another popular devotion in one of our Churches.
- Kitchen Rota (in Newquay)

Feel free to speak Fr Martin or contact Jodie, in the Parish Office. With your help we can begin to re-establish many of the practices that we used to have prior to COVID. Thank you for your support.

### **Poor Boxes**

Thank you for your prayerful support in enabling us to reach out to those people most in need. **Thank you for your kind donations this week of £47.77.**

### **Second Collection - Sea Sunday**

We thank you for your kind support and generous donations of £394.46 for the Second Collection for Sea Sunday.

### **Newquay Food Bank**

We continue to collect for our local food bank in Newquay. They no longer need donations of pasta and baked beans, as they have a very large supply of these products, but donations of tinned desserts are very much needed. Please place all food items in the box **under the First Aid Kit**. Thank you.

### **Baptism**

We welcomed into God's family Rory who was baptised at Most Holy Trinity Church, Newquay last weekend.

### **Afternoon Club**

Please note that the Parish Afternoon Club is no longer running at Most Holy Trinity Church, Newquay.

## **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **Entrance Antiphon**

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;  
I shall be filled with the vision of your

### **Liturgy of the Word**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 55:10-11



**Responsorial Psalm:**

Some seed fell into rich soil and produced its crop.

**Second Reading:** Romans 8:18-23

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:  
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Matthew 13:1-9

### **Communion Antiphon**

The sparrow finds a home,  
and the swallow a nest for her young:  
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.  
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,  
for ever singing your praise.

### **Refreshment/Water**

For those who have left their water bottles at home and are in need of a drink before or during Mass, then please help yourself to the jug of water and glasses at the back of church - please hand in all used glassed to reception. Thanks.

### **Youth Matters**

Plymouth Diocese Catechetical Summer Camps 2023 Junior Camp (Years 3 - 6) 30<sup>th</sup> July to 4<sup>th</sup> August and Senior Camp (Years 7 -10) 6<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> August Grangehurst (Buckfast Abbey). St. Petroc's Camp (years 11-12) 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> August, St. Rita's, Honiton. Camp fee £230.00. To book, please follow link: <https://forms.office.com/e/pJQuB8Rhk5> Email [summercamps@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:summercamps@prcdtr.org.uk)

### **Data Protection - GDPR**

We have recently been called upon to undertake additional training regarding how to protect ourselves from becoming victims of online fraud and ensuring that personal information does not fall into the hands of unscrupulous individuals. Part of this naturally includes how we protect the data we store. We continue to ensure that we follow good practice at all times when it comes to safeguarding your personal information, whatever form that may take.

## Sacramental Programmes & Preparation

**PARISH REGISTRATION** – New Parishioners to our Parish, please consider completing a “Parish Records” form and returning it to the Office.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** – See Fr. Martin

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** - We are now looking forward to 2024 but need help with additional catechists. If you are able to help then please speak with Fr Martin.

**CONFIRMATION** – Year 9 upwards. If interested please speak with Fr Martin.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION** – Please contact Fr Martin (or the priest in the parish where you reside) at least six months prior to your proposed wedding date. This is to enable any paperwork to be completed. This is especially the case if the marriage is to take place outside the parish boundary.

**RCIA PROGRAMME/JOURNEY IN FAITH** – If you are interested in knowing more about the Catholic church then please contact Fr Martin.

## Collections

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

### MHT Collection:

£415.82

### June Standing Orders

£1,261.33

### CTK Collection:

£138.11

### June Standing Orders:

£141.00

### OLSOS Collection:

£31.22

### June Standing Orders

£540.00

*Thank you for your generosity and ongoing support which allows our extended parish to grow and flourish!*

## Sick Calls/Visits

**If you require a priest in an emergency in the absence of Fr Martin, here are the following numbers for the various parishes in Cornwall (Plymouth Diocese).**

Bodmin ☎ 01208 72833 - Fr Ciaran McGuinness • St Austell ☎ 01726 73838 - Fr Michael Brandon

Falmouth ☎ 01326 312763 - Fr Brian Kenwick (Dean of Cornwall)

Penzance ☎ 01736 362619 - Fr Philip Dyson • Newquay ☎ 01637 851697 - Fr Martin Stone

Truro ☎ 01872 272291 - Fr John Gilbert • ☎ 01637 861752 Lanherne Convent - Canon Scott Smith

### Our Churches

#### Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church

Lower Tower Road,  
Newquay, Cornwall, TR7 1LS

#### Lanherne Convent

Chaplain's House, St. Mawgan,  
Newquay, Cornwall, TR8 4ER

#### Christ the King

Wheal Leisure Road,  
Perranporth, Cornwall, TR6 0EZ

#### Our Lady Star of the Sea

Trevaunance Road,  
St. Agnes, Cornwall, TR5 0SE

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