



The Catholic Parish of Newquay, Perranporth and St. Agnes

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Sunday 19th March 2023
Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

Sunday Year A
Weekday Cycle I

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 18 th March		Fourth Sunday of Lent (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Valerie Lavelle RIP
Sunday 19 th March		Fourth Sunday of Lent
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	Private Intention
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Ray Nullmeyers RIP
Christ the King	4.00 pm	People of the Parish
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	Private Intention
Tuesday 21 st March		Lenten Feria
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Holy Souls
Wednesday 22 nd March		Lenten Feria
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Honora Ashcroft RIP
Our Lady Star of the Sea	9.30 am	Private Intention
Thursday 23 rd March		Lenten Feria
Christ the King	9.30 am	Stanley Thomas Godwin RIP
Friday 24 th March		Lenten Feria
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Susan Webber (Intention)
Saturday 25 th March		Fifth Sunday of Lent (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Sofia Dyson (Intention)
Sunday 26 th March		Fifth Sunday of Lent
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	Private Intention
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Thomas and Josephine Joyce RIP
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Stanley Thomas Godwin RIP
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	People of the Parish

**“The man said, ‘Lord, I believe’,
and worshipped him.”**

Setting out on a journey, the first thing many people do is enter a postcode into the satnav or into a phone. The route is quickly calculated with a few alternatives and a time of arrival is given. Although it looks very clear, we know that when we set out there are many events that can happen that may delay the journey or even make it impossible. There is always a gap between the plan and the reality, which we can never predict.

Life is even more unpredictable. There are so many matters that are out of our hands: the complexity of relationships, sickness, accidents, death, to name but a few. What we know, in faith, is that God loves us and sent God’s Son to walk with us, and that the Spirit will guide us every day and night. As we make our Christian journey, the Holy Spirit is the helper who deepens our loving friendship with Jesus and guides our decisions as well as giving us courage. The Holy Spirit is our teacher, like Jesus in the scriptures, and leads us to see God more clearly, love God more dearly and follow God more nearly.

The Gospel account of the healing of the blind man shows how the man grows in his understanding of the identity of Jesus. The blind man returns from the Pool of Siloam with sight. He can see the beauty of the world for the first time and recognise faces. His neighbours are astonished. Who is this man who has healed him? The man tells them



that it was “The man called Jesus.” Who is Jesus? The Pharisees tell the blind man, who has now been given sight, that Jesus cannot be from God. The man tells them that he realises Jesus is a prophet. More people dispute with the man and ask whether he was truly blind or just pretending, and they also ask his parents. Then they drive him away. Jesus finds the man and asks him if he believes in “the Son of Man”. The man looks at Jesus and says, “Lord, I believe.” By talking to Jesus, the man has

come to a deeper understanding and knows that Jesus is not only a man, not only a prophet, but also the Lord. He is the Messiah who has been sent by God, the one of whom the prophets spoke. He comes with authority from God. He is the Son of God. The man has come from darkness to new sight. He has also made a deeper journey in faith from understanding that he was cured by “the man called Jesus” to knowing and believing that he was healed by the Son of God. He has come to walk in the light as a follower of Jesus. We, too, have

been given the gift of faith and walk in the light as followers of Jesus.

The Spirit of God is at work in today’s first reading. We hear of Samuel finding the young shepherd David, who is chosen by God to become king. He is a surprising choice, the youngest and least in his family. This reading helps us understand more about Jesus, who is from the House of David, born in Bethlehem. He is a shepherd and king of God’s kingdom, not of this world.

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Prayers for the Sick

Thank you for your heartfelt prayers for all those who are sick. We pray especially for Molly Taylor, Dominic Keogh, Heather Anderton, John Cain, Kathy Cain, Ann Cain, Patrick Hinder, Brian Fury, Justine Hocking, William Walton, Sabina Mason, Fr. Kieran Kirby and Bishop Emeritus Christopher Budd 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.)

Sick and/or Housebound

If you have a family member sick at home, in hospital or in a nursing home and they would like a visit please contact the Parish Office. Visitations can only be made on request of family members. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Perranporth Food Bank

A box is available as you enter church in Perranporth to help support Perranporth Community Food Banks. Thank you for your support with any dried/tinned provisions.

Christ the King, Perranporth (Outdoor Table Top Sale)

There will be a table top sale on Monday 1st May in Christ the King’s church car park from 10am to 4pm. If any Parishioners from our parish would like to reserve a space to sell their goods, it will be £10 per space for a car and table. Please contact Aileen Barry on 01872 396492 mobile 07563617654 or Jodie at Newquay on 01637 851697.

Lenten Devotions

- † 5.00 pm Saturday - Exposition (MHT)
- † 7.00 pm Tuesday - Exposition (CTK)
- † 10.00 am Wednesday - Exposition (OLSOS)

During Exposition Fr Martin will be available for individual confessions.

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.

Silence in Church

We read in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) of the importance of silence in our celebrations. This allows us quiet moments, for prayer, meditation and thanksgiving during various parts of the Mass. **We have been asked by a number of parishioners, and especially as we journey through Lent, to seek to reclaim some silence before and after our Masses.** Though not mentioned in the GIRM, there is a long practice of maintaining silence within the body of the church after Mass. Some churches erupt in noise once Mass is over. This can spoil the atmosphere of prayer that is conducive and appropriate to personal prayer after Mass. While we do not want to inhibit the communal joy and sharing that is a huge part of our celebrations we also want to respect those individuals that are seeking a few minutes of quiet prayer at those times. Thank you for your support.

Cleaner

We are looking for a new cleaner. Please see the notice board and the Parish Website for more information.

CAFOD Family Fast Day - Lent Appeal

Thank you for your generous donations to CAFOD's Lent Appeal. Your gifts will ensure that CAFOD's local experts can support families with the skills and tools they have asked for to fight the climate crisis in Bangladesh. **Our Parish raised a grand total of £586.50. Thank you so much.**

We thank Simon Giarchi for visiting last weekend and talking about CAFOD at all of our Masses. Simon will visit us again on Monday 24th April at Most Holy Trinity to meet with everyone who are interested in finding out more about CAFOD and being part of the parish CAFOD group - please see the insert for more information.

British Summer Times begins

Please note that the clocks go forward one hour on Sunday 26th March.

Missio Boxes

Thank you to those who donate to Missio. Please hand your red boxes into the parish office for counting and distribution of funds. **We thank you for your kind support and donations of £53.44**

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 £35.00.**

Fourth Sunday of Lent (LAETARE SUNDAY)

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: I Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13

Responsorial Psalm:

*The Lord is my shepherd:
there is nothing I shall want.*



Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Gospel: John 9:1,6-9,13-17,34-38

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

The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed,
I saw and I believed in God.

Newquay Food Bank

We continue to collect for our local food bank each week at Most Holy Trinity, Newquay. They recently got in touch and informed us that 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 such as rice pudding and tinned fruit are very much needed. Please place all food items in the box **under the First Aid Kit**. Thank you for your much needed support.

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 looking to determine the number of children who would like to make their **First Communion in 2023**. If your child is in year 3 or above then please speak with Fr Martin at your earliest convenience.

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 are looking to get married) at least six months prior to your proposed wedding date. A contribution of £175 is requested for the Church for weddings with a Registrar Fee of £55.00 (flowers and organist are by personal arrangement).

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:

£285.25

February Standing Orders

£1048.33

CTK Collections:

£75.47 and £38.90

February Standing Orders:

£55.00

OLSOS Collections:

£31.50 and £47.55

February Standing Orders

£415.00

Thank you for your generosity 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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