

The Catholic Parish of Newquay, Perranporth and St. Agnes

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Sunday 22nd January 2023 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Year A Weekday Cycle I

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 21 st January		Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Katherine Gregory RIP
Sunday 22 nd January		Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Most Holy Trinity		NO MASS
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Honora Ashcroft RIP
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Fr. Brian Stevens (Intention)
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Tuesday 24 th January		St. Francis de Sales
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Holy Souls
Wednesday 25 th January		Conversion of St. Paul
Most Holy Trinity		NO MASS
Our Lady Star of the Sea	9.30 am	Betty Ramsey RIP
Thursday 26 th January		St. Timothy BP and St. Titus BP
Christ the King	9.30 am	Mark Robinson RIP
Friday 27 th January		Feria
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Holy Souls
Saturday 28 th January		Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Sally Baird RIP
Sunday 29 th January		Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Most Holy Trinity		NO MASS
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Gil and Joyce Allen (Intention)
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Special Intention
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	People of the Parish

Please note that until further notice there will be no 8.30 am Mass on Sundays or 9.30 am Mass on Wednesdays in Newquay. We keep Fr Brian and Althea in our prayers.

"Happy is the man who does not lose faith in me."

This time last year, the United Nations annual conference on Climate Change - COP 26 - had just concluded in Glasgow. While world leaders met inside the summit, climate campaigners - many of them Christian - campaigned for climate action outside. Near the front gates, a banner of Christian Climate Action read "Stop Climate Chaos Deaths" and below it was a

line-up representing seven dead bodies covered with white sheets labelled "War", "Famine", "Pollution", "Skin Cancer", "Drought", "Suicide", "Floods". The drama highlighted that the climate crisis and associated issues were already having a profound impact on communities and ecosystems around the world.

However, the same group also organised a "Coat of Hopes" which travelled with campaigners walking to the conference from London. The patchwork garment appeared at a Global Day of Action in Glasgow and conference delegates were invited to wear the coat to feel the weight of responsibility of the hopes, fears and prayers of ordinary people across the UK and the world for the environment and for vulnerable communities. Sewn onto the coat were more than three hundred patches produced by local church groups. The patches showed grief for loss of species, remembrances of landscapes, prayers that hearts could expand to welcome refugees displaced by climate breakdown, and also positive dreams of carefree joy in nature and living in peace. The Coat of Hopes displayed bees on flowers,

birds feeding their young, and phrases like "Protect our home", "Waste is a design fault" and "Save our children's future".

Today's reading from Isaiah is full of joy. This third Sunday of Advent is called "Gaudete" Sunday and that is why we light the pink candle. "Gaudete" means "rejoice". The prophet inspires thoughts of a world of hope, a world of God's sure and strong promise to lift

those who are bowed down. All creation will be fruitful, reflecting God's love. In the Gospel we sense a feeling of anticipation growing among the people. This is picked up in the Psalm and the second reading, which emphasise God's faithfulness to us. It is difficult during the trials of our lives to continually praise God in all the

circumstances we experience. But that is what faith is and we must be patient. Faith is bigger than our today and filled with the promise of tomorrow.

In the Gospel reading we hear that John the Baptist is so important because he urges people to turn from sin and towards God to experience God's mercy. Such challenges are crucial for any reform or authentic transformation of people or groups. That is why we focus on John the Baptist every Advent. However, Jesus' teaching goes way beyond John the Baptist. Christmas always renews our commitment to bring God's revolutionary love into a world that so desperately needs it. It is the Lord who brings love and healing into our lives.

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Prayers for the Sick

Thank you for your heartfelt prayers for all those who are sick. We pray especially for Fr. Brian Stevens, Hilary McCarthy, Molly Taylor, 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 in church to help support Perranporth Community Food Bank. Thank you for your support with any dried/tinned provisions.

Parish Database Forms

Thank you to those of you who have recently completed our new Parish Database Forms and handed them to Jodie in the Parish Office. If you have not yet done this then please collect a form, complete it and return it as soon as possible. (If you received a Christmas card from Fr Martin then you are on our database.) Forms are available at each of our churches on request. Thank you for your support with this as it is important that we have up to date information and the information that we hold is what you have provided.

Newquay Food Bank

We will be collecting for our local food bank each week at Most Holy Trinity. Please place all food items in the box **located under the First Aid Kit.** Thank you for your much needed 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 £24.72.

Rosary

Most Holy Trinity in Newquay pray the Rosary at 9.00am before all weekday Masses. St Agnes pray the Rosary at 5.30pm before Sunday evening Mass. All are welcome!

Christ the King - Perranporth - CAR PARK

The re-surfacing works has now been completed in the car park at Christ the King. Thank you for your patience and understanding and specific thanks to Amber and Danny who have helped with moving this project forward. We now aim, in the not too distant future, to have new lines drawn to help facilitate parking. Thank you.

Valerie Lavelle RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Valerie Lavelle who died on 3rd January, and whose funeral service takes place on 30th January at 12.00pm at Penmount Crematorium. May she rest in peace and may we also remember her family in our prayers at this time.

Personal Thanks!

We seem to have had another busy year with lots of things happening and, thankfully, a sense that we are finally moving back to a more normal times.

I wish to take this moment to offer my sincere thanks to you all for your support and understanding during the last few years and, especially at this time, for the many cards and kind words of support and encouragement. It is encouraging during these times. I thank God for each of you at this special and joyful time, and for the support you have given since my arrival in the Parish. Thank you and may God Bless you all!

Fr Martin

New Caretakers

Given the challenges of trying to maintain 3 church sites and move forward with various projects we have recently appointed 2 part time caretakers. Hopefully, over the next few weeks and months you will see them around. They aim to begin on 16th January.

Free Car Parking

Saturday from 5.00 pm – 8.00 pm and Sunday 8.00 am - 1.00pm

For all other times, all visitors must go to the Reception in the Parish Office to register your vehicle and avoid a parking charge notice. If you have any issues with Parking Eye please come to reception first.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon:

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 8:23-9:3

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my light and my help

Second Reading: I Corinthians 1:10-13,17

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom and cured all kinds of sickness among the people.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17

Communion Antiphon:

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

Choir Practice (Newquay)

If you enjoy singing and would like to join the choir in Newquay, please come along to Most Holy Trinity on Thursday 2^{nd} February at 10.30 am for our next practice. All welcome.

Gift Aid & Planned Giving Envelopes

We thank those who have used OGift Aid Envelopes who are now giving by **Standing Order**. Given that many of our banks have now closed and the challenges and additional expenses associated with dealing with cash, it makes our admin very much easier, less time consuming and less expensive. Thank you. If you are Gift Aided and have changed your address then please make sure we have your up to date details.

In Case of Snow/Adverse Weather Conditions

While we are committed to fulfilling our Sunday obligation there are sometimes moments when, due to adverse weather conditions, we would be advised to stay at home. If the Met Office ever issues a red weather warning then we would repeat this advice and ask you to remain safely at home. Thank you.

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:

£223.20

October Standing Orders

£988.33

CTK Collections:

£44.96

October Standing Orders:

£55.00

OLSOS Collections:

£47.55

October Standing Orders

£325.00

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 201208 72833 - Fr Ciaran McGuiness • St Austell 201726 73838 - Fr Michael Brandon Falmouth 201326 312763 - Fr Brian Kenwrick (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

Christ the King

Wheal Leisure Road, Perranporth, Cornwall, TR6 0EZ

Lanherne Convent

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

Our Lady Star of the Sea

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

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