



The Catholic Parish of Newquay, Perranporth and St. Agnes

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Sunday 26th February 2023
First Sunday of Lent

Sunday Year A
Weekday Cycle I

Mass Times & Intentions

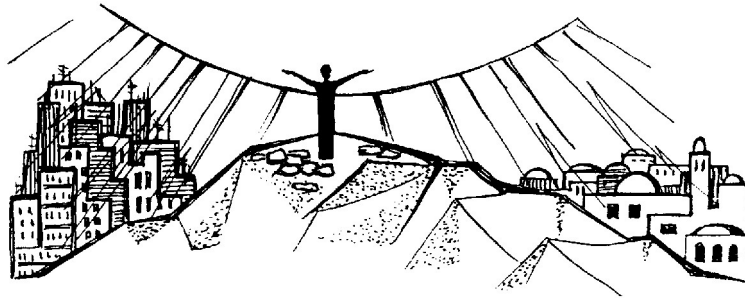
Saturday 25th February		First Sunday of Lent (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Stephen Martin RIP
Sunday 26th February		First Sunday of Lent
Most Holy Trinity		NO MASS
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Felix Colaço RIP
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Private Intention
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Tuesday 28th February		Lenten Feria
Most Holy Trinity		NO MASS
Wednesday 1st March		St. David - Patron of Wales
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Anne Batchelor RIP
Our Lady Star of the Sea		NO MASS
Thursday 2nd March		Lenten Feria
Christ the King		NO MASS
Friday 3rd March		Lenten Feria
Most Holy Trinity		NO MASS
Saturday 4th March		Second Sunday of Lent (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Mary Joyce (Intention)
Sunday 5th March		Second Sunday of Lent
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	People of the Parish
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Peter Hocking RIP
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Bishop Christopher Budd (Intention)
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	Fran Freeman (Intention)

“All the kingdoms of the world.”

Those of us of a certain age are often struck by the skill with which young people get to grips with new technology. Let's suppose we've got ourselves a new television, one of those that talks to the internet and is connected to a satellite dish. It comes with an instruction manual that seems to have been translated badly out of Chinese. When we've failed to figure out how it all works, what we need is a teenager. They'll know what to do, and will be able to show us - and being shown is much better than being told or reading the instructions.

As we enter upon our Lenten journey, our instructions are clear: pray, fast and give alms. We are told this in our liturgy, and we read it in the scriptures and the teaching of the Church. But who better than the one who wrote our instructions - the Word of God himself - to actually show us what to do?

In today's Gospel, we see Jesus living out the instructions we have received in the way that he resists the temptations of Satan. “Man does not live on bread alone”: we don't fast during Lent because we want to make ourselves miserable - Lent is, after all, a joyful season - but to direct our minds and bodies towards the love of higher things, the things of heaven. Notice how the devil begins his temptation of Jesus by saying, “If you are the Son of God...” In other words, take advantage of being special; but Jesus' reply places himself in perfect solidarity with his fellow human beings: “man” - in other



words, every human being - does not live on bread alone. In the temptations in the wilderness, we see Jesus living out what St Paul says about him in the letter to the Philippians: he does not cling to his equality with God, but empties himself, taking the form of a servant. Notice that all of this happens in the wilderness. In the scriptures, the wilderness or desert is a place of temptation, of trial, but it is also a place of revelation, where prophets like Moses and Elijah encounter the living God. As we read about Jesus' temptations, we are encountering God living as a human being, tempted in all things as we are, and showing us how to live without sin.

To live like this is to walk the path that leads to heaven, and so we must focus on God. Not putting God to the test, we must instead worship God, serving God alone. The goal of Jesus' earthly life was to lead us to heaven, and the goal of our lives, and of our Lenten observances, is to follow in the path that he has trodden for us. When Satan offers Jesus all the kingdoms of the earth, Jesus rejects that offer because he is laying claim, on our behalf, to something much greater: the kingdom of heaven. This last temptation of Jesus points towards the very end of St Matthew's Gospel, where Jesus and the apostles find themselves not in the desert but on a high mountain - another place of revelation. Here Jesus says, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.” By walking the way of the cross, Christ has won, for himself and for us, far more than Satan ever pretended to offer.

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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 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.

Turkey & Syria Earthquake Appeal

Thank you for your prayerful support last weekend in enabling us to reach out to those people most in need. Thank you for your kind and generous donations of £549.62.

CAFOD Family Fast Day - Lent Appeal

This Lent CAFOD is supporting families with the skills and tools they have asked for to fight the climate crisis in Bangladesh. Family Fast Day is on Friday 3rd March and we are all asked to eat simply, pray, and give what we can. Envelopes will be given out at all Masses on 25th/26th February and collected the following weekend. You can also give online at cafod.org.uk/lent. Please also support our soup lunch on 3rd March, 12-1 pm in the Church Hall at Most Holy Trinity. Donations to CAFOD's Lent Appeal.

Welcome Back Fr Brian & Althea

We welcome back Fr. Brian to celebrate Mass on Wednesday 1st of March at 9.30 am. He will also be celebrating Mass on Sunday 5th March at 8.30 am. Fr. Brian and Althea would like to pass on their gratitude and thanks to the whole Parish for your prayers and goodwill. Thank you.

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 £23.93.**

Parish Youth Music Club

We are also in the process of looking to open a Parish Youth Music group. If you are interested in learning to play a guitar, singing and generally have an interest in music, then please let the Parish Office know. We are yet to confirm a start date and timings, but a suggestion is Tuesday evenings from 6.00 pm until 7.30pm at Most Holy Trinity - we will let you know the start date when we know.

Annual Leave - Weekday Mass

Fr. Martin will be away on annual leave from 28th February to 10th March. There will be no weekday Mass during this time, apart from on Wednesdays at Most Holy Trinity, Newquay at 9.30am, which will be celebrated by Fr. Brian Stevens. Weekend Masses will be celebrated by Fr. David Mead, and we thank him for his kind support.

World Day of Prayer

St. Michaels Mission Church, Perranporth on Friday 3rd March at 11.00 am. All Welcome (donations of Chinese food appreciated).

First Sunday of Lent

Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9.3:1-7



Responsorial Psalm:

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Man does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes
from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

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

One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

Baptism

We welcome into God's family Maddox Turner who was Baptised last weekend.

Lenten Devotions

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

During Exposition, on his return from leave, Fr Martin will be available for individual confessions. As with last year Stations of the Cross will be available and this year we hope to also offer Stations based on the film the Passion.

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:

£228.50

January Standing Orders

£1048.33

CTK Collections:

£67.40

January Standing Orders:

£55.00

OLSOS Collections:

£38.97

January 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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