



The Catholic Parish of Newquay, Perranporth and St. Agnes

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Sunday 27th February 2022
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Year C
Weekday Cycle II

Saturday 26 th February		Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	James and Elizabeth Elsby RIP
Sunday 27 th February		Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	People of the Parish
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	John, James and Tony Elsby RIP
Christ the King	4.00 pm	McMahon Family Intention
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	Private Intention
Monday 28 th February		Feria
Christ the King	3.00 pm	Funeral Mass for Miriam Keily RIP
Tuesday 1 st March		St. David - Patron of Wales
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Holy Souls
Wednesday 2 nd March		Ash Wednesday
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Honora Ashcroft RIP
Our Lady Star of the Sea	9.30 am	Private Intention
Christ the King	6.00 pm	Private Intention
Thursday 3 rd March		Thursday after Ash Wednesday
Christ the King	9.30 am	Private Intention
Friday 4 th March		Friday after Ash Wednesday
Most Holy Trinity		Holy Souls
Saturday 5 th March		First Sunday of Lent (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Mary Clarke RIP
Sunday 6 th March		First Sunday of Lent
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	Colin Vango RIP
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	People of the Parish
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Private Intention
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	Private Intention

“For a man’s words flow out of what fills his heart.”

There is an interesting story about St Francis de Sales and his imaginative approach to the giving of penances as part of the sacrament of reconciliation. A certain person came to Francis and confessed to the sin of gossiping about their neighbour. Francis told the person to take a bag of feathers, maybe a pillow, up to the top of the church tower and to scatter the contents into the air; then the person was to report back. The penitent dutifully carried out the confessor’s instructions. When the person then returned, Francis told them to go out, collect all the feathers and put them back into the bag. Somewhat stunned, the individual concerned pleaded that this was impossible, that the wind would have carried the feathers far and wide. The saint then said that this is what had happened to all the things the person had said about others: whether the remarks were true or not did not matter; the damage to the other person could never be undone, because words cannot be taken back once they are spoken. We can apologise, say that we did not really mean what we said and claim that we have been misunderstood, but we can never fully retract the words as if we had never uttered them.

It is perhaps worth bearing in mind that, if we enjoy listening to gossip about other people, the person telling us the fascinating details is likely to be

talking about us to others in turn.

The Wisdom writing in the Bible deals not so much with what we would call doctrine as with human life. Today’s reading from Ecclesiasticus, which forms the backdrop to today’s Gospel extract, concentrates on how a person’s speech reveals what sort of character that person really is. Luke presents us with a series of statements of Jesus that warn his hearers to be careful in their judgement of other people. The example of the plank and the splinter is an instance of exaggeration or hyperbole to make the point: being concerned about a minor shortcoming in someone else can blind us to our own, probably greater failings.



The second section uses the idea that we can most easily recognise what type of tree we are looking at if we see what kind of fruit it bears. We might not be sure from the plant’s shape or its leaves, but its fruit leaves no room for doubt. Jesus, the Wisdom teacher, makes his point by using his hearers’ powers of observation in regard to the natural world to make his point. Just as the fruit infallibly reveals the species of the tree, so a person’s speech identifies what that person’s inner self is really like. This is borne out in modern psychology, for example, when someone “accidentally” makes a mistake and uses the wrong word, such as, perhaps, reading out during the Psalm at Mass, instead of “Before whom shall I shrink?” the words “Before whom shall I drink?” This is what we commonly refer to as a “Freudian slip”.

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Prayers for the Sick

Thank you for your heartfelt prayers for all those who are sick. We pray especially for Brian Fury, Justine Hocking, William Walton, Sabina Mason, Dominic Keogh, Brian Bickle, Rita Lawless and Bishop Christopher Budd at this time. (If you would like to include a close family member in the prayers for the sick then please email the Parish Office.)

Parish Pastoral Councils

Given the rich diversity within our extended parish, and bearing in mind the various challenges we are all facing at this time, but nevertheless seeking to move forward, we are exploring the possibility of having a local Pastoral Council in each of our communities. If you are interested or have any suggestions then please email or speak with Fr. Martin as we seek to move forward together. Thank you for your ongoing support and suggestions.

Fr Martin

COVID - Guidelines - UPDATE

There have been a number of directives that we received recently as our lives gradually move back to normality. We have, in many ways, moved back to pre-COVID practices during the Mass with communion at the normal time. However, as mentioned previously we still have a number of parishioners who are naturally still concerned, have had a number of parishioners contract COVID and so will still request face masks to be worn during our Masses and when inside. This is out of a sense of support to those who are still fearful, or want to be cautious, and also recognises that some of our parishioners have chosen not to be vaccinated. I’m sure you will appreciate we are keen to ensure that Churches continue to be places where people feel safe to gather to worship. Thank you for your ongoing support and for your selflessness with this matter.

Fr Martin

CAFOD Family Fast Day - Lent Appeal

This Family Fast Day on Friday 11th March, we ask you to eat simply and give generously to support communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition. You can donate using a CAFOD envelope which will be available with your newsletter at Masses on 5th and 6th March or by visiting the CAFOD website (cafod.org.uk/Lent)

Afternoon Club - Newquay

We aim to re-open this social group at Most Holy Trinity Church Hall on Tuesday 8th March from 2pm until 4pm, and aim to meet fortnightly thereafter, this will include tea and a chat and board games will be available. If you would like to help then please speak with the Parish Office.

Health and Safety Review

We have recently undertaken a Health and Safety review in Newquay, subsequent to the works in the church being completed. This was undertaken by the Diocese's new Health & Safety rep and included a Fire Risk assessment. (We will be undertaking one in Perranporth and St Agnes in due course.)

In undertaking this review it has come to light that we are in need of First Aiders in each of our churches. If you have any experience in this area and would like to help please pass on your details to the Parish Office. Thank you again for your support in help us move forward.

Volunteers Needed

Now that we are moving back to normality, we would be very grateful if there are any volunteers who wish to help with various roles, such as reading, welcoming, First Holy Communion classes, flower arranging, cleaning the church, helping to serve refreshments, etc. (If something isn't on this list then please let us know.) If you are interested then please speak with Fr. Martin after or before any Mass or speak with Jodie in the Parish Office. Thank you.

Sunday Morning Refreshments

The Parish Hall and kitchen at Most Holy Trinity is open for refreshments and cakes every Sunday after the 10.30am Mass. All welcome to join us for tea, coffee and slice of cake.

World Day of Prayer - Perranporth

This year it is being held at the Methodist Church, Ponsmere Road, Perranporth on Friday 4th March 2022 at 10.30am to which all are welcome. There will be food and drink provided after the service.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon

The Lord became my protector.
He brought me out to a place of freedom;
he saved me because he delighted in me.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8

Responsorial Psalm:

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

Prayer for the Synod

May our synodal preparations
inspire people to dream
about the church we are called to be,
to make hopes flourish,
to stimulate trust,
to bind up wounds,
to weave new and deeper relationships,
to learn from one another,
to build bridges,
to enlighten minds and
restore strength to our hands
for our common mission.

We trust in your Spirit who journeys with us.

Communion Antiphon

I will sing to the Lord who has been
bountiful with me,
sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

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Sacramental Programmes & Preparation

PARISH REGISTRATION – New Parishioners to our Parish, please hand your details into the Office.

BAPTISM PREPARATION – See Fr. Martin

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022 – We are finalising the number of children who will be making their First Communion in June 2022. 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: £338.48

**January Standing Orders:
£867.33**

CTK Collections: £63.62

**January Standing Orders:
£30.00**

OLSOS Collections: £69.20

**January Standing Orders:
£165.00**

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

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

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