



The Catholic Parish of Newquay, Perranporth and St. Agnes

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Sunday 30th July 2023

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Year A

Weekday Cycle I

Mass Times & Intentions

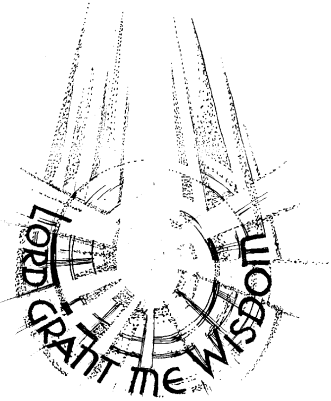
Saturday 29 th July		Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)	
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Fred Houghton RIP	
Sunday 30 th July		Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	Deacon Brian Everall (Intention)	
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	People of the Parish	<i>(Music Group)</i>
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Judy Clark RIP	
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	Michael Fletcher RIP	
Monday 31 st July		NO MASS	
Tuesday 1 st August		St. Alphonsus Liguori	
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Bernard Maher (Intention)	
Wednesday 2 nd August		Feria	
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Honora Ashcroft RIP	
Our Lady Star of the Sea	9.30 am	Private Intention	
Thursday 3 rd August		Feria	
Christ the King	9.30 am	The Barberio Family (Intention)	
Friday 4 th August		St. John Mary Vianney	
Most Holy Trinity	9.30	Special Intention	
Saturday 5 th August		The Transfiguration of the Lord (Vigil)	
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Alan Clarke (Intention)	
Sunday 6 th August		The Transfiguration of the Lord	
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	Holy Souls	
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Pat Jones and Eddie Watts (Intention)	<i>(Choir)</i>
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Sabina Mason (Intention)	
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	People of the Parish	

“The kingdom of heaven is like...”

Inhabitants of areas around the Indian Ocean have dived for pearls for almost four thousand years. Experienced divers are able to free-dive to depths well beyond the safe limits for normal scuba divers. In Japan, for more than one thousand years, many of these divers have been women, known as *ama* or “sea women”. These women, who also dive for food, are revered even today for their courage and perseverance, though their numbers are declining. However, in most cultures diving for pearls has often been the work of poor people, and sadly the financial rewards of their efforts usually went to those who were already well off. Looking for pearls is a dangerous task, though if someone is lucky enough to find one that is valuable and be able to keep it, the effects could be life-changing.

We speak of people who possess the gift of wisdom as being able to offer “pearls of wisdom”. King Solomon in our first reading today, though young, in asking the Lord for a “heart to understand how to discern between good and evil”, is rewarded by God with “a heart wise and shrewd” as none before him or after him will possess. God had a purpose for Solomon: he was chosen by God to lead the people of Israel. Our second reading today reminds us that God also has a unique purpose for each one of us. This purpose is that we are chosen to become “true images” of Christ, and children of God.

Each of us is uniquely called to be a son or daughter of



God our Father, and we are invited to live out our Christian vocation as brothers and sisters in Christ. In comparing the kingdom of heaven to a treasure hidden in a field, or a pearl of great price, Jesus reminds us that the kingdom of heaven is both something to be sought after and something that requires wisdom and perseverance to attain. As with those who dive for pearls, those of us in search of the kingdom of heaven may find that we have to plumb depths within ourselves in search of courage, faith and a future with God as our Lord and guide. We may be called to sacrifice the lesser “treasure” or “pearls” in our lives so that we can rejoice in the greater gifts that Christ offers. Like those who sift the haul that is brought ashore by fishers or divers, our lives, our hearts and minds can be full of many things, but not all of them will lead us forward as we search for God in our lives. In fact, some of them may even be an obstacle for us in our journey towards peace, love and joy.

We might say that it requires “the wisdom of Solomon” to be able to see what is of real value in our lives. We need to seek the treasure that leads us to love God and to love one another. Jesus has promised us the kingdom of God; this is his promise to those who are poor, to those who are merciful, to peacemakers, to those who seek justice for others. In these words of Christ, we have the signposts that point us in the direction of the “treasure” of the kingdom of heaven. These are the kingdom values, and we may need to “sell” or let go of less valuable things that lay claim to our time and our way of life if we want to truly possess God’s kingdom.

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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

Having been distributing Communion under both kinds for a number of weeks we have included in this week’s newsletter an insert exploring some of the questions that have been brought to us. A renewed thank you to those who have shown their support and enabled this to take place.

CCTV (Newquay)

CCTV is installed in Most Holy Trinity and covers the outside, office and main hallway. This was in response to our Health & Safety concerns and has already proved useful in a recent case of vandalism.

Youth Matters

Plymouth Diocese Catechetical Summer Camps 2023 Junior Camp (Years 3 - 6) 30th July to 4th August and Senior Camp (Years 7 -10) 6th to 11th August Grangehurst (Buckfast Abbey). St. Petroc’s Camp (years 11-12) 14th to 18th 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

Data Protection - GDPR

We have recently been undertaken 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.

Annual Leave

Jodie is away on annual leave until 31st July and the Parish Office will be closed. Thank you.

World Day Against Trafficking in Persons

The 30th July is the annual World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. The aim of the day is to raise awareness of trafficking and to call upon governments, law enforcement, public services and society to improve their efforts to prevent trafficking by identifying and supporting victims. The theme this year is to, 'Reach every victim of trafficking, leave no one behind'.

For more information about trafficking and modern day slavery, and how to notice the signs that this is taking place please visit: <https://www.unseenuk.org/about-modern-slavery/spot-the-signs/>

If you would like support, or you are concerned about someone else, please contact:

The Safeguarding Office – Call 01364 645430 between Monday to Friday, 9:00am to 4:30pm.

Unseen – A UK charity that provides safe houses and support in the community for survivors of trafficking and modern slavery.

24/7 Modern Slavery and Exploitation

Helpline: 08000 121 700

Website:

<https://www.unseenuk.org/working-with-survivors/>

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 £53.40.**

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

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.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon

God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5,7-12



Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, how I love your law!

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-46

Communion Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and never forget all his benefits.

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. We are seeking to move forward with various initiatives but without your help this will not always be 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. 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.

National Day of Prayer & Fasting for Life

On Monday 14th August please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed. For more information contact the Good Council Network - 020 7723 1740.

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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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - This takes place each week before (allowing at least 15 minutes prior to the start of Masses) or after any of our celebrations. Reconciliation is available on Saturday evenings from 5.15pm to 5.45pm and on request.

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:

£320.99

June Standing Orders

£1,261.33

CTK Collection:

£232.11

June Standing Orders:

£141.00

OLSOS Collection:

£93.50

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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