

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday	2 nd March	6.00 pm*	John Cowie (Intention)	(MHT)
Sunday	3 rd March	8.30 am	Holy Souls	(MHT)
		10.30 pm	People of the Parish	(MHT)
		4.00 pm	Alan Begley RIP	(CTK)
		6.00 pm	Leslie Vickers RIP	(OLSOS)
Wednesday	6 th March	9.30 am	Holy Souls	(MHT)
Saturday	9 th March	6.00 pm*	Holy Souls	(MHT)
Sunday	10 th March	8.30 am	People of the Parish	(MHT)
		10.30 pm	Ray Nullmeyers RIP	(MHT)
		4.00 pm	Alan Begley RIP	(CTK)
		6.00 pm	Holy Souls	(OLSOS)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated before or after Mass, or on request.

**First Mass of Sunday*

Collections

Please note all cheques to be made payable to:
PRCDTR Newquay, Perranporth and St Agnes RC Parish

MHT Collections: £277.99 Dec. Standing Orders: £1,173.33	CTK Collections: £62.81 Dec. Standing Orders: £70.00	OLSOS Collections: £70.50 Dec. Standing Orders: £455.00
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Thank you for your generosity and ongoing support!

Our Churches	Most Holy Trinity (MHT) Lower Tower Road, Newquay, Cornwall, TR7 1LS	Lanherne Convent Chaplain's House, St. Mawgan, Newquay, Cornwall, TR8 4ER
	Christ the King (CTK) Wheal Leisure Road, Perranporth, Cornwall, TR6 0EZ	Our Lady Star of the Sea (OLSOS) Trevaunance Road, St. Agnes, Cornwall, TR5 0SE

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Sunday 3rd March 2024
Third Sunday of Lent

Sunday Year B
Weekday Cycle II

“Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father’s house into a market.”

Everywhere we go, we are bombarded with messages to buy. Advertising hoardings loom over our streets, at bus stops and train stations. Adverts pop up on our computer screens, as we scroll through our phones or as we stare at the television. Hawkers loiter outside major tourist attractions like the Eiffel Tower. Museums and art galleries have their shops.

We have been conditioned to consume. An experience often only seems valuable if we have a souvenir to help us to remember it. Our worth is too often measured in the possessions that we have accumulated, regardless of the consequences to our earth, or to those who are exploited in the manufacturing, sale or purchase of these goods.

Those who have the power continue to

prop up a system that benefits a few. There is no escape for most of us, who are trapped in this cycle as we try to navigate our way through life as best we can.

This is not a new phenomenon as we can see in today’s Gospel.

Even the Temple has been turned into a place of commerce. Animals are being sold for sacrifice. Money changers are welcoming pilgrims from all over the place and changing their money so that they can buy what they need to worship.



And yet, Jesus drives all of these people out of the Temple. Why? Does he feel that people should not be able to get what they need to offer the appropriate sacrifice? Surely not.

Here in the Temple, we have a captive audience. People who need certain items, and people who can provide them. The situation is ripe for exploitation. There is nothing to stop

the moneychangers and the pigeon-sellers from charging whatever they want, no matter what the people can afford. For pilgrims and other worshippers to give glory to God, they must take part in this system that is designed to take advantage of them. Instead of helping people to draw closer to God, the merchants' motive was personal profit and gain.

Not only this, but the area where the traders had set up was the place set aside for Gentiles (non-Jews) to pray. How could they concentrate on their prayer and worship while surrounded by the hubbub of this marketplace?

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Prayers for the Sick

Thank you for your prayers for those who are sick and/or housebound. We pray for Fr Martin Stone, John Harnett, Joyce Allen, Evelyn Morris, Pat Byrne, Kathleen Birch, Molly Taylor, Rebecca May, Heather Anderton, John Cain, Mary Cain, Lily Callaghan, Patrick Hinder, Pat Hinder, Vicky Law, Brian Fury, Justine Hocking, William Walton, Sabina Mason and John Lavelle at this time. If you would like to add yourself or a close family member then please email the Parish Office.

Poor Boxes

Thank you for your donations of **£39.00** in the Poor Boxes. The funds raised enable us to reach out to those in need.

Newquay - Kneelers & Pews

Please can you leave the kneelers down during Mass. For health and safety reasons, they are only to be lifted for cleaning purposes. Thank you.

This is what Jesus is taking a stand against. He could not allow the exploitation of those who were trying to draw closer to God. He could not accept the hollow gestures, the lip service to religion being offered by those benefiting from this exploitation. He could not have earthly priorities preventing all people from coming to know God.

Instead, he turns the tables, prophesies the destruction of the sanctuary and proclaims that he will raise it all up again in three days.

Stations of the Cross

Please note that the Stations of the Cross will be held throughout Lent every Friday at 10.30am at Most Holy Trinity, Newquay.

Health and Safety Audits

We have a legal obligation to make certain changes in each of the churches so that we are compliant with the Diocesan Health and Safety Policy and Procedures. Please do not be offended if items that have been purchased/donated to the Parish over the years have to be removed or replaced. This is a requirement and, ultimately, is for everyone's safety. Thank you.

Lenten Devotions

We are looking to see what Devotions (Exposition, Stations of the Cross etc) we might be able to offer across our extended parish community. If you would like a particular devotion and, importantly, are willing and able to help then please give your suggestions to the Parish Office or Fr Martin. Thank you.

CAFOD

Thank you for your generous donations to CAFOD's Lent Appeal and to everyone who supported our soup lunch on Friday 24th February at Most Holy Trinity. **Our Parish raised a grand total of £544.60 Thank you so much. Please continue to keep the work of CAFOD in your prayers.**

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Sick Calls/Visits

If you require a priest in an emergency in the absence of Fr Martin, here are the following numbers for some of the more nearby priests:

Bodmin - Fr Paul Keys
01208 72833

St Austell - Fr Michael Brandon
01726 73838

Truro - Fr John Gilbert
01872 272291

Fr Martin's Health

Fr Martin had another scan this week and has been signed off sick awaiting a further hospital appointment on Tuesday this week. The consultant thinks that he might have broken a bone and is considering sending him for an MRI scan. It is hoped that he will then have a clearer plan of action to enable him to get back to full health and back to ministry. Thank you for your patience.

Fr Paul Keys and Fr. John Guest have kindly agreed to cover for this weekend. We thank them for their support.

Henwood Funerals

74 Edgcombe Avenue, Newquay 01637 851199
info@henwoodfunerals.co.uk

Third Sunday of Lent

Entrance Antiphon

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

Responsorial Psalm:

You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:13-25

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
I am the resurrection and the life,
says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will never die.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Gospel: John 2:13-25

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 sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.