



# The Catholic Parish of Newquay, Perranporth and St. Agnes

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Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday Year A  
Weekday Cycle I

## Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December		Second Sunday of Advent (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	Sean Ward RIP
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> December		Second Sunday of Advent
Most Holy Trinity	8.30 am	Holy Souls
Most Holy Trinity	10.30 am	Brian Hughes RIP
Christ the King	4.00 pm	Valentino Giovannone RIP, Giacinto Barberio RIP, Alice Giovannone RIP
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December		Feria
Most Holy Trinity	12.00 pm	Funeral Service of Kevin Lewis RIP
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December		St. Ambrose
Most Holy Trinity	9.30 am	Brenda Cowie (Intention)
Our Lady Star of the Sea		NO MASS
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December		Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Christ the King		NO MASS
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December		Feria
Most Holy Trinity		NO MASS
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> December		Third Sunday of Advent (Vigil)
Most Holy Trinity	6.00 pm	John Cowie (Intention)
Sunday 11 <sup>h</sup> December		Third Sunday of Advent
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	Sabina Mason (Intention)
Our Lady Star of the Sea	6.00 pm	David Fahy (Intention)

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during Advent

Saturdays - 5pm in Newquay (except 10<sup>th</sup> December), Tuesdays - 5.30pm in Perranporth, Wednesdays - 10am in St Agnes. During Exposition there will be opportunity for individual confession. Thank you.

**“If you are repentant, produce the appropriate fruit.”**

The story goes that someone once asked the Pope what would he do if he looked up in the sky and saw Christ descending from heaven in glory, with all the angels heralding his second coming as the world comes to an end. After thinking for a moment, the Pope said, “Look busy.” You sometimes see the words “Jesus is coming, look busy” on bumper stickers too. The joke is not just that there’s no point trying to fool Jesus, but that when the second coming is here, the time for busyness is past. To say the least, big changes are coming! But there can be a comfort in routine, and when big changes come along there is always a temptation to keep our heads down and focus on “business as usual”.

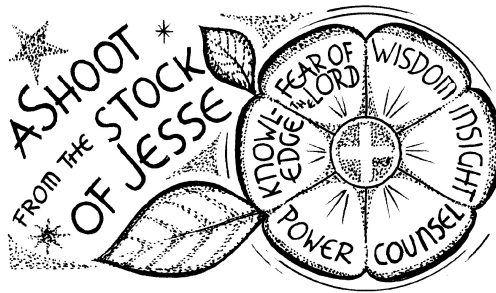
This is especially so when the change that’s coming threatens a situation that we’ve grown comfortable with. Perhaps we have got used to certain perks or privileges. Imagine a shake-up like this, maybe at work or at school, in your family life perhaps... everyone else seems happy about it, but what about you? It’s easy to imagine how we might smile and go along with it, while secretly being determined not to get knocked off our perch, not to let go of our comfortable life.

John the Baptist’s preaching took place in the desert, the wilderness. In the Old Testament, the wilderness is an in-between place, a place of journeying. The people of Israel entered it through

the Red Sea when they escaped from Egypt, a place of slavery; but it was not their final destination: this was to be the Promised Land, and to enter that land they had to cross the River Jordan. This is why the Baptist performed his ministry there: to show that by repenting of their sins the people could at last truly enter that land. Whatever side of the river they lived on, their true homeland was nowhere other than with God in heaven.

But were they really willing to make that journey? John seems sceptical when the Pharisees and Sadducees come to him for baptism, and warns them of the danger of presumption. Perhaps they were coming to be baptised just because John’s movement was popular, and they didn’t want to seem out of touch with the latest religious fashion. They were, after all, the leaders and opinion-formers of the Jewish people, and here was a popular movement they couldn’t afford to ignore. They would let

themselves be immersed in the water, but then go back home to carry on fighting among themselves for power and influence, their hearts and minds unchanged. But this makes a mockery of baptism, which is supposed to be an outward sign of our belonging to God’s coming kingdom. That kingdom is what Isaiah promises us in our first reading, a kingdom of peace that the world cannot give. For those unwilling to live in such a land, to be gathered into God’s barn, the alternative is a fire that will never go out: carrying on as they are is not an option.



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### **COVID - UPDATE**

**Thank you to those who continue to wear face masks during our celebrations and think about the welfare of others.** However, in seeking to move back to a more normal practice Fr Martin and Fr Brian will now only wear a mask during the distribution of communion. You will appreciate we are keen to ensure that our Church **remains a place where people feel safe to gather.** Thank you for your ongoing support and selflessness with this matter.

### **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.

### **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!

### **Prayers for the Sick**

**Thank you for your heartfelt prayers for all those who are sick.** We pray especially for Catherine Linehan, Molly Taylor, Heather Anderton, John Cain, Kathy Cain, Patrick Hinder, Brian Fury, Justine Hocking, William Walton, Sabina Mason, Dominic Keogh, Brian Bickle, Rita Lawless, Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Mary Bradwell, Nikita Quinn, Fr. Kieran Kirby and Bishop Emeritus 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.)

### **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 £51.74**

### **Afternoon Club - Newquay**

We meet every Tuesday from 2pm until 4pm. Please join us for tea and a chat and board games.

## **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**.

There are certain items they are in need of:

- ✓ Tinned meals: chilli con carne, meat balls, mince, stew. Tinned sweet corn, carrots and peas. Tinned rice pudding, custard or fruit. Noodles or couscous packets. Angel Delight or Jelly. Tea, coffee, long life milk, cereals, biscuits, jam, peanut butter.

### **THEY DO NOT CURRENTLY NEED:**

- × Pasta, pasta sauce or baked beans.

Thank you for your much needed support.

## **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.

## **Annual Leave - Weekday Mass**

Fr. Martin will be away on annual leave from 5<sup>th</sup> December to 17<sup>th</sup> December. There will be no weekday Mass during this time, apart from on Wednesdays in Most Holy Trinity, Newquay at 9.30am, which will be celebrated by Fr. Brian Stevens. Weekend Masses will be celebrated by Fr. David Mead, Fr. Brian Stevens and Fr. Jacek Kostuch and we thank them for their kind support.

## **Parish Database Forms**

Thank you to those of you who have recently completed our 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. Forms are available at each of our churches on request. Thank you.

## **Kevin Francis Lewis RIP**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kevin who died 21<sup>st</sup> November and whose Funeral Service takes place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 12.00 midday at Most Holy Trinity. May he rest in peace. We also remember his extended family in our prayers at this time.

## **The Season of Advent**

As we move into Advent we have additional opportunities for prayer and reconciliation as well as the normal scheduled Masses. Please see the website and notice boards for further information.

## **Second Sunday of Advent**

### **Entrance Antiphon:**

O people of Sion, behold,  
the Lord will come to save the nations,  
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard  
in the joy of your heart.

### **Liturgy of the Word**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 11:1-10



**Responsorial Psalm:** In his days justice shall flourish, and peace till the moon fails.

**Second Reading:** Romans 15:4-9

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Prepare a way for the Lord,  
make his paths straight,  
and all mankind shall see the salvation of God.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Matthew 3:1-12

### **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:**

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,  
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

## **Andrew Henwood - Funeral Director**

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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

**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:

£280.90

### October Standing Orders:

£988.33

### CTK Collections:

£111.53

### August Standing Orders:

£55.00

### OLSOS Collections:

£68.00

### August 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 ☎ 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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