

St. Mary's Falmouth & Helston RC Parish

The Parish is a part of Plymouth RC Diocese, a Registered Charity

Parish Church:- St Mary Immaculate, Falmouth serving St Edwards, Mawnan Smith

St Mary's Presbytery, Killigrew St, Falmouth, TR11 3PR -

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Parish Priest - Fr Brian Kenwick

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2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B) Psalter week 2 10th December 2017



FALMOUTH

SAT 6.30 pm FALMOUTH Helena May, Thomas & Bridget Toy, Teresa Lawrence,
Ben Davis & Salvatore (Sam) Micciche
SUN 9.00 am MAWNAN SMITH
SUN 10.45 am FALMOUTH People of the Parish

Weekday Masses (2nd week of Advent)

MON St Damasus 10.00 am Kathleen Weaver RIP
TUES Our Lady of Guadalupe 10.00 am Salvatore (Sam) Micciche RIP
WED St Lucy 7.00 pm Deceased Sisters of Les Filles de la Croix RIP
THUR St John of the Cross 10.00 am James Hennessey RIP MAWNAN SMITH
FRI Advent weekday 10.00 am Ben Davis RIP
SAT Advent weekday NO MORNING MASS

EXPOSITION SATURDAY 10.30 am to 11.30 am, WEDNESDAY 10.30 am to 1.00 pm (Rosary at 12 noon)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SATURDAY 10.30 am to 11.30 am and 5.30 pm to 6.25 pm

HELSTON

St Mary's Helston, serving St Michael's Mullion.

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Resident priest - Fr James Courtney O.S.B.

Hall contact: - Lorna Bean 07769176130

SUN 9.00 am HELSTON
SUN 11.00 am MULLION

Weekday Masses (2nd week of Advent)

MON St Damasus 9.30 am
TUES Our Lady of Guadalupe 12 noon
WED St Lucy 9.00 am
THUR St John of the Cross 6.30 pm Advent Service in church (NO MASS)
FRI Advent weekday 9.30 am
SAT Advent weekday NO MASS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SUNDAY 8.30 am Helston, after Mass Mullion and weekdays after Mass

As from Monday 4th December Morning/Evening Prayer will be said in Our Lady's chapel in Helston 15 minutes before Mass. All very welcome

Please join us for tea and coffee after Sunday Masses in the halls at Helston and Falmouth

Parish Penitential Service

Our Advent penitential service will be held at 7 pm on **Tuesday 12th December** in St Mary's, Falmouth. We will have 4 priests available to hear confessions and we are all encouraged to come. This is a lovely way to begin our preparations for Christmas.

A Penitential service is also being held at 7pm on Thursday 14th December in Truro.

Justice & Peace Meeting

Tuesday 12th December at 2.00 pm in the hall at Falmouth – 'Our Environment – a legacy for our children' followed by refreshments . 3.15 to 4 pm – prayer for those persecuted for their faith and for refugees. All welcome, enquiries to Mary Bradley 312768

Helston Advent Service

Thursday 14th December at 6.30 pm followed by supper and carols in the hall. Father James will be available in church after the service to hear individual confessions. All welcome

St Vincent de Paul Society (S.V.P.) annual appeal

Thank you for your generosity, **£ 784.15** was raised for the SVP. If anyone would like to know more about helping the SVP please contact Matt Higham on 07854 450438

Christingle, Carols and Parish Raffle!

Beginning at 5.30 pm on **Sunday 17th December** we have Christingle followed by a short service of carols and then refreshments and the draw of the Annual Parish Raffle in the hall, all at Falmouth.

'50th Anniversary Christmas Concert'

St Mary's School Choir will be hosting a very special Christmas concert in St Mary's Church at **6.30pm on Tuesday 19th December**, featuring some special guests from amongst our past pupils. Entry will be free and there will be a retiring collection.

Diocesan Year Books

Now on sale at back of the churches, just £4 each – the perfect gift for that 'difficult to buy for' someone special!

Collections

Parish last week: **£1,311.52** including standing orders.

Parish Christmas raffle

Tickets are now available in all four churches for our annual Christmas Raffle – there are lots of lovely prizes to win, something for everyone! To be drawn at our social gathering in the hall at Falmouth after Christingle and Carols.

Christmas Cards

On sale in the hall at Falmouth after 10.45 am Mass on Sundays

AOS Chocolate Bar Appeal

It is that time of the year when we ask that you think of the seafarers visiting our port over the Christmas period. The £1 bar is ideal as this fits nicely into the parcel. Our chocolate collection box will once again greet you as you enter the church. There is also a collecting box in Helston porch

Many thanks in anticipation of your generosity.

AOS Team Falmouth

Christmas Hosts

The chaplaincy at Tremough need host families for international students or UK students who stay in Cornwall over the holidays to link with .

They are recruiting hosts who are willing to offer: Christmas Eve supper (+ optional Midnight Mass/Evening Service)

Or

Christmas Day lunch (+ optional afternoon activity e.g. a walk)

If you are able to help please contact – Sacha Mustoe, chaplaincy administrator on 370744 or email chaplaincy@fxplus.ac.uk

Diners Club

The Social Group are proposing to hold a lunch for people who are living alone: -

At St Mary's Hall, Falmouth, Time – 12.30 pm, Date – **17th January 2018**, Cost - £7.50 (2 courses)

We can cater for a maximum of 20 people and unfortunately are unable to cater for special dietary requirements. Tickets and details available from Sheila McLoughlin 319524.

First Holy Communion 2018

For those who have registered their children for the programme, you are reminded of these dates:

Tuesday 9th January at 3.45 pm at St Mary's School – first session for children and

Sunday 20th May – First Holy Communion Day.

1st Tuesday Coffee morning 5th December 2017

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

THANK YOU to all who came along to the parish coffee morning last Tuesday. Your presence made this get together a happy, sociable occasion. Thank you for your support and generosity. The magnificent sum of £295.80 was raised.

Please note: There won't be a 1st Tuesday coffee morning in January. Come and join us for coffee and a chat on Tuesday 6th February 2018

Parish School

St Mary's Primary, Mongleath Road, Falmouth, TR11 4PW

01326 314540

St Mary's School News

Admissions 2018-19

Starting Primary School If you have a child born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 then they are due to start school in September 2018. The deadline for applications is 23:59 on 15th January 2018. You can apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions. Please remember if you are applying for a place at St Mary's School you need to complete a supplementary form (as well as the Local Authority application form) which can be obtained from the School Office or our website in the Parent Area www.st-marys-fal.cornwall.sch.uk

Threat to Catholic Schools

Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard.

The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to u-turn on their promise to Catholics.

Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools. Thank you for your cooperation.

Christmas Greetings

In response to requests from several parishioners, we will have a board at the back of church in Falmouth to display special notices (available from the office) from those who would like to make a donation to parish funds in place of sending Christmas cards within the parish.

THE LORDS PANTRY

Every week you bring things to the basket at the back of church and for this we say a big Thank You. Simon House – St Piran's House – the Night Shelter and the Food Bank are always most appreciative of your gifts. May we also say that smaller items such as Snacks and individual Biscuits are much appreciated by those calling at the Presbytery door, goods that need heating are not always practical to these callers. As Christmas approaches could you perhaps consider bringing some of the more festive foods? Once again **thank you** for your generosity. to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools. Thank you for your cooperation.

100+ club

November winners:- 1st – 159, 2nd – 173, 3rd - 168
Next draw Sunday 31st December, still time to join!

Used Stamps

Please could you keep any stamps to be collected to support the work of the Medical Missionaries of Mary in South Sudan.

Christmas Mass Times

Falmouth & Mawnan Smith

Christmas Eve: 6.00 pm Vigil Falmouth
Midnight Mass (carols from 11.30 pm) Falmouth
Christmas Day: 9.00 am Mawnan Smith
10.45 am Falmouth
St Stephen's Day: 12 noon

Helston & Mullion

Details to follow

24th December (4th Sunday of Advent) – normal Sunday Masses at all churches.

From Father Brian

As we reach the second Sunday of Advent, the Church proclaims the Good News to all people. Through Jesus, God is about to reveal His presence and glory. By our words and actions may we prepare the way of the Lord, following the example of John the Baptist.

Point to Ponder

The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today.

Diary Dates – we are all welcome at all events – both sides of the parish!

Falmouth

Sunday 10th December 1.15 pm Live Nativity starts at Event Square

Tuesday 12th December 2.00 pm Justice & Peace - hall

Tuesday 12th December 7 pm – Parish Penitential Service – church

Tuesday 19th December 6.30 pm St Mary’s School Choir Concert – church

Tuesday 9th January 2.00 pm Justice & Peace - hall

Tuesday 9th January -3.45 pm 1st Holy Communion children’s session – St Mary’s School

Wednesday 17th January 12.30 pm Diners Club lunch – hall (ticketed event)

Thursday 18th January 2 pm Intentional Disciples - presbytery

Helston

Thursday 14th December 6.30 pm Advent service – church then hall for supper.

Wednesday 7th February 2018 7 pm 50th Anniversary Mass - church

Other locations

19th – 21st January 2018 ‘Gather’ Livermead Hotel Torquay

Sick

Please pray for those in the Parish who are sick or housebound.

Falmouth:

Kathleen O’Flaherty, Pip Owen, Gill Beaton, Colin Campbell, Lynda Peace, Eve Anderson, Annette Biagini, Sheila Mooney, Dot Waddingham, Peter Moffat, Chris Gee, Stan Gwynne, Margaret Wright, Theresa Sullivan, Kerry Chellew, baby Isabella Grace, Finn Lyons, Katie Turner, Rebecca Emms, Mark Fanning, Ursula Emms, Kevin Allen, Suzy Hoyle, Pat Richards, Kerry-Ann Patrick, Peter Beaumont, Prue Sharrock, Victor Nicholson, Marta Castillo Capel, Nick Malone, Colin Jago, Jason Campbell, Stuart Wiseman, Stuart Fearn, Chelsea Robinson, Joe Ryan, Alison Wheatley, Dennis Scrace, Barbara Davis, June Martin, Sylvia Rowe, Jozef Stasiak, Winn Xenaky, Thyra Martin, Raymond Mulligan, Sister Martin, Mary Froom, Steven Pellow, John Harkin, David Malloy, Robin Waddling, Hazel Wilkes, Peter Bott and Pat Berney.

Helston:

Lisa Tripconey, Mary Harry, Heather Ashton, Nancy Bowkett, Poppy De’Ath, Chris O’Brien, Mary Gilbert, May Gordon, Frieda Curnow, Joe Chapman, Isobel Ellis, Rita Eaton, Christine Cowen and Alex Mullaly.