

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

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3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B) Psalter week 3

17th December 2017

GAUDETE SUNDAY

O Sapientia



FALMOUTH

SAT 6.30 pm FALMOUTH Edgar Stephens RIP
SUN 9.00 am MAWNAN SMITH Sr Perpetua int.
SUN 10.45 am FALMOUTH People of the Parish
SUN 5.30 pm Christingle with Carols

Weekday Masses (3rd week of Advent)

MON Advent weekday O Adonia 10.00 am Deceased members of Bradley family RIP
TUES Advent weekday O Radix Jesse 8.30 am Mary & Cyril Perry RIP
WED Advent weekday O Clavis David 7.00 pm Mary Wilton RIP
THUR Advent weekday O Oriens 10.00 am Dolores & Donald Banks RIP MAWNAN SMITH
FRI Advent weekday O Rex Gentium 10.00 am Anne & John Jenkin RIP
SAT Advent weekday O Emmanuel 10.00 am

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SATURDAY 5.30 pm to 6.25 pm

HELSTON

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

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SUN 9.00 am HELSTON

SUN 11.00 am MULLION

Weekday Masses (3rd week of Advent)

MON Advent weekday O Adonia 9.30 am
TUES Advent weekday O Radix Jesse 12 noon
WED Advent weekday O Clavis David 9.30 am
THUR Advent weekday O Oriens 6.30 pm Requiem - Nancy Bowkett RIP
FRI Advent weekday O Rex Gentium 9.30 am
SAT Advent weekday O Emmanuel 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

Christingle, Carols and Parish Raffle!

Beginning at 5.30 pm today, **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. Please bring a plate of food to share.

'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: **£1,082.36** 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 tonight after Christingle and Carols.

Christmas Cards

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

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.

Next Sunday 24th December

This is the 4th Sunday of Advent and our Sunday obligation is not fulfilled by attending the evening Mass on Sunday which is the first Mass of Christmas, similarly our Christmas obligation is not met by attending morning Mass on Sunday.

Helston Christmas Church Clean.

This will take place after the 9.30 am Mass at 10am. on **Friday 22nd December**. As usual we would be grateful if as many as possible could come to help. Please bring cleaning materials. Many hands make light work and get the Church looking beautiful for Christmas.

Have you seen the Helston Angels?---

Churches Together in Helston have organised a shop window display competition, on the theme of Angels, see how many there are!

REMEMBERING A LOVED ONE AT CHRISTMAS AT HELSTON

If you would like to bring a Poinsettia or a Cyclamen to church to make a 'Remembrance of a loved one' garden around the font please put their name and any message on a label around the plant and place in the well under the font, but no earlier than Christmas Eve.

Christmas Tree Remembrances

Our Guides have made Angels for people to write their remembrance on to hang on the tree in Falmouth for a small donation of £1 to parish funds.



Parish School

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

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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.

Golden Oldies

Are taking a break for Christmas and New Year and will be back in action on **Tuesday 9th January**, 10.30 in the hall at Falmouth.

Table Tennis club

Is also taking a break and will resume on Wednesday 10th January at 3.30 pm in the hall at Falmouth.

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

6.00 pm Night Mass Helston
9.00 am Helston



From Father Brian

We have now reached the third Sunday of Advent, known as Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday. We rejoice as the coming of Jesus draws near. May we celebrate the coming birthday of Jesus with renewed hearts.

Point to Ponder

It is both a privilege and a duty to rejoice in the Lord.

Please Pray for **Nancy Bowkett** and **Veronica Chegwiddden** who died last week, may the Lord grant them eternal rest. Nancy's cremation will take place at 12.30 pm on Thursday 21st December at Treswithian Downs Crematorium

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 10.30 am – Golden Oldies - hall

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 10th January 3.30 pm Table Tennis - hall

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, Pat Berney and Teresa Harry.

Helston:

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