



St. Mary's Falmouth & Helston RC Parish

The Parish is a part of Plymouth RC Diocese, a Registered Charity no. 213227

Parish Priest - Father Brian Kenwick V.F.

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

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All Masses live-streamed on our website: www.falmouthcatholicchurch.org.uk

YouTube St Mary Immaculate Falmouth: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCoz2cJRb4BIwdJqtrBv8F6w>

Parish School: St Mary's RC Primary, Mongleath Road, 01326 314540

Safeguarding Officers: - Sheila Jordan (619648) Hilary Kiszczuk (07305602680)

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C)

Psalter 3

12th December 2021



FALMOUTH

SAT	6.00 pm	FALMOUTH	Tony Vyvyan RIP
SUN	9.00 am	MAWNAN SMITH	
SUN	10.30 am	FALMOUTH	People of the Parish

Weekday Masses/Services (3rd week of Advent)

MON	St Lucy	10.00 am	Priests, Sisters & ben. of Daughters of the Cross RIP
TUES	St John of the Cross	10.00 am	Laura & Edgar Stephens RIP
WED	Advent weekday	6.00 pm	John Hillier RIP
THUR	Advent weekday	10.00 am	MAWNAN SMITH
FRI	Advent weekday (O Sapientia)	10.00 am	Anne & John Jenkin RIP
SAT	Advent weekday (O Adonai)	NO MORNING MASS	

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays 10 -11 am and 5 -5.45 pm in the hall.

HELSTON

St Mary's, Helston, serving St Michael's, Mullion. *Facebook page:* "Catholics on the Lizard Peninsula"

Resident priest: Father Paul Andrew. *Email:* paul.andrew@prcdtr.org.uk

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Helston masses are live-streamed on the churchcam: <https://rtsp.me/embed/SzdY4Qrn/>

& the parish website: www.falmouthcatholicchurch.org.uk

Mullion masses are live streamed on our Facebook page (see above)

Masses from both churches are later uploaded to our YouTube site: Father Paul Andrew



SERVICES THIS WEEK (all at Helston unless indicated otherwise)

SUN	09.30	3 rd SUNDAY of ADVENT		for Pope Francis
	11.30	3 rd SUNDAY of ADVENT	<u>AT MULLION</u>	for Bishop Mark
MON	10.30	St Lucy [private mass]		for Janet Holmes, RIP
	17.30	Holy Hour, Benediction & chat	<u>AT MULLION</u>	[with Synod discussion]
TUE	10.00	St John of the Cross		for Mavis Butterfield, RIP
WED		no mass		
THU	10.00	Holy Hour & Benediction		[Confession available]
	12.00	Advent feria – O Sapientia		for Tony Vyvyan, RIP
FRI	10.00	Advent feria – O Adonai	<u>AT MULLION</u>	for the community at Mawnan Smith (on the anniversary of the Dedication)
SUN	09.30	4 th SUNDAY of ADVENT		for expectant mothers
	11.30	4 th SUNDAY of ADVENT	<u>AT MULLION</u>	for expectant mothers

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available by appointment or after public masses on request.

Helston & Mullion News

A VERY WARM WELCOME to all who are worshipping with us today. There is **coffee or tea after mass** in the church hall at Helston.

The children would like to say a big "thank you " to everyone who baked and/or made very generous donations to AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED. We have chosen the following gifts: **hot meals for hungry families in Lebanon; warm clothes for displaced children in Syria; legal aid and counselling for the Christian community in Pakistan. Total raised: £157.**

The Advent Service and Christmas Party showed more quality than quantity (!!!), but a jolly good time was had by all who attended. Thank you to all those who were responsible for organisation and for food.

The **GIVING TREE** elves are delighted with the response there has been so far. If you haven't taken a tag yet please do so **THIS SUNDAY** and indicate on your wrapped gift whether your present is for a girl, boy, woman or man and place your gifts under the tree before Monday, 20th Dec.

We are doing our annual collection of **chocolate bars for seafarers**, please put these in the usual box. There was a wonderful response to the **FOODBANK'S** request for Christmas goods. Thank you to all who contributed.

Mary Gilbert's funeral at Mullion is on Tuesday, 30th at 11.30 (the body being received into church at 4.30 pm on Monday). Holy Hour will be at 5.30 as usual.

Collections counted last Sunday:

21/11: Helston £160.50, Mullion £115; envelopes £33.
28/11: Helston £101.70; Mullion £73; envelopes £20.

Please be sure you have a copy of our **Advent & Christmas services poster** with the **Synod meetings** programme on the other side.

Notes from the 2 recent **church meetings** are available at the back of church (H) / in the porch (M).

The **Diocesan Year Book** for 2022 is available to buy for £4; please ask Fr Paul for a copy.

Please take a copy of the letter from the Conference of Bishops of England & Wales about Sundays.

Falmouth & Mawnan Smith News

We welcome

Father Jacek Kostuch to the parish who will be with us for a few months. I know you will make him feel at home.

CHRISTMAS CHOCOLATE for SEAFARERS

It's that time of the year when we start to collect chocolate bars for seafarers who visit our ports. A box will be placed in the usual position as you come into the church and your contributions will be gratefully received.



Walking Together –

Diocese of Plymouth Synodal Journey

The Listening and Discernment sessions at St Mary's Falmouth continues on Wednesday 15th December at 7.00 pm and Friday 17th December at 11.00 am in the church hall. Please note that during Advent Wednesday Mass will be celebrated at 6.00 pm. Hopefully having morning and evening sessions will give as many parishioners as possible the opportunity to contribute to this important time of listening and discernment for the whole Church **Please take a copy of the Synodal Supplement to aid your deliberations through the week.**



Christmas Falmouth/Mawnan Smith

Message from Father Brian. After much thought and prayer I have decided that the Masses will be as follows: **Friday** December 24th Falmouth 6.00 pm Vigil Mass; 10.00 pm with carols from 9.30 pm. **Saturday** Christmas Day Mawnan Smith 9.00 am, Falmouth 10.30 am. Please note no 6.00 pm Mass. **Sunday** 26th December 9.00 am Mass Mawnan Smith, Falmouth 10.30 am. I am aware that some will be disappointed that there will be no traditional Midnight Mass but with the continuing restrictions and uncertainties due to COVID I sincerely believe this is the best solution. I appreciate your understanding.

COVID Restrictions

You will be aware that the wearing of face coverings in Places of Worship is now legally mandatory. Your co-operation and understanding is very much appreciated as we implement this government policy. The good news is that our choirs, when singing, do not have to wear face covering. You are also reminded that at this stage the offertory/collection taken in the church during the Mass is suspended, however, your collection is appreciated and baskets are available at the doors of the churches for you to place your contribution as you leave. Please encourage people to read the bulletin as announcements at the end of Mass are to be kept to a bare minimum
Thank you. Father Brian

THE LORD' PANTRY . ST PETROCS AND SIMON HOUSE.

We are now collecting items of food so the residents may enjoy some special treats this Christmas. So please remember those less fortunate than ourselves and fill our baskets at Mawnan and St Marys Falmouth

Your generosity will be much appreciated.
Thankyou

FALMOUTH CHRISTMAS TRAIL FOR CHILDREN

Take home a leaflet and map today and see how many pictures you can find as you walk through the town.

FREE CALENDARS

Missio calendars have arrived and there are plenty not only for our Red Box holders, but for anyone in need of a calendar.

They will be on the table in the church porch, please take one.

SVP Living with Loss support group

An invitation to meet for a cuppa and a chat is open to anyone living with loss. Whether bereaved recently or at any time, a place for mutual support and friendship. Please come along to our meeting on **the last Tuesday of every month**, 2pm in the hall at Falmouth. Please see Julie Hession or call on 07799706036 or 01326 250623.

A message from Sr Rose and the Bethany House Community

With Christmas now approaching and bearing in mind the need to preserve our environment and everyone's increasing concerns about climate change, we, this year have decided that, in lieu of Christmas cards, we will arrange for Masses to be said each month for all your intentions. We will also make donations to charities. We really appreciate all your Christmas gifts and greetings and thank you for these and for your understanding; we assure you of your continued place in our affections and in our prayers.

News for All 4 Churches

CATHOLIC VOICES – Sharing The Faith With Charity and Clarity – RECORDING

For those who were unable to join in with this inspiring event which took place on Saturday November 13th the recording can be accessed via the following link.

https://prcdtr-org-uk.zoom.us/rec/share/jg8L0Xk-uOnj-vb2Cc92Q5KA_5dP6gx7iwz1IDEilzLcl07-FaE0kzwMFsmykiB.W-pwFwLUAm-uHm4V

Passcode: mjUFA44.

MALAWI SPONSORED SEMINARIAN

We have had no news of Brother Francis Achieng, since the first lockdown. Seminaries in Malawi were closed down and students returned to their homes. He should have returned to the Christ the King seminary in Nyeri for his third year of Theology, but studies have probably been delayed. Malawi is now a hotspot for the new variant of the Corona virus. May we remember Brother Francis and his family and all seminarians in our prayers. Missio in London will let us know when they hear any news.

A chance for young Catholics to meet up!

Youth Events are running a residential at Heatree, on Dartmoor. It is a great opportunity for young people across the diocese to come together and have some fun together. A chance to explore Dartmoor, enjoy outdoor activities such as climbing and abseiling, share stories whilst sat around the campfire and explore faith in our lives.

Friday 18th to 20th February 2022 £95 all inclusive.

This event is aimed at young people aged 10 (Year 6) to 17 (Year 13)

To secure a place a £30 deposit must be received by January 9th 2022

To book contact Saskia on youth@prcdtr.org.uk

Assistance with finance may be available please see Fr Brian or Fr Paul.

Homelessness Event – 18 January 2022 6-7pm via Zoom.

Caritas Plymouth would like to invite you to an online event on homelessness on the 18th of January 2022 from 6-7pm. As Britain emerges from the crisis of pandemic and begins to come to terms with the impacts of the crisis over the last few years, the effects on homelessness are likely to be significant. It is predicted that the economic aftermath of COVID-19 risks a substantial rise in core homelessness, including rough sleeping. This event will offer an opportunity for prayer and reflection on how we can take practical action to support those who are homeless.

If you can join us for this event, please register using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/NkUZyhwcKf> or email caritas@prcdtr.org.uk.

100+ Club

Congratulations to our November winners – first number 132 - £50, second number 32 - £25 and third number 140 - £10.



From Father Brian

We have now reached the Third Sunday of Advent. This Sunday is known as 'Gaudete Sunday'. The word Gaudete is derived from the Latin words 'gaudium' meaning joy and 'gaudeo' meaning to rejoice or to be glad. Gaudete Sunday occurs eight to thirteen days before Christmas and the nearness of the feast is a reason for great joy.

Have a good and safe week

Points to Ponder

Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls.

(St. Mother Teresa)

Those who are full of Joy are full of love.

(Baal Shem Tor)

When joy is a habit, love is a reflex.

(Bob Goff)

Pope's Intentions for December

Prayer intention for evangelization – Catechists. Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity in the power of the Holy Spirit

Prayer Requests

Please pray for those in the Parish who are sick or housebound or in need of our prayers.

Falmouth:

Kathleen O'Flaherty, Colin Campbell, Theresa Sullivan, Isabella Grace, Jason Campbell, Sister Martin, Steven Pellow, Pat Berney, Hugh McLoughlin, David Stevens, Sheila Mulligan, Angela Toy, Jenny Davis, Francis Thompson, Veronica Robbins, Bishop Christopher Budd, Julie Williams, Sister Augustine and Helen Finney.

Helston:

Lorna Bean, Ian Bond-Stocks, Bishop Christopher Budd, Sister Thérèse Canty, Frances Chapman, Chris Cowen, Frieda Curnow, Poppy DeAth, Mary Gilbert, Mary Harry, Walter & Jenny Hayes, Marie Kennan, Frances Meeks, Alfred Merritt, Barry Mundy, Theresa Neal, Paul Ronan, Daniel Williams and May & Gordon Stewart.

