

St. Mary's Falmouth & Helston RC Parish

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

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

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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) Psalter 3

12th July 2020



FALMOUTH

SAT 6.00 pm FALMOUTH

SUN 10.30 am FALMOUTH

People of the Parish

Weekday Masses (14th week in Ordinary Time)

MON	St Henry	10.00 am	Pattie Blount RIP
TUES	St Camillus de Lellis	10.00 am	Private Mass- funeral Colin Jago RIP
WED	St Bonaventure	7.00 pm	
THUR	Our Lady of Mount Carmel	10 00 am	
FRI	weekday	10.00 am	
SAT	weekday	NO MORNING MASS	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - ring for information

HELSTON

St Mary's Helston, serving St Michael's Mullion. email: helston@prcdtr.org.uk phone 01326 572378

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The Catholic Presbytery, Clodgey Lane, Helston TR13 8PJ **Hall contact: - vacant**

Safeguarding reps: Meg Trevaskis & Margaret Chambers.

More information on our Facebook page: "Catholics on the Lizard Peninsula"

All masses are live-streamed daily on FACEBOOK

(Sun: 10.00; Thu: 12.00; Mon, Tue, Fri & Sat: 9.30)

then later uploaded to our YouTube channel: St Mary's Catholic Church, Helston

MASSES THIS WEEK

(14th week in Ordinary Time, Yr. A; Psalter wk. 2)

Masses in RED are public masses, those in black are private masses

The church will be open ½ hour before public masses for private prayer

SUN	10.00	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	<i>for all those in public office</i>
MON	09.30	St Henry	<i>Fatima Mass for all pilgrims</i>
TUES	09.30	St Camillus de Lellis	<i>"Mass in time of pandemic"</i>
WED	no mass	St Bonaventure	<i>Fr Paul's day off</i>
THUR	12.00	Our Lady of Mount Carmel	<i>"for the sanctification of human labour"</i>
FRI	09.30	weekday	<i>"for the progress of peoples"</i>
SAT	09.30	weekday	<i>"for the preservation of peace and justice"</i>
SUN	10.00	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time	<i>for our church communities</i>

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Please contact Fr Brian if you have a relative in danger of death for advice.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Homily

Bertrand Russell was a famous British philosopher, writer and pacifist who died in 1970.

Bertrand Russell once wrote: "The only thing that will redeem humanity is co-operation." As Christians, as Catholics we believe that Jesus Christ is the redeemer of all the human race.

Today's Gospel reminds us that through Jesus Christ, God's saving Word is scattered generously, even with a throw away style.

No one is excluded from the generous love of God. The saving and redemptive Word of Jesus, the seed of salvation is able to be planted in the hearts of all human beings.

However, as today's Gospel reminds us for the seed of faith to grow, mature and develop we need to co-operate and work with Jesus. We have to prepare the ground to allow the seed of the Gospel to take root in our life.

The Gospel reminds us that Jesus invites us to welcome His Word and make it our own.

For the Gospel to grow and flourish within us we need to co-operate with Jesus, work with Him and commit ourselves to His redeeming Word.

Constantly we need to renew our response to the Word of God. We need to allow Jesus and the Gospel to take root in us.

It has been claimed that around 70% of Catholics no longer come to Mass, no longer practise their faith.

For some the trials and sufferings of life can cause them to turn their backs on God, believing that they have been ignored and abandoned by the Lord.

For others the worries, the demands and the busyness of modern life causes them to put God at the very back of their schedule, even leaving the Lord totally off their agenda.

So it is essential that we continue to prepare the ground for the seed of the Gospel, so that our faith will find fertile soil to grow, mature and develop. If we take the time to nourish our faith, to cultivate the Word of God, our faith will grow and we will be able to plant the seed of the Good News in others.

Yes, as well as receiving Jesus in our lives we are called to share Him with others.

As Christians, as followers of Jesus we are not meant to be passive and docile in our faith.

We need to co-operate with the seed of redemption that Jesus plants in the hearts of all humanity.

To prepare the ground for Jesus to come and take root we need to give time for prayer, scripture reading and celebration of the sacraments.

All this takes time, commitment and endurance. Instant success and immediate results are unlikely for most of us.

And yet if we take the time to nourish the Word of God and co-operate with Jesus then our faith will grow, flourish and mature.

It is a gradual process, it may take a lifetime. But if we allow the seed to struggle to grow in us, we will grow too.

Eventually we will grow to be one with God through Jesus Christ. And what a wonderful harvest that will be.

May God bless you all.

Father Brian

Albert Lawes

Many of us remember Albert who was here in Falmouth with us whilst a student at Tremough Campus and we are very pleased to let you know that Albert will be ordained a deacon today Sunday 12th July at Plymouth Cathedral. Please keep Albert in your prayers as he progresses in his journey to priesthood.

Mass Intentions

Now that we are again able to celebrate Mass publicly, please would those who have booked a Mass contact the office so that we can re-book for a convenient day.

St Edwards Mawnan Smith

We are planning to re-open St Edwards, Mawnan Smith on Thursday 23rd July for Mass at 10 am. In order to do this we need a pool of stewards and cleaners. If you are able to volunteer in this way please come along to St Edwards at 11.30 am on Thursday 16th July so that you can see how the church is laid out and be given guidance on stewarding and cleaning requirements. Appropriate PPE will be provided.

Car Park

Please leave the bottom car park as soon as you leave church after Mass. This is to ensure social distancing both for parishioners and users of the Crypt Pre-school.

CAFOD National Coronavirus appeal

Families without enough food to eat and without access to clean water, or living with underlying health problems like HIV are particularly vulnerable to the coronavirus. The virus has now hit the Rohingya refugee camp in Bangladesh which is catastrophic for the thousands of families already struggling to access health care and sanitation there. In Zimbabwe and Zambia 7 million people are without enough food.

CAFOD is expanding and adapting its programme to prevent the spread and reduce the risks of coronavirus. Every step taken now getting food and clean water to families will prevent deaths and reduce suffering, ensuring the survival of communities. Local experts on the ground understand the challenges and needs in their respective communities and can respond quickly.

- Improving hygiene, handwashing and sanitizing of household items
- Delivering food where most needed
- Producing radio messages, posters and leaflets in local language on risks and prevention
- Training community volunteers to carry out awareness campaigns

So, your gifts are needed now and your essential support will help families survive. Donations can be made online or by phoning 03033033030

Thank you for your generosity, prayers and compassion.

Mary Bradley is hoping to raise funds to help them in their work and invites anyone who would like to sponsor her for 20, 7am swims across the width of Swanpool Beach. Her contact details for sponsorship are 01326 312 768 and mary@corisande.plus.com. Thank you to all who have already sponsored her

Baptisms

We have just received permission to celebrate baptisms in the church and the restrictions required for the celebration to take place. If you wish to have your child baptised please contact the parish office for further information.

From Father Brian

In today's Gospel Jesus reminds us of the importance of preparing the ground to allow the seed of the Gospel to grow, mature and flourish in our lives. By prayer reading the scriptures and by celebrating the sacraments we allow our faith to take root in our lives. As I write these words we have been celebrating Mass for a number of days. The church is open and Mass celebrated because of the preparation that went on beforehand. Once again I would like to express my thanks to those who worked so hard to prepare our church and all those who continue to give their time and commitment to enable the Mass to be celebrated each day. We continue to explore the best way of celebrating Mass in regards to the restrictions placed on us and I ask for your patience as we continue to tweak our celebrations.

It is wonderful that we are able to celebrate the Mass once again and I would like to say to those who are unable to come to Mass, for various reasons, you are not forgotten and you are constantly in my thoughts and prayers.

This coming Tuesday we will celebrate the Requiem Mass of Colin Jago. As many of you know Colin was a faithful servant to our parish through his ministry as sacristan and an altar server. It will be disappointing for many of you that you will be unable to attend his requiem because of the restrictions placed upon us only 20 people are allowed to attend the Mass plus the funeral directors, priest etc. when things get back to normal we will have a fitting memorial Mass for Colin. Please remember him in your prayers and may he rest in peace.

Points to Ponder

If we are prepared we shall not fear.

(Quentin L. Cook)

If life gets too hard to stand, kneel in prayer.

Commitment is an act, not a word

(Jean-Paul Sartre)

Pope's Intentions for July

Universal prayer intention – Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

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, Annette Biagini, Theresa Sullivan, Isabella Grace, Jason Campbell, Winn Xenaky, Sister Martin, Steven Pellow, Pat Berney, Hugh McLoughlin, Rosemary Moffat, David Stevens, Noelle Elliott, Mary Froom and Sheila Hennessey.

Helston:

Heather Ashton, Frieda Curnow, Poppy DeAth, Isobel Ellis, Mary Gilbert, Mary Harry, Walter Hayes, Celia Kirkland, Colin & Theresa Neal, John Shiell and May & Gordon Steward.