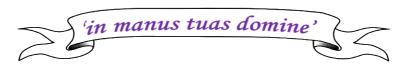
# CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Cuthbert Mayne, Launceston incorporating the communities of St Peter's, Bude and Our Lady of Victories, Callington



### Week beginning Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020 First Sunday in Advent: Year B

Saturday 28th November ~ First Mass on Sunday

Holy Mass ~ Feast of St Cuthbert Mayne Pr M (live streamed ~ 9.30am)

Bude 10.00-11.00am **Private Prayer** Launceston 10.30-11.30am **Private Prayer** 

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November ~ First Sunday of Advent Year B

Callington 8.30-9.30am **Private Prayer** 

Holy Mass Int: People of the Parish (live streamed ~ 10.30am)

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November ~ St Andrew ~ Apostle ~ Feast Day

**Holy Mass** 

Tuesday 1st December

Holy Mass Int: Canon Charles Langdon RIP (F/M) (live streamed ~ 9.30am)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December ~ St Osmund of Salisbury Bp

Holy Mass Int: Evelyn Gallagher RIP (live streamed ~ 9.30am)

Callington 2.00-3.00pm **Private Prayer** 

**Masses Resume** 

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December ~ St Francis Xavier Pr ~ Migrants' Day

Launceston **9.30am** Holy Mass

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Callington 10.00am Holy Mass Int: Dave Martin RIP

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December ~ First Mass on Sunday

10.00am Advent Morning Prayer via Zoom with Fr John

Bude 5.00pm Holy Mass

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December ~ Second Sunday of Advent: Year B ~ Bible Sunday

Callington 8.30am Holy Mass

Launceston 10.30am Holy Mass Int: People of the Parish

You can watch the remaining live-streamed Masses on our Facebook page Catholic Parish of St Cuthbert Mayne

Gentle reminder......when Masses resume please remember to wear your facemask, bring along your completed Track & Trace form and sanitise your hands when entering and exiting the church.

#### Dear Parishioners,

A light is dawning in the midst of the darkness of the Covid 19 pandemic, with news that vaccines will soon be available which could see us return to a more normal and fuller parish life before too long.

The dawning light is a theme of Advent as we enter this new liturgical year of the Church. That light being the light off Christ who brings us peace and hope and lights up the path on our life's journey.

I draw your attention to Deacon Richard's Scripture Group, and Saturday Morning Prayer in Advent, details of both are given later in the newsletter. The fact that they are online has an advantage for those who cannot or do not like to travel. Just a short trip to the computer/Tablet/Mobile is enough.

Please note that Bishop Mark, together with his Council, have produced a new document; 'A Precious Place of God's Grace'. The brief phrase on the first page says: 'Looking to 2025 in terms of parish structures, availability of priests, provision of sacramental life and the resources needed to meet the evangelising mission of the Church in the Diocese of Plymouth'. The first 2 parts of what will eventually be a 3-part document are now available and can be found attached to the newsletter and also on the parish webpage.

I invite you to read it, and pass on any comment to me, by post or email (not phone), or send them, directly to Canon Kristian Paver, <a href="kristian.paver@prcdtr.org.uk">kristian.paver@prcdtr.org.uk</a> who is collating the feedback from around the diocese. Before Christmas I hope to meet with our Parish Council in the Church Hall, Launceston, to discuss the document as a group. Given current social distancing regulations it is rather difficult to meet other than in a small group, but we are looking at other ways to meet, either through live streaming and/or Zoom. However, in the New Year it would be good to engage more parishioners in discussion. Your feedback is very welcome. This is part of an ongoing process and you will hear more about it in the coming months.

Christmas: After having considered a booking system for our 5 Christmas Masses in the parish, it now seems to me that such a system will create more problems than it solves. Therefore, I would recommend, given the very restricted capacity in all of our churches due to social distancing, that you arrive in very good time for Mass. Once the churches (and hall, in Launceston) are full the stewards will not be able to let any parishioners or visitors in. It is a challenging situation to be in, but there is no choice.

Alternatively, please make use of the **Christmas Octave**. If you attend Mass during the week after Christmas Day, you will, in fact, be attending a Christmas Mass. I will be celebrating a Mass in the parish each day during the Octave.

Thanks again for your patience and understanding. The light is dawning, and that light is Christ.

God bless you,

Don't forget the Scripture **Group** via Zoom is every Thursday during Advent with Deacon Richard looking at the readings for Sundays. The next meeting Thursday 3rd December and the remaining two are 10th and the 17<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to join but do not have the details for the meeting, please contact the Parish Secretary.

Due to the building works at Launceston, it means there will be a lot of old soft wood available from the church roof, which will make good firewood for burners. The wood will be available as from next Wednesday, please help yourself.

Join Fr John for Advent Morning Prayer via Zoom, beginning on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 10am, it will follow the morning prayer from the Universalis. Click on this link Universalis to access the daily prayer or to download the app.

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Details for the Zoom meeting will be sent out to the parish a couple of days before the first meeting.

#### Launceston

Mass on Thursday mornings will now be at the later time of 9.30am.

The Tamar Lay Dominican Fraternity have in previous years during Advent held a 'Light a Candle' event at Christ the King, Plymouth. Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 will the this not be possible. Instead they invite parishioners to send them any prayer requests you may have. Members of the Fraternity will meet via Zoom at 7pm on each of the 3 Thursdays of Advent (3rd, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup> Dec) where they will light a candle and pray the prayers they receive. Prayers can be emailed to the Secretary at geraldinetaylor2016@hotmail.com

### Fratelli Tutti – some initial reflections

Caritas Plymouth is preparing a number of short videos to offer a reflection on each chapter of the Encyclical. One reflection will be shared each week over the coming 8 weeks. Hopefully, the videos will provide food for thought and encourage people to read the full text. The reflections can be found on the Diocesan Facebook page.

**St Petrocs Christmas Appeal** begins on **Friday, 4**<sup>th</sup> **December** with their **Virtual Carol Service**. It may not be in person, but it is still jampacked with inspirational speakers, readings, and entertainment. For more information go to <u>St Petrocs</u>

## Winter Parish Knitting Project for the Homeless

Please remember to hand in your hats, scarves, and gloves for the homeless. Please leave them in the box at the back of the Church at Launceston for Liz to collect, who will take them to St Petrocs at Truro. Parishioners at Bude and Callington please hand them to Fr John or send them to the Presbytery. Those of you who would like to help but without the knitting, you are very welcome to donate gloves, hats, and scarves. Thank you.

## Walk with Me ~ A Journey of Prayer for Advent Booklet ~ £1

These popular booklets contain a brief reflection on the scripture reading of the day during Advent. Normally we would have them at each of our churches at the beginning of Advent for you to buy, but due to the restrictions this will not be possible. Instead, please use this <u>link</u> to place your own order.

### **Children's Liturgy**

The following link is another resource for children's liturgy which can be found on Facebook.

https://www.facebook.com/Children s-Liturgy-during-lockdown-101967264838340/

### **Safeguarding Reps:**

Geoff Provis (Launceston)

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Piri Gallington (Callington)

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

and especially for:
Jenny Hill, Marie Shaw,
Kevin O'Mahoney,
Christina & Barry Murphy,
Peter Scott, Jason Mather,
Ivan Reeves, Connor Robinson
Cath Butland, and Leah Bennett.

May the Lord bless them and all who care for them

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Mass Intentions can still be booked, please contact the parish secretary

### **Useful Links to Keep in Touch**

Facebook: Catholic Parish of St Cuthbert Mayne

(updates and link to Youtube page) **Youtube:** St Cuthbert Mayne RC Parish (for Masses, reflections, and prayers)

Webpage: <a href="http://www.stcuthbertmayne.org.uk/">http://www.stcuthbertmayne.org.uk/</a>

(newsletters, updates etc)

CARITAS: <a href="https://www.caritasplymouth.org.uk/">https://www.caritasplymouth.org.uk/</a>

(information and updates)

Cathedral:

https://www.plymouthcathedral.co.uk/

(Mass and prayers)

### **Church Offerings**

Thank you to those who have recently arranged a standing order to pay their weekly offering, it is much appreciated also to those who already pay by standing order. If you would like to continue giving the church your weekly cash offering you can arrange a standing order through on-line banking. Please contact the parish secretary for the standing order form. And for those who are taxpayers please consider signing a Gift Aid form so the parish can claim back 25p in every pound given. If you would like to send a cheque for your offerings, please make it payable to St Cuthbert Mayne Church and mail it to the Presbytery, address at the bottom of the page.

£456.87 weekly standing orders for October Thank you for your continued generosity

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