

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



**Week beginning Sunday 13th December 2020
Third Sunday in Advent: Year B**

Saturday 12th December ~ First Mass on Sunday

10.00am Advent Morning Prayer via Zoom with Fr John

Bude 5.00pm Holy Mass Int: Jim White RIP

Sunday 13th December ~ Third Sunday of Advent: Year B ~ Gaudete Sunday

Callington 8.30am Holy Mass Int: Christina Abbotts

Launceston 10.30am Holy Mass Int: People of the Parish

Tuesday 15th December

Launceston 10.00am Holy Mass Int: Tom Reardon RIP

Wednesday 16th December

Bude 10.00am Holy Mass Int: Samuel Boal RIP

Thursday 17th December

Launceston 9.30am Holy Mass Int: Sick & Housebound Parishioners

Friday 18th December

Callington **No Mass**

Bude *Funeral Mass: Paul Tica RIP*

Saturday 19th December ~ First Mass on Sunday

10.00am Advent Morning Prayer via Zoom with Fr John

Bude 5.00pm Holy Mass Int: Francis Porter RIP (F/M)

Sunday 20th December ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent: Year B ~ Expectant Mothers

Callington 8.30am Holy Mass Int: People of the Parish

Launceston 10.30am Holy Mass

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**It is mandatory to wear a facemask when attending Mass, please wear one.**

**You can either wear your own or use one of the disposable facemasks available.**

**Please remember to bring along your completed Track and Trace forms,  
only one form is required per household.**

**Those who scan the QR Code, can you please also complete a Track and Trace form.**

**Please ensure you sanitise your hands when entering and exiting the church.**

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of Paul Tica who died recently and his family and friends. May his soul through the mercy of God rest in peace.**

Join Fr John for **Advent Morning Prayer** via Zoom, this **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December** at 10am, it will follow the morning prayer from the Universalis. Click on the link [Universalis](#) to access the daily prayer or to download the app. Details for the Zoom meeting have been sent out by a separate email, please check your inbox.

Again, a big thank you to stewards, cleaners and volunteers whose work enables our churches to remain open during this time of Covid. We are all hoping and praying that they will only be required to carry out these roles until the Spring.

A reminder that the stewards are doing their work with my authority and putting into practice what our bishops, and the government are telling us to do to keep our churches open, with Naomi co-ordinating. The stewards know the routine so please follow their guidance and do what they say, especially over the Christmas period. That way we can gather for Mass and keep our communities safe.

Fr John

### Christmas Mass times

#### **Bude:**

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| Christmas Eve Vigil | 5.00pm  |
| Christmas Day Mass  | 10.00am |

#### **Launceston:**

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| Christmas Eve Night Mass | 10.00pm |
| Christmas Day Mass       | 10.30am |

#### **Callington:**

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| Christmas Day Dawn Mass | 8.30am |
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Due to restrictions, there will be no Carols preceding the Masses this year.

After having considered a booking system for our 5 Christmas Masses in the parish, it now seems that such a system will create more problems than it solves. **Therefore, it would be recommended, 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. Fr John will be celebrating Mass in the parish every day in the Octave, apart from Monday.

### Confessions.

Fr John will be available for the Sacrament of Penance, 20 minutes before each Mass, except Sunday 10.30 am, when he can be available after Mass.

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 is **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**. If you would like to join but do not have the Zoom details for the meeting, please contact the Parish Secretary.

### BUDE FOOD BANK:

**Please place any donations for Christmas in the box in the porch no later than Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.**

You are invited to join a meeting this **Saturday**, via Zoom, with Fr John and Deacon Richard, and members of the Parish Council, to discuss the latest document from Bishop Mark O'Toole, '**A Precious Place of God's Grace**'. The meeting will start at 11am and last for an hour. Details for the Zoom meeting was sent out by a separate email, please check your inbox.

We are all called to Welcome the Stranger, but many people are unsure how they can help others during this current situation. **Caritas** has produced a [Christmas Newsletter](#) which offers some practical suggestions for action and links to prayer resources

There are yellow envelopes available if you would like to donate to **St Petrocs Christmas Appeal** to help the homeless in Cornwall through the winter. Please return the envelopes to the parish secretary, or if you prefer to donate online please use this link [St Petrocs](#)..... thank you.

**Pope's Intention  
for the month of December:  
For a Life of Prayer**

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

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**Winter Parish Knitting Project
for the Homeless**

Please remember to hand in your hats, scarves, and gloves for the homeless. **Liz will be making her first trip to Truro next week, but please keep knitting or donating as she will make another trip in the New Year.** 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.



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Advent with CAFOD has a range of resources and virtual events for Advent, visit cafod.org.uk/parishes to learn more. Also, we can stretch out our hands to people living in poverty and refugees by donating to **CAFOD's Advent Appeal** at www.cafod.org.uk/advent

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**CAFOD World Gifts** offer a range of virtual gifts, which will make a difference to families living in poverty across the world. By giving a World Gift as Christmas presents to family and friends you will help vulnerable families affected by the pandemic to protect and feed themselves. Let's spread joy, hope and love around the world this Christmas.

**Plymouth Diocese  
2021 Yearbook**

are now available for only £4 each, they can be found in the porches at each Church. Please drop your money in the basket provided. Please only pick up a book if you intend to take it with you.

### **Children's Liturgy**

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

<https://www.facebook.com/Childrens-Liturgy-during-lockdown-101967264838340/>

### **Safeguarding Reps:**

Geoff Provis (Launceston)

Tel: 01566 775820

Piri Gallington (Callington)

Tel: 07958 614222

Tom O'Sullivan (Bude)

Tel: 01288 361984

### **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.**

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*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:** <http://www.stcuthbertmayne.org.uk/> (newsletters, updates etc)

**CARITAS:** <https://www.caritasplymouth.org.uk/> (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.**

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£480.87 weekly standing orders for November
Thank you for your continued generosity

Parish Priest: Canon John Deeny VG

Deacon Richard Edwards

Fr Kevin O'Connell: (Retired Priest, resident in Bude)

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Facebook: Catholic Parish of St Cuthbert Mayne Church

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When should I set up the Christmas Crib?

Following a beautiful tradition, many families set up their Crib immediately after the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (last Tuesday), as if to relive with Mary those days full of trepidation that preceded the birth of Jesus. Putting up the Crib at home can be a simple but effective way of presenting faith, to pass it on to one's children. The Crib helps us contemplate the mystery of God's love that was revealed in the poverty and simplicity of the Bethlehem Grotto. St Francis of Assisi was so taken by the mystery of the Incarnation that he

wanted to present it anew at Greccio in the living Nativity scene, thus beginning an old, popular tradition that still retains its value for evangelization today.

Indeed, the Crib can help us understand the secret of the true Christmas because it speaks of the humility and merciful goodness of Christ, who "**though he was rich he made himself poor**" for us. (2 Cor: 8:9)

Blessing at home for a Christmas Crib.

The leader can be a parent, or any family member.

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R/. Who made heaven and earth.

One of those present or the leader reads a text of sacred Scripture, for example: Luke 2:1 (lines 1-8) or Isaiah 7:10 (lines 10-15, the birth of Emmanuel).

Reader: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

R/. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The leader prays with hands joined:

*God of every nation and people,
from the very beginning of creation
you have made manifest your love:
when our need for a Saviour was great
you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary.
To our lives he brings joy and peace,
justice, mercy, and love.*

*Lord,
bless all who look upon this manger;
may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus,
and raise our thoughts to him, who is God-with-us and Saviour of all,
and who lives and reigns forever and ever, Amen*