

OUR LADY OF THE PORTAL & ST PIRAN, TRURO  
&  
OUR LADY, STAR OF THE SEA & ST ANTHONY, ST MAWES

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THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME ~ YEAR A

DIVINE OFFICE ~ Week 2

SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER <i>OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE</i>	Truro St Mawes	10.00 am 5.00 pm	Mass Mass	People of the parish Thanksgiving
MONDAY 27 NOVEMBER <i>Weekday</i>	NO MASS			
TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER <i>Weekday</i>	NO MASS			
WEDNESDAY 29 NOVEMBER <i>St Cuthbert Mayne, Pr M; Mem Secondary Patron of the Diocese</i>	Truro Truro	10.00 am 10.45 am	Mass 'Franciscan at Home'	Michelle Warne int
THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER <i>St Andrew, Apostle; FEAST</i>	Truro	10.00 am	Mass	Thanksgiving
FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER <i>Weekday</i>	Truro	10.00 am	Mass <i>followed by Adoration until mid-day</i>	Violet Ruby Polkinghorne RIP
SATURDAY 2 DECEMBER <i>Vigil Mass for Sunday</i>	Truro	6.00 pm	Mass	Tom Sutcliffe RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Fridays 11.15 to 11.50 am; other days/times by appointment

NEXT WEEKEND : FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ YEAR B

REFLECTION:

"If we wish to make any progress in the service of God,  
we must begin every day of our life with new eagerness."

St Charles Borromeo



“The Redeemer of Man, Jesus Christ,  
is the centre of the universe and of history.”

[Pope St John Paul II, Encyclical 'Redemptor Hominis']

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, which marks the final Sunday of the liturgical year.

**POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER** ~ for the Pope: we pray for the Holy Father – as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

**PRAYER REQUEST:** Please remember to pray for our sick and housebound parishioners, and for those who have died recently.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY ~ YOUNG PEOPLE:** World Youth Day is this Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> November, Feast of Christ the King, a day on which Pope Francis invites the global Church to celebrate and pray for young people. In Lisbon this year, Pope Francis told young people that “Jesus' door is always open: Come and See!”

**THANK-YOU:** Pat Roberts wishes to say a huge thank-you for all the wonderful gifts, cards, visits and congratulations that she received on her 100th birthday. She is very moved by everyone's kindness and generosity. Thank you one and all.

**DEACON ANDREW:** Please join us in the hall after Mass on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December to celebrate the anniversary of Dn Andrew's ordination to the diaconate (2<sup>nd</sup> December 2005) and his retirement as parish deacon.

**DOMESTIC ABUSE:** The parish is hoping to run a short course on Domestic Abuse Awareness starting in January 2024. This would be a series of 5 half-hour Zoom sessions offered by the organisation Restored [www.restored-uk.org](http://www.restored-uk.org) The day and time are still to be decided. If you are interested in taking part or would like to know more, please contact our Safeguarding Rep, Jean Anderson, via the parish office email.

**FRANCISCAN AT HOME:** A new course entitled: 'The Church: Dispenser of the Mysteries and Guardian of the Deposit of Faith' has just started but it is not too late to join. It is an 8-week programme running in-person on Wednesday mornings as well as on Zoom on

Thursday evenings. There are 3 more sessions before Christmas and 4 afterwards. Wednesday in-person sessions are at 10.45 am, after Mass, in the hall; Thursday Zoom sessions are at 7.30 pm and last for one hour. If you would like to join the Zoom group, please email the parish office for joining instructions. For more information about the course, please see the notice-board in the narthex. All are welcome.

**ADVENT EVENING PRAYER:** Deacon Andrew invites you to join him for Advent Evening Prayer on Zoom, starting on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, at 6 pm. For more information and joining instructions, please email: [andrew.shute@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:andrew.shute@prcdtr.org.uk)

**'WALK WITH ME' ADVENT BOOKLETS:** These booklets of daily reflections for the season of Advent are now for sale in the narthex, price £1 each.

**ADVENT RETREAT DAY ~ 'PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD':** Deacon Nick Johnson will lead this retreat day on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December at St Rita's Centre, Honiton. The day will begin with coffee/tea at 9.30 am and finish with Mass at 3.15 pm. There will be 3 talks as well as a time of Adoration and opportunity for Confession. The charge, including lunch, is just £25.00. Payment can be made on the day.

To book: phone 01404 42635

or email [admin@stritascentre.org](mailto:admin@stritascentre.org)

or book online at [www.stritascentre.org/events](http://www.stritascentre.org/events)

**SOUP LUNCH:** The final soup lunch of the year is on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December, from 12 noon until the soup runs out! Join us for home-made soups and bread & cheese. Everyone is welcome - good food and good company.

**YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!** Could you spare a couple of hours once a fortnight, or once a month, to help with any of the following: coffee after Sunday Mass, flowers, cleaning the church and hall, polishing the brass? If so, please speak with Rosemary, the parish secretary.

**ITEMS FOR THE BULLETIN:** Please email any items for the parish bulletin to [truro@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:truro@prcdtr.org.uk) by Thursday morning at the latest.

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*A cleric found himself wondering whether there were any golf courses in Heaven. He even began to ask the question in his prayers. One day, in answer to his prayers, he received a direct answer from on high. "Yes," said the heavenly messenger, "there are many excellent golf courses in Heaven. The greens are always in first class condition, the weather is always perfect and you always get to play with the very nicest people." "Oh, thank you," said the cleric, "That really is marvellous news." "Yes isn't it?" replied the messenger, "And we've got you down for a foursome next Saturday."*