

## Weekly Notices:

**Sunday Refreshments** – Are you able to assist with making drinks after the 10am parish mass each Sunday? Please sign the list if you can assist.

**Christian Aid Lent Lunches**, at the Methodist Chapel School Rooms – **Fridays 13, 20, 27 March and 3 April** between 12noon and 2pm.

**Fairtrade BIG Breakfast** – **Saturday 14 March 11am – 1pm, St. Gluvias Church.** Please try your best to support this event after Stations of the Cross.

**Fairtrade Fortnight** – **Monday 24 February – Sunday 8 March 2020.** Think Fairtrade for Bananas, Chocolate, Tea, Coffee, Spices, Sugars & Spreads, Sweets & Snacks, Wine, Cotton, Flowers.....and even Gold.

**Dressing up as a giant banana is not mandatory!**

**Finances** – We are fully aware that times are hard for everyone, which is why we ask that you take time to review your regular offering and to see if you are able to help by increasing what you already offer.

If you do wish to switch to the **Parish Giving Scheme** or want details of how this works, you are asked to speak with Mr Paul Campbell in the first instance.

If you can consider this call for help in 2020 it would be much appreciated. Thank you.

**Volunteer needed to assist the Treasurer** – Is anyone willing to take on the role of **Gift Aid/Freewill Offering Officer**.....in short, co-ordinating the 'Blue Envelope Scheme'. If so, please speak with Roderick Dare.

### 100 Club – March Winners

1<sup>st</sup> – Annie Jones, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Carolyn Power, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Anne Newman

### ✠ Stations of the Cross Saturdays 14, 21 & 28 March and Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April @10am

*Please join us for a brief service as we follow in Christ's journey with the Cross. The services will be followed with refreshments.*

**The Bishop of Truro, Philip Mounstephen** will be presiding at the 10am mass on **Palm Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April.**

**NB: Please inform the churchwardens of any notices for the pew sheet by noon on Thursday**

### Post Communion Prayer:

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

# ST. GLUVIAS, PENRYN WEEKLY NOTICES



## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT SUNDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020

10.00am - Family Mass

Hymns: NEH 76, 457, 453, 307, 359

If you do not normally receive Holy Communion, please still come to the rail with everyone else. Carry the Mass book as a sign that you wish to receive a blessing.

### Week Services:

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

9.15am – Low Mass

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

10am – Stations of the Cross

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March – Third Sunday of Lent**

10am – Sung Mass

### Collect

Almighty God,  
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness:  
grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading: a reading from **Genesis 12:1-4a**

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.

I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Second Reading: a reading from **Romans 4:1-5, 13-17**

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh?

For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness."

Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith.

If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") -- in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

The Gospel *according to* **John 3:1-17**

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God."

Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?"

Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things?"

No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

#### **Coronavirus (COVID-19) guidance for parishes by CofE**

The threat by COVID-19 has been assessed by the Chief Medical Officer as 'moderate'. The risk to individuals remains low.

Churches *should already be following best-hygiene practices* that include advising parishioners with coughs and sneezes to **refrain from handshaking during The Peace** and to **receive Communion in one kind only**.

*Thursday 20th February 2020*

#### Weekly Prayer Intentions:

##### **Mission and Ministry of this Parish:**

For those living and working in Penryn. For the parish of St. Gluvias and a growth in our congregation.

For the homeless in our parish and throughout the country. For those that rely on the support of the Foodbank.

We pray for **Revd Hugh Nelson** who is to be installed as the next Bishop of St. Germans. We pray for Hugh and his family, as they prepare to relocate to Cornwall in April.

##### **For the World:**

We pray for victims of terrorism the world over; for all affected by atrocities around the world. Particularly for persecuted Christians.

We continue to pray for the people across Syria who have suffered for so long and continue to suffer. For those fleeing violence and oppression. For all exploited by people smugglers and for refugees across the world. For an end to the violence in Gaza and Israel.

For those affected by natural disasters around the world. Help us to value the environment so that we can all work to reverse climate change and global warming.

##### **For those suffering in mind, body or spirit especially:**

Pauline Milan, Geoffrey Philpott, Christine Martin, Edna Lytle, Kevin Jose, Rob Coward, Ruby Jeffrey, Joan Wood, Maria Strachan, Michael Newman, Sylvia and Brenda. Chris who is awaiting a liver transplant.

**Recently departed:** Silvia Bartlett RIP

**Those who years mind:** Thomas Gill, Gladys Woodward (11<sup>th</sup>) and George Kingdon (14<sup>th</sup>).

**Home Visits** – if you know of anyone who is unable to attend church but would like to receive communion or a visit from a priest, please let the Churchwardens know.

Website: <https://stgluvias.org.uk/>

#### **Prayer for FAIRTRADE**

Lord God, in the fields of the poor even when abundant fruits ripen, injustice sweeps them away, and families hunger.  
Help us to share the fruits of your bounty so that all your family may benefit from your gracious gifts.

*Based on Proverbs 13:23*