



## POPE FRANCIS RIP

We were all sad to hear the news this week of the death of Pope Francis but we also give thanks for his life, ministry and witness as we pray for the repose of his soul. As Canon Paul Cummins, our Diocesan Administrator said: 'Pope Francis lived out Gospel values; he was a man of prayer, a friend to the marginalised and persecuted, he worked tirelessly for peace, the care of the environment was very important to him. His recent document on Synodality encouraged prayerful listening as a way of discerning God's will. Pope Francis' time as Pontiff has had a profound influence on the way we understand the Church and our mission to proclaim the Gospel'.

Over the following weeks, we will be joining together in prayer as a Parish for Pope Francis, and for the whole Church, as his successor is chosen through the prompting of the Holy Spirit. This includes:

**This Sunday at Penzance** – Our Church will open at 4pm for quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and the opportunity to light a candle and listen to Scripture Readings for the dead. Then at 5pm we will celebrate Choral Evening Prayer for the Dead.

**Requiem Masses for Pope Francis** – A Requiem Mass will be celebrated at each of our mainland Churches on:

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 10am at St Ives;  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May 7pm at Penzance, and  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 10am at Hayle.

**Prayer cards** – These will be available soon.

**Canon Paul's full statement and other diocesan information** – Visit [www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk](http://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk)

**Obituary** – Visit the Bishops of England and Wales website [www.cbcew.org.uk](http://www.cbcew.org.uk).

**Video statement from Cardinal Vincent Nichols** – Available now on YouTube

## PARISH INFORMATION

**200 Club:** Subscriptions now due, still £24 per number! Payments may be made by cheque to Penwith RC Parish 200 Club or cash to the office. New members welcome, there are numbers available.

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May after 10am Mass Penzance Church Hall. Book Club:** New members always welcome.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 1.45pm in Penzance Church Hall. Bingo:**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2pm at Trevelloe House, Lamorna TR19 6NX: Bluebell walk:** Peter & Debs invite you, your friends and family, to come and see the bluebells - and help us raise money for CAFOD with a donation of £5 per person or £2.50 for children plus a raffle and auction. Sit in the garden with tea/coffee and cake and walk through the woods to enjoy bluebells close up! Dogs on a lead are welcome.

**Thank you # 1:** To everyone who made our Parish Holy Week/Easter such a worthy celebration.

**Thank you # 2:** To all who attended our ecumenical lent lunches in Penzance this year. £1,474.83 was raised for Christian Aid and CAFOD.

## OTHER EVENTS AND INFORMATION

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May at Buckfast Abbey.**

**Evangelisation Day:** A day exploring the nature of mission and how we can put it into practice in our daily lives. Book through [plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:plymouth-crownhill@prcdtr.org.uk) or 01752 701660.

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 6.30pm at High Street Methodist Church, Penzance. Taize Service:**  
A celebration of God's unending generosity.

## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

**All who are sick and housebound including:** Ray & Christine Blaker, Tom Dauncey Jnr, Sue Rowies, Hugo, Caroline Schofield, Grace Bailey, Fr. Richard Finn O.P, John Chamberlain, Sheila Devey, Basil & Helen Perry, Poppy, Barbara Hanik, Patricia Martin, Noah, Frank Meszaros, Elliot Smith, Daniel Williams, Lucy James, Patrick Ansell, Barbara Maseyk, Eleanor Greaves, Eileen Woolmington, Louis Carter, Patrick O'Dwyer, Joyce Sanderson, Molly Salter, Francis Malone-Lee, Ian Tomlinson, Pat Crellin, Molly McFadden, Michael Greene, Maria Hall, Pat McWilliams, Phil, Jean Ward, Mick Hanley, Rolfe Wilson, Pam Szlichta Maria Dunne, Theresa McDougall, Ann Booth, Glynis Bailey, Betty King, Margaret Bourne, Richard Keats, Audrey Evans, Branok, Eleanor Woulfe, Maurice Woulfe, Roger Talbot, Mary Jasper.

We also pray for all the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries are at this time.