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# Gather 2014

## – The Joy of the Gospel

**It was with eager anticipation that clergy, catechists and others involved passing on the faith, arrived at the Toorak Hotel, Torquay, for the Diocesan annual Gather 2014 weekend.**

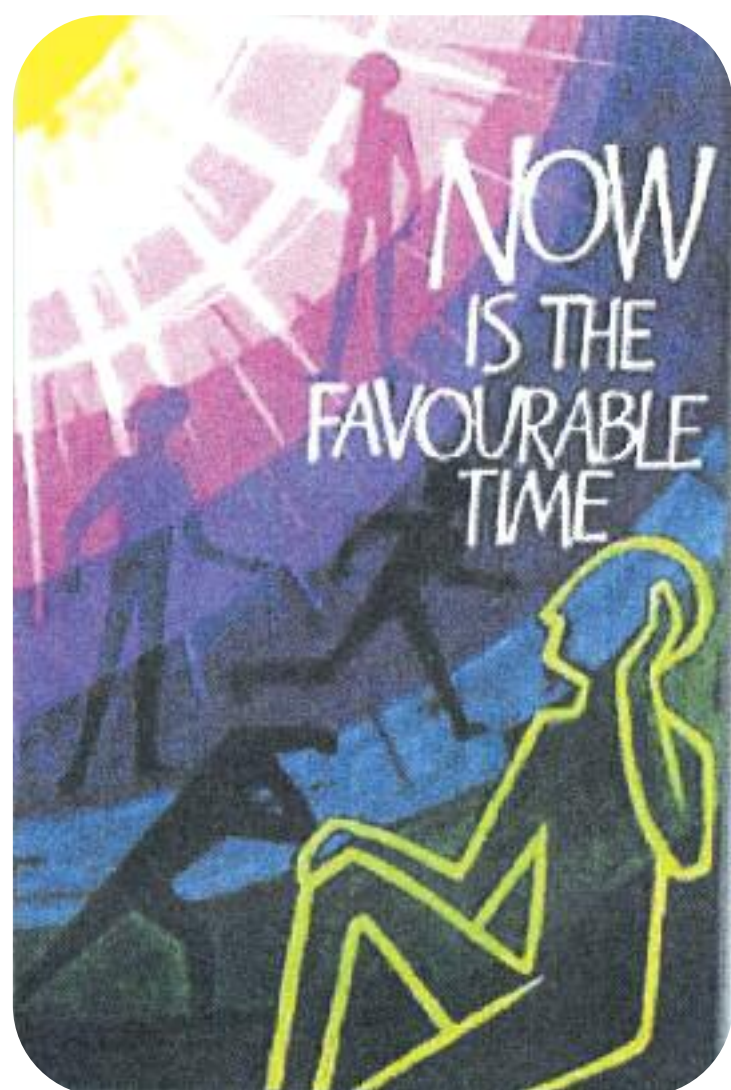
The event was advertised as 'An opportunity – open to all – to consider Pope Francis' first Apostolic Exhortation 'The Joy of the Gospel' in which he encourages us to embark on a new chapter of evangelisation marked by joy and points out to us new paths for the church's journey in the years to come. So many people had applied for a place that we filled the entire hotel and, whilst outside the weather outside was dreadful with heavy rain and storm force winds, inside the 'Joy of the Gospel' was in evidence from the start.

Gather 2013 focused on the 2nd Vatican council but this year building on the outcomes of the November 2013 New Evangelisation Symposium 'Go and Announce the Gospel of the Lord', we were much more in the territory of the heart. Pope Francis asks us to look at and refresh our relationship with Christ ("I encourage all Christians to a renewed personal

encounter" EG3), so diocesan priests Frs Keith Mitchell (Bodmin), Mark Skelton (Poole) and Jonathan Stewart (Teignmouth) were asked if they would share something of their own personal faith stories. Each of them mentioned how it was a challenge to put the book down and speak from the heart. But they rose to the task and the honesty and feeling of their talks touched all who were there and encouraged the delegates to share their own experiences with one another. One delegate summed up the weekend in their feedback with the words "powerfully encouraging".

Gather 2015 will take place from 6th to 8th February so, if you'd like to attend put the dates in your diary now and keep a watchful eye out for the booking forms.

**Jonathan Henderson  
Advisor for Adult Formation and New  
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## Lenten Station Masses

**Bishop Mark has asked that this Lent, his first with our Diocese, will be his opportunity to be with the priests, deacons, religious and people of each Deanery and for Mass to be celebrated with each one. His journey around the Diocese began in the Torbay Deanery where, on Friday 7th March, he celebrated the Station Mass for the Deanery at Our Lady Help of Christians & St Denis, St Marychurch.**

The 'Station Mass' takes its name from previous times when Popes held Station Masses in Rome; this practice has been taken up by Bishops in Dioceses. We are joining that tradition handed on to us in love from those times, which gives us the opportunity to celebrate with Bishop Mark and with all who are part of our gift of faith in each area.

Thank you to all who help our faith to be celebrated and to grow, and who have helped to bring us together this evening.

**Rev Canon Patrick Costello VF  
Dean**



Bishop Mark had arrived in the Deanery on Ash Wednesday and spent time with his Priests, both active and retired, as well as attending the regular Deanery meeting at Buckfast. At the Station Mass



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# Lenten Station Masses



Bishop Mark was joined by Canon Pat Costello (Dean), Canons Michael Howard (retired), Michael Lock, Mgrs George Hay (retired), Adrian Toffolo and David Silk (retired), Frs Michael Cain, Guy de Gaynesford, Kristian Paver, Sunny Paul, Jonathan Stewart, John Smethurst, Martin Stone and Revv Deacons Anthony

Irwin, Robert Giampaglia and Joe Owen. They gathered together with parishioners from all across the Deanery to 'celebrate the sacred liturgies'. During the entrance hymn 'Again we keep this solemn fast' <sup>1</sup> Altar Servers, Priests, Deacons together with Bishop Mark, made solemn procession to the Sanctuary.

The Penitential Rite was sung and Readers and Singers from parishes across the Deanery joining Deacon Robert Giampaglia and Bishop Mark in the celebration of the Liturgy of the Word, Prayers of the Faithful and Offertory Procession.

Mass continued with Eucharistic Prayer 1 and, after Communion, Post-Communion Prayer, Dismissal and Blessing all joined in signing the recessional hymn 'Our Father we have wandered' <sup>2</sup>.

**Richard Stead**  
**Torbay Deanery**

the Great and translated by Peter J. Scagnelli. Pope Gregory 1 was born in Rome about 540 AD; his family was distinguished not only for its rank and social consideration, but for its piety and good works.

<sup>2</sup> This hymn of lament, based on the story of the Prodigal Son in Luke 15, it is a wonderful reminder of our unworthiness and the incredible grace of God: "In haste you come to meet us and home rejoicing bring, in gladness there to greet us, with calf and robe and ring."

**Editor:** it was a privilege to be present at the Station Mass for Torbay Deanery and, as parishioner of Our Lady Help of Christians & St Denis, delighted to see our beautiful church 'full to bursting'. From beginning to end, the Station Mass was a truly joyful occasion and an opportunity for everyone to welcome Bishop Mark to one small part of his very large Diocese.

<sup>1</sup> Author (ascribed to) Pope St Gregory



**Bishop Mark delivers the Homily**



**Deacon Robert Giampaglia reads the Gospel**



**Bishop Mark with Rev Deacons Tony Irwin and Robert Giampaglia**



# Apostleship of the Sea (AoS) April update

## The wilderness of the sea reflects the immensity of God's love for us



**Paul Atkinson, port chaplain to Blyth and Tyne tells us: "All AoS chaplains carry copies of Bible Alive and Bibles in various languages. During Lent we encourage seafarers to focus on the appropriate scriptures and see Lent as a journey home, like the ship they are sailing on, to their families. Because of modern shipping and fast turn around times we have very limited time with the seafarers we serve, so we need to catch a few minutes here and there.**

We encourage them to read the book of Exodus, which tells of the journey and struggle of the Israelites to the Promised

Land, which was their journey home. We also encourage them to read about Jesus' 40 days and nights in the wilderness that the gospels describe."

Father Colum Kelly, port chaplain to Immingham, Grimsby and the River Trent, explained that the liturgical season for a seafarer doesn't always coincide with that in parishes. "For example, I will start to celebrate Christmas Masses way before December 25, simply because ships may be leaving our port on long voyages with little chance to celebrate the feast on the particular day. It's the same with Lent. Another difficulty in focusing on a liturgical season for a seafarer is the lack of signs. For us we associate Lent with the beginning of the new life of spring, a renewal of the earth. On land we see buds, we see colour changes, the white of the crocus changing to the yellow of the daffodil, to the blue of the bluebell, all shaking off the sleep of winter, awakening to a new hope, a different smell in the air. It's a spiritual reawakening in us, casting off the clothing of winter.

"The seafarer doesn't see any of this. Their voyages take them through many different climates in different hemispheres. Hot and cold, rough and calm; these are the elements that engage the senses of the seaman. So it is left to the power of imagination and recall of the beauty of spring in their own lands. The beauty of new possibilities."

Father Colum drew a parallel between a seafarer being at sea, which is a kind of wilderness, and Lent. "The oceans are vast. But I always stress that the wilderness of the sea is not emptiness. Some of the most powerful messages from the Lord were delivered in the wilderness, for example, the Ten Commandments and the exile in Babylon.

"The wilderness of the sea and its vastness can be seen as the immensity of God's love for us. How far can you see? As far as the horizon, they say. That's how much God loves you. And as for the horizon, that is just a limitation of our sight, there are no horizons in God's love for us."

Fr Colum often celebrates the Ash Wednesday liturgy on board a ship. One particular celebration he remembers was on a ship which had spent six weeks in Immingham undergoing repairs after being battered in a force 10 gale in the Bay of Biscay. "The ship was due to leave on Ash Wednesday and the crew were happy and relieved and wearing the new clothes we had provided for them. When I sat down after Communion I looked at the faces of the lads, marked with the sign of the cross, and thought of them not as the crosses of the sinner in Lent but as seals of God's delight in them. They had endured their Lent in the weeks of uncertainty prior to this Ash Wednesday, and now they were truly marked with the sign of redemption."

**The Lord your God has blessed you in all you do; he has watched over your journeying through this vast desert. The Lord your God has been with you these forty years and you have never been in want.' Deuteronomy 2:7**



## South West Filipinos cultural fundraiser for typhoon survivors

**Three months on from the devastating effects of Typhoon Haiyan the people of Devon and Cornwall enjoyed a special cultural fundraising event to support the survivors.**

Merlyn McGuire, from Callington, who knows many of the affected families, organised the event at Launceston Town Hall on 8th February, the day the typhoon struck. Merlyn and members of the Devon and Cornwall Filipino Community treated supporters to a Dinner Dance with traditional Filipino food and a Fashion Show. All proceeds will go to CAFOD's Philippines Typhoon Haiyan Appeal.

Merlyn said: "We wanted to thank people who have already made a difference to peoples' lives through their donations by sharing some of the spirit and colour of the Philippines and also ask for their continued support to help them rebuild their lives. I'm going to the Philippines next month with my niece, my daughter and my husband to visit some relief operations provided by the Catholic Church. I will let the people there know of the wonderful support of the people in Devon and Cornwall and bring back news of how the money is being used."

Typhoon Haiyan struck the Philippines on the 8th November and has affected over 13 million people by severely damaging power, transport and water systems as well as destroying thousands of families' homes and livelihoods.

People in the South West have already raised over £115,000. Thanks to this support CAFOD's church partners were able to start responding within hours of the typhoon's impact. So far, they have provided emergency food, shelter, water and hygiene kits to tens of thousands of people. They also have set up "cash-for-work" programmes to clear debris, paying volunteers for the work so that they have money to cover their basic needs. In the longer term, CAFOD will help people to construct more permanent homes and make a living once again.

CAFOD Manager for Devon and Cornwall



Simon Giarchi said: "This was a fun and inspiring event led by our fantastic friends from the Filipino Community in Devon and Cornwall, many of whom have family and friends whose lives have been devastated by Typhoon Haiyan. This was a great opportunity for people across the South West to join the Filipino community to show support and solidarity with them and find out more about the cultures and foods of the Philippines whilst raising vital funds for CAFOD's emergency response."

For further information please contact Merlyn McGuire 07962875223 or Simon Giarchi 01364 645440.

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**Filipino Traditional Dance**  
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**Merlyn McGuire with the Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Launceston**  
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A legacy does not need to be a large sum of money; a gift in a Will however large or small plays an important part in continuing the Society's work. It is an inspiring way to show you care by providing support and security to children and families when they need it most.

Each year more and more families ask for help in their hour of need when they are struggling to cope due to extraordinary circumstances such as a sudden illness or bereavement; redundancy or long term unemployment; eviction or poor living conditions. The requests are many and varied but the impact a grant can have on a person's life is immense.

To receive a leaflet or for more information and advice on including the CCS in your Will, or amending an existing Will, please contact Heather Rothwell in the office on 01364 645420 or visit [www.ccsplymouth.org.uk](http://www.ccsplymouth.org.uk). The leaflets will also be available in your parish.

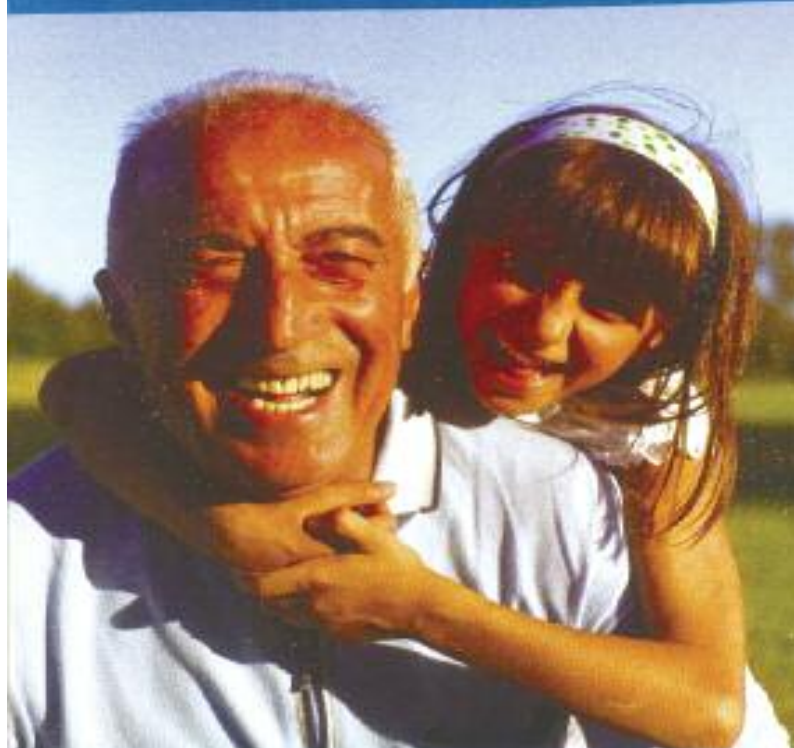
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**Claire Warren**  
Catholic Children's Society Plymouth

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## Diocesan News

# Clear Voices

## 2014

### 27th – 29th June

Clear Voices is a three day 'build your own' festival of Catholic religious thought and expression. The festival sets out to engage the heart and mind. Over 40 speakers will address us on matters as diverse as 'The Theology of Hope', 'The Book of Revelation', 'How to Read a Graveyard' and 'Forgiveness.'

Dana Scanlon, known for a string of hits in the late sixties/early seventies, including 'All kinds of Everything' which won the Eurovision Song Contest for Ireland in 1969, will be appearing at Clear Voices. It was Dana's Catholic faith that motivated her to campaign on a range of "family" issues and she was elected as an MEP in 1997.

Nowadays Dana writes spiritual music. In 1987 she sang Totus Tuus before Pope John Paul II and 80,000 people in the Superdome, New Orleans and in 1993 she performed her song "We are One Body" at World Youth Day in Colorado. Since then she has performed at World Youth Day celebrations in Paris, Toronto and Sydney. At Clear Voices she will be talking about her life, her music and performing some of her songs.

You will see that Clear Voices 2014 has much to offer - participants will have the opportunity to learn, for example, about Pope Francis and what he wants from us; the mystical experiences of Julian of Norwich; the spiritual exercises of St Ignatius and the theological investigations of Karl Rahner; to explore the writings of C S Lewis and to understand how to be with someone when they are dying or how to help children sing.

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## Diocesan News Catholic Women's League, Devon Branch



Annie Rolls, founder member of the Ottery St Mary section died on 14th January aged 102. Annie was a loyal and hard working member of the Catholic Women's League and attended the Devon Branch 'Margaret Clitherow Mass' celebration in August last year. Annie will be sadly missed by family and friends; may she rest in peace. Annie is pictured at her 101st Birthday Party.

Rosemary Stapley, who worked for 41 years with the International Christians Fellowship (ICF) in India, was guest speaker at an ecumenical Carols and Christmas Nibbles party in Ottery St Mary. Find out more about Rosemary and her work with ICF on <https://www.facebook.com/rosemary.stapley>

**Mary Derry**  
CWL Devon Branch Liaison Officer



## Plymouth Deanery

# Flores de Mayo and Santacrusan 2014

**Bishop Mark O'Toole will be joining the annual Flores de Mayo and Santacrusan Procession on 4th May.**

The procession is a typical and traditional Filipino event, a festival of flowers, celebrated during the month of May in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The celebration includes 'Santacrusan' an annual religious/historical event held in many towns and

cities in the Philippines. Santacrusan depicts the searching and finding of the Holy Cross by Queen Helena, mother of Constantine the Great, who was a new convert of Christianity.

After the Holy Cross was found in Jerusalem and brought back to Rome, it was welcomed with a joyful celebration of thanksgiving.

This year the procession will

start from the Plymouth City Centre at 4.15pm with participants, young and old, dressed in beautiful gowns representing biblical characters.

Children dressed as angels will strew flowers before the image of the Blessed Virgin carried during the procession.

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Crowds walking with the statue of Our Lady during the 2013 Santacrusan procession.



## Cornwall Deanery

# Churches Together in Falmouth and Penryn

**I was indeed saddened on reading Lee Bray's article in CSW February 2014 regarding the difficulties faced by Churches Together in Torquay, as there seemed little support from Ministers or lay folk. What particularly struck me was the lack of Clergy initiatives and of involvement in any outreach practical project. Often a little seed grows and grows when people come together to work on a practical project for the local community.**

Falmouth and Penryn Churches Together (FPCT) now consists of 18 different Christian Groups. It was started way back in the 80s by Canon Bede Davis (RIP) and there is no official constitution. Evangelical churches participate with much enthusiasm as do Quakers, Roman Catholics, Baptists, Methodists, Free Churches, Church of England and the Salvation Army. Each church may be represented by the Minister and two others. Forum meetings are held every two months, usually with

a special focus, and with feedback from the outreach groups. There is a chairperson (currently a laywoman), secretary, treasurer and missionary for outreach. The ministers meet regularly for a lunch together. The activities of FPCT have snowballed over the last ten years and currently include: Kidz Klub; Footsteps Coffee Shop; Men's Breakfasts; Foodbank; Women's "Be Beautiful" meetings; Street Pastors; Services monthly in local care homes; Prayer Group for Justice, Peace and Persecuted Christians; A Prayer Tent on our Piazza; School Chaplaincies and Representation on the Town Forum Events in the last year: A week of Individual Guided Prayer (30 people participated); The Walk Cornwall 2 Mission; Pulpit Exchanges in Church Unity Week; Live Nativity through our streets at Christmas and Good Friday Walk of Witness.

Future events: Now that Lent has begun we are planning a slightly different focus for our Walk of Witness, with Jesus carrying His cross through the

town's main street. We hope to have a Chaplaincy Team of 3 Ministers for the 3 days of the Tall Ships' Race and to distribute New Testaments to all the 35 ships' crews. And, we are meeting to plan a completion of Walk Cornwall 2 in our town so that every street will have been visited.

New initiatives: A quarterly Sunday evening United Service – our most recent one being hosted by the Harbour Church with 130 people present – and a monthly afternoon celebration for people with learning disabilities.

We thank God for the ways in which he has led us and continues to guide our endeavours. I hope that Churches Together in Torquay may have a little seed sown that will grow, as indeed ours has.

**Mary Bradley**  
**Parish of St Mary**

(Falmouth, Helston, Mullion and Mawnan Smith)



## Friends of Launceston Priory



On 24th February 1539 over four hundred years of local monastic life came to a sudden end with the Dissolution of Launceston Priory, once the largest Priory in Cornwall, and now just a heap of ruins behind St. Thomas' church. On 24th February 2014, four hundred and seventy five years later, this event was remembered at an ecumenical service of Compline at the church, organised by the Friends of Launceston Priory. The service was led by Parish Priest Fr David Annear, disguised as a medieval monk, and the Anglican Team Vicar of Launceston Rev Mary Williamson. Despite the wet winter evening there was a good congregation and the singing was led by St. Mary Magdalene church choir (including Byrd's "Ave verum corpus"). Afterwards the local Girl Guides kindly served refreshments in St Thomas' Hall.

**Fr David Annear**  
**PP St Cuthbert Mayne, Launceston**

## Fair Trade Day in Truro Cathedral

Saturday 22nd February, which for Scouts and Guides is known as 'Thinking Day' in honour of the joint birthdays of their founders, stimulated another kind of 'thinking' in Truro Cathedral - Fair Trade Thinking.

Stalls were set out at the back of the centre aisle and a display from St Ives

School occupied the centre space. The Cathedral's two shops displayed a range of very highly coloured mirrors – sort of punky style - and other more standard stock including children's toys. Truro City Council provided details of their own support as an organisation, and information regarding outlets: Weleda provides toiletries and skin care products using the same visit formula as Tupperware used to; Mum 123 is new outlet in Truro offering baby and toddler supplies from Fair Trade sources.

The Diocesan Fair Trade Hub was there in force, offering tastings of chocolate and rice plus a large display of foods available on a sale or return basis to churches and other stallholders. The Cathedral Stall is open after the morning service on the 3rd Sunday of each month. There were leaflets from Camborne, now a Fair Trade town spearheaded by the Council with church and organisational support. Nomads catalogues of clothing for younger women were displayed - information leaflets from Gerrans Church Roseland Hub states they will take their stall supporting Tradecraft to other sites.

Other local events during the next two weeks include a visit from a banana producer from St Lucia who will be the speaker at a luncheon organised at St George's Church, Truro on 26th February. There will also be stalls in the Farmer's Market, 1st March and at Kenwyn Church 2pm 7th March.



## Happy Birthday to you

Margaret Pritchard is pictured celebrating her 103rd Birthday in January. Margaret is a formerly parishioner the Church of

Sacred Heart & St Ives – part of the Holy Family Parish; she has now moved to Truro where she lives with her daughter and son-in-law.

**Shelia Pilley**  
**Holy Family Parish**

## The Sewing Up Stamps Project

Details have now been received regarding the four young women recipients of the first Sewing Machines funded from Cornwall by Albania Community Assist. Following a successful training course these women are now factory out-workers, repair neighbours clothing and make small garments to sell in markets: Bukurije is a young widow with an eight-month-old baby. Her parents both died in 2012 and her husband in 2013. She lives in a North Albanian town where the National Hero, Skanderbeg is buried. Velentina and Dashuri and their children, who live in a town in Southern Albania, now have police protection from former violent husbands. They worked as cleaners for about 50p an hour and incurred debts. Alferdita has two young children, a husband in a wheelchair, a live-in mother-in-law and no benefits; she and her family live in a run-down oil town in Central Albania. Alferdita gathered food from dustbins, cans from the town tip or street begged.

The next contribution to ACA will be sent just before Easter; money for two machines has been donated already and suitable items from the large stamp collection are going to an Auction House shortly.

You can see from their stories that, before they received help from the project, the lives of Bukurije, Velentina, Dashuri and Alferdita and their families were very different. Your support for the project is invaluable, thank you.

**Editor:** if you can help raise funds for this charity, please contact me on felicitystead@btinternet.com and I will let you know what kind of stamps are needed and where to send them or how to make a donation.

## Women's World Day of Prayer

This global ecumenical organisation was founded in the U.S.A. circa 1887 and is now celebrated on the first Friday of March in over one hundred countries.

The British headquarters is in Tunbridge Wells and registered as a charity and nineteen Christian denominations in Britain have appointed representatives. The charity also makes grants, in some cases substantial ones, to a long list of world-wide applicants.

On 6th March 2014 the Cornish branch met in St. Kenwyn Church Truro for the annual prescribed service, followed by tea. The format of the service, which aims not only to provide a focus for worship but information about the country selected, varies slightly. The theme for 2014 was Streams in the Desert and the presentation, prepared by Egyptian women, included hymns, prayers, mime and Bible readings.

The speaker was Fr. Polycarpus, a monk from the Coptic Orthodox Church, who now lives in Buckfast Abbey (he has also written an overview of that church in book form). The Coptic Orthodox leader is also known as a Pope, Shenouda 111 died recently and his elected successor is Pope Tawadros, the 118th Pope of Alexandria – one of the four original Christian Sees. Fr. Polycarpus explained the origins of his church and then spoke about the life and activities of a monk, which involves much prayer and fasting.

During the service the ladies of St Kenwyn Church processed with flowers and other artefacts and poured water into a bowl on a table laid with cloths and candles. Some wore costumes to represent various groups of Egyptian women - a student, a farm worker, an office worker and the ancient Egyptian Isis.

**Primrose Peacock**  
**Truro**



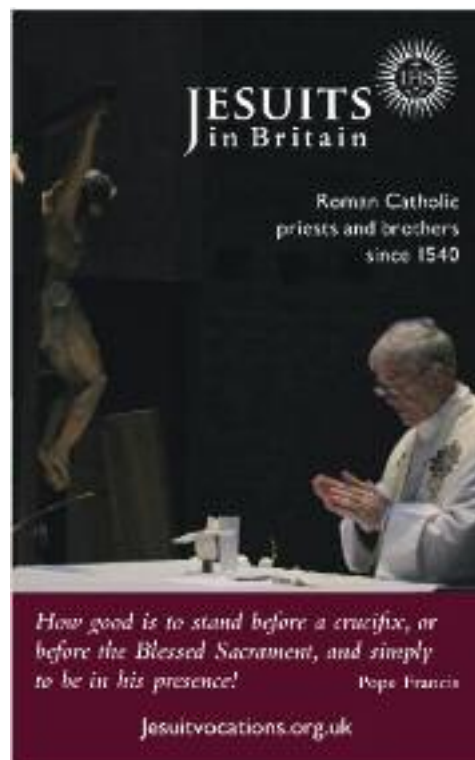
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## Wider News

# Virtual Booklet marks Pope Francis' first year

The Vatican has released a **virtual book** to mark the first anniversary of Pope Francis' election. Called 'Do We Want to Become Holy? Yes or No?' the 36-page book includes some of the most striking of Francis' messages since he became the Successor of St. Peter on 13th March 2013. Each of the quotes is linked to the full text of the address from which it comes. The accompanying photos show the Holy Father living out the words he's expressed, giving glimpses of his joy, recollection, seriousness and humour. To access the virtual book visit [http://www.vatican.va/auguri-francesco/pont\\_2014/en/index.html#34](http://www.vatican.va/auguri-francesco/pont_2014/en/index.html#34)

## Angelus address on the First Sunday of Lent

The readings for the First Sunday of Lent told us of the temptation in the Garden of Eden, of sin and redemption, and of Jesus' temptation of in the wilderness. The theme of Pope Francis' address to pilgrims gathered for the Angelus in St Peter's Square was 'Temptation.' He said:

Dear brothers and sisters, hello! The Gospel of the first Sunday of Lent presents us every year with an episode about the temptations of Jesus, when the Holy Spirit descended upon him and, after the baptism in the Jordan, drove him to confront Satan openly in the desert for 40 days before beginning his public mission.

The tempter tries to lead Jesus away from the Father's plan, that is, from the path of sacrifice, of the love that offers itself in expiation. He wants to lead Jesus down an easy road, a road of success and power. In their duel Jesus and Satan fire rounds of Scripture at each other. In fact, Satan, to steer Jesus away from the cross, presents him with false messianic hopes: economic well-being, indicated by the possibility of transforming bread into stones; the spectacular and miracistic ("miracolistico") style, with the idea of throwing himself down from the highest



point of the temple of Jerusalem and being saved by the angels; and finally the shortcut of power and dominion in exchange for worshipping Satan.

These are the 3 groups of temptations. We too know them well! Jesus decisively rejects all of these temptations and reaffirms his unwavering will to follow the path set by the Father, without any compromise with sin or the world's logic. Note well how Jesus replies. He does not dialogue with Satan, as Eve did in the earthly paradise. Jesus knows well that you cannot dialogue with Satan. Satan is quite astute. For this reason Jesus, instead of dialoguing with Satan like Eve did, chooses to take refuge in the Word of God and answers with the force of this Word. Let us remember this: in the moment of temptation, in our temptations, we should not argue with Satan, but always defend ourselves with the Word of God! And this will save us. In his replies to Satan, the Lord, using the Word of God, reminds us

above all that "not by bread alone does man live but by every word that comes from the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4; cf. Deuteronomy 8:3); and this gives us strength, it sustains us in the struggle against the worldly mentality that lowers man to the level of basic needs, causing him to lose the hunger for what is true, good and beautiful, the hunger for God and his love.

Furthermore, Jesus reminds us that "it is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test'" (Matthew 4:7), because the road of faith also passes through darkness and is helped by patience and persevering expectation. Jesus finally points out that "it is written: 'The Lord your God you will adore: him alone will you pay worship'" (4:10). In other words, we must detach ourselves from idols, from vain things, and build our life on what is essential.

These words of Jesus will then be concretely validated by his actions. His absolute fidelity to the Father's plan of love will lead him after 3 years to the final settling of accounts with the "prince of this world" (John 16:11), in the hour of the passion of the cross, and there Jesus will win his definitive victory, the victory of love!

Dear brothers and sisters, the time of Lent is the propitious occasion for all of us to take the journey of conversion, taking this page of the Gospel seriously. Let us renew our baptismal promises: let us renounce Satan and all of his works and seductions – because he himself is a seducer – to walk the paths of the Lord and "arrive at Easter in the joy of the Spirit" (Collect of the first Sunday of Lent, Year A).

During this Lent, let us remember the invitation of Caritas International in its campaign against hunger in the world. I wish everyone that the Lenten journey that has just started bear an abundance of fruits; and I ask you to remember me and my co-workers in the Roman Curia in prayer as we begin a week of retreat. Thank you.

Have a good Sunday and a good lunch!  
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Praying together

## The Holy Father's Mission Intentions



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### Morning Offering

Eternal Father, I offer you everything I do this day – my thoughts, works, joys and sufferings. Grant that, enlivened by the Holy Spirit and united to Jesus in the Eucharist, my life this day may be of service to you and to others. And with Mary and the whole Church I pray especially for the Pope's mission intention this month. **Amen**

### MARCH

That many young people may welcome Our Lord's call to give their lives to the proclamation of the Gospel

### APRIL

That the Risen Lord may fill with hope the hearts of those who are suffering pain and sickness

### MAY

That Mary, Star of Evangelisation, may guide the Church's mission of announcing Christ to all peoples

### JUNE

That Europe may rediscover its Christian roots through the faithful witness of believers

## Plymouth Deanery

# The Catenian Association – Who are we?

The Catenian Association is an international body of proudly Catholic laymen who meet at least once a month in local units called Circles, to enjoy each other's company and thereby strengthen their family life and faith through friendship. In addition we have Social activities which include our ladies and families. It is open to practising Catholic laymen from the age of 21 years. We are a worldwide Association of some 10200 Members.

The Association has a number of objectives: to foster deep and long lasting friendships among members and their families; to provide benevolence of a spiritual, moral and financial nature to members and their families who find themselves in difficulty or need; to provide support to the Clergy; to advance the interests of young Catholics and assist them in the choice or pursuit of a career.

Each Circle has a varied Social Programme including

events where their wives and families join in. We believe in Friendship and Fellowship.

The Catenian Association is non political – it is not a Catholic Action organisation but it is an organisation for active Catholics. Many members of the Association are involved with the Church, for example, as governors of Catholic schools, members of a variety of parish committees. Many have a business or professional background, some are self employed, while others have a teaching, health service, armed forces or other public service background; some have no formal qualifications.

The Catenian Association has two charities: The Benevolent and Children's Fund for its own members and their dependents, and the Bursary Fund which helps young Catholics aged 16 to 24 who are to take part in community-based projects at home and abroad, which have a clear benefit for others as well as for the participant.

In addition, Presidents of Circles and Provinces usually raise funds for a nominated charity during their term of office. Occasionally there is an additional charity nominated by the Association; in its Centenary year in 2008, the Association raised over £250,000 for 'Water for Life'.

The Plymouth Catenian Circle meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month; this April their meeting will be followed by a dinner and a talk about the Children's Hospice South West – the President's preferred charity for the year. The wives of the Catenians will meet for a 'plant exchange'.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Catenian Association, or the Plymouth Circle please contact Trevor Davies, Membership Officer Tel: 01752 787642.

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# Book Reviews

## The Francis factor – A New Departure

Edited by John Littlejohn and Eamon Maher

The extraordinary impact of Pope Francis' election has been phenomenal by any standards, and particularly the way in which he has completely revitalised the Catholic Church in the public imagination. This volume of essays assesses the first year of the new papacy and seeks to elucidate what constitutes the 'Francis Factor'.

What is it about this man that makes people reconsider their attitude to Catholicism and to religion in general? Will he be able to effect change within an institution not renowned for its malleability? Is he all that different from his immediate predecessors or will he, like them, ultimately succumb to the tried and tested?

Among the contributors to this book are theologians, historians, journalists, clergy, sociologists and commentators of the highest calibre. Their assessments of Francis are based on his Jesuit formation, life experience, writings, interviews, spiritual witness and human interactions. The result is a highly thought-provoking and readable account of Francis the public and private man.

Contributors include: Tina Beattie; Peter McVerry SJ; Richard Rohr

OFM; Louise Fuller; Brian D'Arcy; Timothy Radcliffe OP and Louise Nelstrop.

A year is an extremely short time in the history of the Catholic Church and it is astonishing that Francis' election in 2013 appears to have heralded an unprecedented new departure in the life of that institution.

### About the Editors:

**John Littleton**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Cashel and Emly, is Director of The Priory Institute, Tallaght, Dublin. He has a particular interest in relating the principles of organisational culture and development to changing Church structures. He is a weekly columnist with The Catholic Times.

**Eamon Maher** is Director of the National Centre for Franco-Irish Studies at the Institute of Technology, Tallaght, Dublin. His publications concentrate in the main on various aspects of the Franco-Irish nexus and he is currently writing a book on the Catholic Novel.

The Francis Factor – A New Departure is published by The Columba Press



## Lenten Reflections



### A Man of Cyrene

Had nothing to do with it.  
Just stopped to see  
What the fuss was about,  
No matter to me.

I knew nothing about it,  
Was stupid to tarry.  
Soldiers seized me  
And forced me to carry.

A cross from some criminal,  
No fault of mine

Being in the wrong place  
At the wrong time.

The journey was murderous.  
Then at the end  
They forget me, and quickly  
I fled to a friend.

Then home to the country,  
Exhausted and lame,  
Bruised, bloodied, and angry  
That I ever came.

But many years later

I met an old man,  
A friend of the criminal,  
Who gently began

About that execution,  
Now gaining fame,  
For a book he was writing  
Checking my name.

Being, he said,  
Through no merit of mine,  
In the right place  
At the right time.

Joseph O'Shea

### A LENTEN JOURNEY

Daily Actions and Reflections

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**Monday, March 24. Oscar Romero, Martyr. Seek Peace.**

- Give thanks for the life and witness of Archbishop Oscar Romero, true man of peace.

**Tuesday, March 25. The Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

- Read a prayer or a poem on the theme of peace, and spend some time in reflection.

**Wednesday, March 26. Seek Peace**

This year sees the commemoration of the outbreak of the First World War in August, 1914.

- Give some 'remembrance time' to civilians as well as to combatants, to those who worked for peace, and those from other countries who suffered.

**Thursday, March 27. Seek Peace.**

- Remember "shalom", and visit a lonely or sick friend. Taking a home baked or home-made gift.

**Friday, March 28. Seek Peace.**

- Eat vegetarian today.

**Saturday, March 29. Seek Peace.**

- At the end of the day ask, "What have I done to make this a better day for someone else/other people?"

**Sunday, March 30. Lent 4.**

- "At least Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love is everlasting." (Psalm 107.1)
- Celebrate the times this week when you have experienced the Lord's steadfast love. British Summer Time begins today; pray for local farmers.

**Monday, March 31. Seek the Integrity of Creation.**

- Read Isaiah 55.12, then look at a tree and reflect on the wonder of the created world.

**Tuesday, April 1. Seek the Integrity of Creation.**

The Alliance of Religions and Conservation (ARC) is an NGO which helps the world's major faiths develop their own environmental programmes based on their core teachings, beliefs and practices.

- Find out more about their work - [www.arcworld.org](http://www.arcworld.org)

**Wednesday, April 2. Seek the Integrity of Creation.**

Are there any altars in your area?

- If so, take a walk to look at them, and talk to anyone you may see working there.

**Thursday, April 3. Seek the Integrity of Creation.**

Climate change brings huge problems to many developing countries.

- Pray for the people of Bangladesh.

**Friday, April 4. Seek the Integrity of Creation.**

- Eat a (DAF) meal today (Dove, Organic, Animal friendly, Fairly traded).

**Saturday, April 5. Seek the Integrity of Creation.**

The Columbian report "Five of the major challenges facing human society and the natural world is the progressive trashing of the living world by transnational mining companies, and indeed the extractive industries in general." ([www.columbia.edu/~c4u/](http://www.columbia.edu/~c4u/))

- Pray for communities in the Philippines who are resisting destructive mining operations.

**Sunday, April 6. Lent 5.**

Jesus said "I tell you most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it produces only a single ear of wheat; but if it dies it produces a rich harvest" (John 12.24).

- As Pseudo-Dionysius begins his meditation on this image - the way it illuminates the death of the Lord and our "death" as disciples.

**Monday, April 7.**

As we move towards Holy Week let us 'simplify'.

- Sort through your wardrobe and fill a bag for a charity shop.

**Tuesday, April 8.**

Water is a precious commodity.

- Make a conscious effort to save it (e.g. don't let the tap run when you clean your teeth).

**Wednesday, April 9.**

- Plant some seeds.

**Thursday, April 10.**

- Has your parish applied for the "Use Simply Award"? [www.useit.org.uk](http://www.useit.org.uk)

**Friday, April 11.**

- Read and meditate on 1 Timothy 6.6-8.

**Saturday, April 12.**

- Buy a half-roast "Real Easter Egg" for family or a friend. [www.realeasteregg.co.uk](http://www.realeasteregg.co.uk)

**Sunday, April 13. Palm Sunday.**

"Remember! Don't step on him who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Mark 11.2)

- Imagine yourself in the crowd of pilgrims, accompanying Jesus into Jerusalem. What are your thoughts? Do you have any insights?

**Monday, April 14.**

- Make extra time for prayer and reflection during Holy Week.

**Tuesday, April 15.**

- Phone a friend who you know is lonely.

**Wednesday, April 16.**

- Asc 41.

**Holy Thursday, April 17.**

Jesus said "If I, then, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, you should wash each other's feet" (John 13.14)

- Think of ways you could 'wash others' feet'. Who would the "others" be?

**Good Friday, April 18.**

After Jesus had taken the shroud he said, "It is accomplished, 'and having no head he gave us his spirit.' (John 19.30)

- As you pray before the cross, bring with you the pain of the world and the promises of our planet.

**Holy Saturday, April 19.**

Review the reflections you've made and the actions you've taken during Lent.

- What changes do you want to make in the light of them?

**Easter Sunday, April 20.**

"You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is not here." (Mark 16.6)

- Where have you found Jesus this Lent?

Celebrate  
Christ is Risen  
Alleluia!



# Diary Dates

## April 2014



If you would like an entry for your Parish or Deanery to be included in the Diary Dates section please email details to the Editor at [felicitystead@btinternet.com](mailto:felicitystead@btinternet.com) by the last day of each month.

### IMPORTANT DIOCESAN EVENTS AT PLYMOUTH CATHEDRAL

**Wednesday 16th April, 5pm, Chrism Mass:** During this Mass the Bishop will bless the Oils that will be used in the coming year for Baptisms, Confirmations and the Sacrament of the Sick. For information about rehearsal times for participating singers, musicians and choirs please contact Richard King, Plymouth Diocese Liturgy Commission – Music Committee Tel: 01626 872815 email: [richard.king5@virgin.net](mailto:richard.king5@virgin.net).

### PLYMOUTH DIOCESE CATECHETICAL SUMMER CAMPS:

**Sunday 27th July to Friday 1st August 2014:** Senior Camp for children currently in school years 7-10;

**Sunday 3rd August to Friday 8th August 2014:** First Junior Camp for children currently in school years 3-6;

**Sunday 10th August to Friday 15th August 2014:** Second Junior camp for children currently in school years 3-6.

Plans are also afoot to run a camp for Young Adults, St Petroc's Camp, for those currently in school year 11 from **Sunday 27th July to Friday 1st August 2014;** details to be confirmed.

For more information visit <http://www.pdsommmercamps.org.uk/>

### APRIL 2014

**Wednesdays 2nd & 9th April, Mullion Methodist Chapel and Fridays 4th and 11th April, Mawnan Smith Methodist Schoolroom:** Last of the Lenten Lunches; for more information Tel: 01326 312763.

**Sunday 13th April, Meudon Vean Hotel, Mawnan Smith, Cornwall:** open garden in aid of Cornwall Hospice Care. Entrance fee £2.50 and Cream Teas available in the hotel for £3.50. for more information Tel: 01326 312763.

**Good Friday 18th April, 7pm, Buckfast Abbey:** Voces, the Abbey Choir will be singing at Stations of the Cross, concluding with Allegri's Miserere.

**Sunday 27th April (Low Sunday), 10.30am, Buckfast Abbey:** Voces, the Abbey Choir will be singing at the Conventual Mass.

### MAY 2014

**Friday 16th May 7 to 11 pm and Saturday 17th May 10 am to 3 pm, St Edwards, Mawnan Smith:** Parish of St Mary, Falmouth, Parish Retreat, for more information contact Michael Guest via the Parish Office Tel: 01326 312763.

**Saturday 17th May from 11 am to 12 noon, outside Treliske Hospital:** Pro-Life Prayer Vigil for the protection of all human life from conception to natural death. Please join us if you possibly can in this very important witness

**Monday 19th May, Libbaton Golf Club:** Charity Golf Tournament In aid of Catholic Children's Society, to book Tel: 01364 645420 or 07783156284.

### JUNE 2014

**Friday 27th to Sunday 29th June, Buckfast Abbey:** Clear Voices Festival of Theology, full details on page 5 of this edition of CSW.

### JULY 2014

**Saturday 5th July, St Joseph's Church, Newton Abbot:** Torbay Deanery Liturgy/Music Day with Richard Hubbard. Full details will follow in the May edition of CSW.

### OCTOBER 2014

**Saturday 4th October 2014, Lymington Room, Upton Vale Baptist Church, Torquay:** Marriage Preparation Day for couples intending to marry and living in the Torbay Deanery. Please contact Sue Burridge email: [sue@marriagecare.org.uk](mailto:sue@marriagecare.org.uk)

### REGULAR EVENTS

#### Cornwall Deanery

- **First & Third Tuesdays from 10.30am, Coffee morning:** Charles Langdon Room, St Cuthbert Mayne Church, Launceston.
- **Wednesdays, 11.30am to 4pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - with Rosary at 12noon:** Church of St Mary Immaculate, Falmouth.
- **Wednesdays, 3.30pm to 5.30pm, Table Tennis:** Church Hall, Falmouth - parishioners of all ages welcome.
- **Thursdays at 11am, Legion of Mary:** St Paul's Social Centre, Tintagel.
- **First & Third Fridays 7pm to 9pm, Prayer Group, Mary's Eucharistic Renewal:** St Paul's Social Centre, Tintagel.
- **Saturdays, after the 10am Mass, Rosary:** St Cuthbert Mayne Church, Launceston; all are warmly invited to join a small group of parishioners and pray the Rosary.
- **Alternate Sundays, 7 – 9pm, Catholic Society and 18+:** St Mary's Presbytery, Killigrew Street, Falmouth.

#### Dorset Deanery

- **Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm, Inspire 20s to 40s Church Friends Group and Home Group:** St Mary's Church, Poole after the 7pm Mass.
- **Monday evenings at 8pm, Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation Adult Education:** Murray Muscat Centre, Glen Fern Road, Bournemouth. Admission free and all are welcome. For details of the topic for each session please contact Spencer Nathan email: [spencer.nathan@lineone.net](mailto:spencer.nathan@lineone.net)

#### Exeter Deanery

- **Monday evenings at 7.30pm, Meditation Group:** Richard Reynolds Centre, Heavitree Road, Exeter.
- **Tuesday evenings from 8pm to 9pm, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** Mount St Mary Convent, Wonford Road.

#### Plymouth Deanery

- **Tuesday afternoons from 1.30pm to 3.30pm, Union of Catholic Mothers:** Cathedral Centre.
- **Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm, Discussion Group:** Jeremiah Centre, Stott Close, Efford, Plymouth to reflect on the liturgical readings for the coming Sunday.
- **Thursday afternoons at 2pm, Rosary in Malayalam:** Blessed Sacrament Chapel at the Cathedral.
- **Friday evenings at 6pm, Holy Hour:** The Cathedral
- **Saturday evenings, after the First Mass of Sunday, 6pm:** CREDO, a new group for young Catholics ages 18 to 35, meet in the Cathedral Centre.
- **Second Sunday of each month, Sunday Lunch Club, Efford:** for individuals, couples or families who would like to come; to book please contact Deacon Simon Fletcher or Suzanne Tel: 01752 667433.
- **Second Monday of each month from 6.30pm to 8.30pm, Knights of St Columba:** Cathedral Centre.
- **Third Monday of each month at 7pm, FOCOLARE – Word of Life Group:** Cathedral Centre.

#### Torbay Deanery

- **Wednesdays 2nd and 9th April, 12noon to 2pm, the meeting room at the rear of Sacred Heart Church, Fore Street Kingsbridge:** Last of the Lenten Lunches. For more information please contact Fred Hughes Tel: 01548 581344.
- **Third Monday of every month, 7.15pm, South Hams Catenians:** Seven Stars Public House, Kingsbridge. Please note new venue.
- **Wednesdays from 6pm, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (with Vespers at 6.30pm and Benediction at 6.50pm):** Holy Angels, Chelston, Torquay.
- **First Saturday of every month (except January) 7.45am for an 8am start, Christians Together in Torquay:** Prayer Breakfast at St Luke's Parish Church, St Luke's Road.
- **First Sunday of every month, Polish Mass:** Church of the Assumption, Abbey Road, Torquay at 4pm with confessions from 3.30pm.

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### PILGRIMAGES:

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 24th to 31st May 2014: For further information please contact Sue King, Pilgrimage Director Tel: 01752 224414 or [sue@plymouth-diocese.org.uk](mailto:sue@plymouth-diocese.org.uk)

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage 7th to 14th June 2014:** A few places are still available on the flying from Bristol. Cost £499. For more information please contact Tony Allbright Tel: 01736362925 e-mail: [tobright@btinternet.com](mailto:tobright@btinternet.com) (or from Holy Family Parish Penzance office Tel: 01736 362619) or see online at [www.maryqueenofpeace.info/2014/](http://www.maryqueenofpeace.info/2014/).

**Cornish Pilgrimage to Walsingham Sunday 5th October to Saturday 11th October 2014:** Cost £370, call Christine on 01736 362619 for more details and to book.

**Pilgrimage to Fatima 7th to 14th October 2014:** Organised by Holy Trinity Parish, Dorchester. For more information or booking forms please call the Parish Office Tel: 01305 251976 or email: [fatherjohnrice@btinternet.com](mailto:fatherjohnrice@btinternet.com).



## Torbay Deanery

# Let the Children Live (LtCL)

The February edition of Catholic South West (page 8) carried an article about Fr Peter Walters, founder of this small charity, who was to visit Devon with his co-worker Jairo Eduardo Estupiñan.

Their visit may have been short but they managed to pack a lot into their 5-days.

They arrived on Saturday 1st February to a warm welcome from Celia and Les Jenkin and the other members of the Paignton 'Let the Children Live' supporters' group who had organised a Soup 'n' Sweet event at Sacred Heart Church Hall. Including a general stall, raffle, silent auction and sale of LtCL pens and notebooks, the event raised an amazing £1,385.48.

That same evening Fr Peter and Jairo travelled to Holy Trinity Parish, Plymouth where they made an Appeal for LtCL at the weekend Masses in the three churches in the Parish - St Paul's (St Budeaux), Holy Family (Beacon Park) and Our Most Holy Redeemer (Keyham) – they received a warm, and generous, welcome from Fr Tim Lewis and his parishioners.

Returning to Torquay on Sunday evening they spent a busy few days visiting Priory RC Primary School, Stoodley Knowle School and St Cuthbert Mayne School where they gave pupils and students at all three schools an insight into the work of LtCL with vulnerable children in Columbia. On the Tuesday evening Fr Peter and Jairo met with parishioners from across Torbay to discuss the possibility of setting-up a Torquay based support group for LtCL to work alongside and compliment the Paignton group. Fr Peter and Jairo left for London on the Wednesday afternoon before returning home to Columbia.

Fr Peter is very grateful to Mgr David Silk of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham (Retired Priest, St Marychurch) who organised his visit to Devon. If you live in the Torbay Deanery and are interested in supporting Fr Peter's charity by joining or supporting the Torquay Group please contacting Celia Jenkin Tel: 01803 690651 email:



Fr Peter and Jairo with members of the Paignton LtCL Supporters Group

celiajenkin@hotmail.com

Further information can be obtained by visiting [www.letthechildrenlive.org](http://www.letthechildrenlive.org).

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