



20<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Dear Chair/Clerk,

Her Majesty the Queen has given 70 years of devoted service. She has also personified and upheld positive values which have evolved to underpin our society – how lucky we are to live in a democracy, with freedom of speech, with tolerance, inclusion and equality at the heart of our still vibrant community life. How equally wonderful to live in a society in which we are free to determine our career, our beliefs, our life-style, and to have a health service and welfare system which means that, with few exceptions, everybody is safe and cared for.

We have been asked by the Lord Lieutenant, Col. Edward Bolitho, and Bishop Philip of Truro to set up an informal, colourful celebratory Parade through Truro to High Cross. It will occur at 12.30pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June and will culminate in a short all-faiths-and-none service on the steps of Truro Cathedral. The intention is that this should be a starting point for Cornwall for the four-day Platinum Jubilee Holiday which has been declared. Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> is the first of two consecutive Bank Holiday.

We would like to invite you to join the Parade and represent your Parish. If you can't make it then representatives would be welcome. It may be that you feel the Parish could be represented by members of a local association (eg WI, Rugby Club, Scouts). If so, we would ask you to place before your Council a proposal to support that groups(s) to travel or to create a banner (or some-such) which describes the Parish to carry in the Parade. Please help to let people know about it.

We feel that our emphasis should be upon appreciation and values rather than on pomp and circumstance (that will be for other elements of the Jubilee). Please do consider joining in, or helping people from your Parish to do so. Please let us know if you are coming, or if we can help in any way.

Best wishes