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There is usually someone in the parish office to receive calls on weekday mornings.

FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT (Year C)

Sunday 23rd December 2012 - Expectant Mothers

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday	22nd Dec.	10.00 a.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
		6.00 p.m.	<i>(Ian Smith RIP) & Anne Coxon RIP)</i>
Sunday	23rd Dec.	8.30 a.m.	<i>(John Wallace RIP)</i>
		10.30 a.m.	<i>(Michael Kelly RIP)</i>
Christmas Eve	24th Dec.	4.00 p.m.	Christingle Service (for infants)
		11.30 p.m.	Carols & Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	25th Dec.	8.30 a.m.	<i>(for the homeless & those who serve them)</i>
		10.30 a.m.	<i>(for the parish)</i>
Wednesday	26th Dec.	10.30 a.m.	St. Stephen <i>(Eleanor Maurer RIP)</i>
Thursday	27th Dec.		No Mass
Friday	28th Dec.	10.30 a.m.	The Holy Innocents
Saturday	29th Dec.	6.00 p.m.	<i>(Harry Dalton RIP)</i>
Sunday	30th Dec.	8.30 a.m.	<i>(for all those who have died this year and for those who mourn their loss)</i>
		10.30 a.m.	<i>(Patrick Lyons RIP)</i>

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5.15 p.m. – 5.45 p.m.

EXPOSITION

Wednesday after Mass until Noon.

ROSARY

Friday 10.00 a.m.

ORDINARIATE MASSES

Sunday 5.30 p.m.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 22nd Dec - Ian Smith RIP & Anne Coxon RIP (Ann Smith's intention). Sun 23rd Dec, 8.30am - John Wallace RIP (Teresa Wallace's intention). Sun 23rd Dec, 10.30am - Michael Kelly RIP (Mollie Cundy's intention). Tues 25th Dec - All the homeless & those who work with them (Parish intention). Wed 26th Dec - Eleanor Maurer RIP (Lyn Whittington's intention). Sat 29th Dec - Harry Dalton RIP (Elaine Holmes' intention). Sun 30th Dec, 8.30am - All those who have died this year & those who mourn their loss. Sun 30th Dec, 10.30am - Patrick Lyons RIP (Veronica Nicholls' intention).

FR. PETER STONE

Please pray for Fr. Peter who is currently in Mount Edgcumbe Hospice but please do not visit as he is not up to receiving visitors.

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS

During all Masses this weekend, **4th Sunday of Advent**, there will be an opportunity for expectant mothers to receive a blessing. If you would like to avail yourself of this blessing please make yourself known to Fr. Peter or Deacon John before Mass.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

The Christmas Offerings go direct to the Parish Priest. If you pay tax or give by standing order and would like to gift aid your offering (£10 or over), please place your donation in one of the yellow 'Gift Aid' envelopes available in the Narthex. Those of you who regularly use envelopes can use the Christmas Offering envelope included in the pack you use for your weekly donation.

FR. PETER'S ADVENT LETTER

If you have not received a copy of Fr. Peter's letter please let the Parish Office have details of your name and address (yellow forms are available in the Narthex) so that one can be sent to you and you do not miss out next time! If you have moved house in the past twelve months and have not yet informed the Parish Office, please let Sarah know as soon as possible. Thank you.

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

If you have ordered one of the three versions of the 'Catechism of the Catholic Church' and not yet picked up your copy from the 'Year of Faith' table in the Narthex, it is now ready for collection. Please hand your purchase money, clearly labelled, into the Parish Office. For those of you who have recently put your name on the order list, your copies are now on order and will be here shortly. Thank you

ADVENT GIVING TREE

The Advent Giving Tree will be taken down after the 10.30am Mass this ***Sunday 22nd December***. All gifts and donations need to be placed in the basket below the tree or in the Parish Maintenance Box in the Porch by this weekend so they may be distributed before Christmas.

CRIB OFFERING

The Crib Offering this year will, as is customary, go to support the work of the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth). If you wish to make a donation during the Season of Christmas you may place it in the wooden collection box which will be placed in the Lady Chapel.

WEEKDAY MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS

Please note that there will be Masses as usual at ***10.30am on Wednesday 26th December and Friday 28th December*** but there will be no Mass on Thursday 27th December.

DIOCESAN YEAR BOOK 2013

The 2013 issue of the Diocesan Year book is now available in the Narthex, price £3.10. Please place your money in the wall box in the Porch. Thank you.

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION AND READERS

If you have not already collected your new rota for the first three months of 2013, please pick it up from the letter rack in the Porch. Thank you.

EXCITING NEWS FROM CAFOD

The Government have now agreed to provide £9.2 million matched funding for the £9.4 million raised in the last Lenten Appeal for water & sanitation. As the original target was only £2million this is very good news and was of course only possible because of the generosity of Catholics & their supporters across the country. The money must be spent carefully & wisely but CAFOD has promised to keep us up to date as decisions are taken. Thank you all for your support.

PAR DISTRICT CHURCHES TOGETHER

Carol Singing outside the Co-op at St. Blazey this ***Monday 24th December at 10.30am***. All are welcome.

DIOCESAN WEEKEND for the DIVORCED and SEPARATED

Southgate, Buckfast Abbey, 11th - 13th January A weekend residential retreat sharing scripture and companionship, offering the chance to explore themes of loss, feelings, acceptance and coping alone. The cost of the weekend is £100, including meals but funding is available. To book call 01364 645390 or email: jillianw@plymouth-diocesan-office.org.uk. There are also a number of booking forms available in the Narthex.

SPORTS BONANZA

The Cornwall Salesians invite everyone to their annual Sports Bonanza at the Dracaena Centre in Falmouth on ***Friday 28th December at 2.00 pm***. Adults £1 under 18s free. Please bring a plate of food to share at St Mary's Hall afterwards.

COLLECTIONS

The parish collection total below does not include Standing Orders which average at £314 per week. All cheques should be made payable to 'PRCDTR St. Austell Parish'.

Parish Collection: £495.60; Coffee: £9.40; Lourdes Collection: £44.39; Flowers: £13.40; APF: £20.30.

LIVING FAITH

The January - March edition of Living Faith is now available in the Narthex, price 50p.

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY (Plymouth)

Marathon runners, grant giving, eBay sales, kind donations...they are all to be found in 'Children First' the newsletter of the diocesan Catholic Children's Society available at the back of the church or on the Society's website www.ccsplymouth.org.uk. Please take a moment to read it. With much appreciation for your support throughout 2013, Claire Warren (Fundraising Officer)

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers all those in the parish who are sick and housebound, especially *Joy Abraham, Sylvia Austin, Marcella Beer, Margaret Clapp, Mary Coupe, Trevor Crump, Milena Danielli, Mary Dineen, Eileen Drury, Sue Dugmore, Mark Eustice, Eileen Fuller, Helen Gibson, Teresita Hill, Joan Insley, Rachel John, Audrey Lunn, Carmen Matthews, Mary Maguire, Maria Consuelo Martyn, Ian Parkinson, Valerie Parkinson, Pamela Platt, Edwina Porter-Duncan, Pauline Reed, Amanda Stickney, Pauline Whitford and Sally Wilson.*

Fr. Peter, Deacon John and the parishioners of St. Augustine's extend a warm welcome to all visitors to our parish during this Season of Christmas. We wish you a joyful and blessed Christmas.

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"You have made us for yourself Lord and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." (St Augustine of Hippo)

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