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

SECOND WEEK OF LENT (Year C)

Sunday 24th February 2013

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday	23rd Feb.	6.00 p.m.	<i>(Ellen Ryan RIP)</i>
Sunday	24th Feb.	8.30 a.m.	
		10.30 a.m.	<i>(The Parish)</i>
Tuesday	26th Feb.	7.00 p.m.	<i>(Holy Souls)</i>
Wednesday	27th Feb.	10.30 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion & Exposition
Thursday	28th Feb.	12.05 p.m.	<i>(Pope Benedict XVI)</i>
Friday	1st Mar..	10.30 a.m.	St. David <i>(Mick Murtagh RIP)</i>
Saturday	2nd Mar.	6.00 p.m.	<i>(The Parish)</i>
Sunday	3rd Mar.	8.30 a.m.	<i>(Rawdon Ebert RIP)</i>
		10.30 a.m.	<i>(Nicanor Parra RIP)</i>

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5.15 p.m. – 5.45 p.m.

EXPOSITION

Wednesday after Mass until Noon.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday 7.15 p.m. & Friday 10.00 a.m.

ORDINARIATE MASSES

Sunday 5.30 p.m. & Wednesday 6.30 p.m.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 23rd Feb - Ellen Ryan RIP (Mary Coupe's intention). Sun 24th, 10.30am - The Parish. Tues 26th Feb - Holy souls. Thurs 28th Feb - Pope Benedict XVI. Fri 1st Mar - Mick Murtagh RIP (Pat McNicholas' intention). Sat 2nd Mar - The Parish. Sun 3rd Mar, 8.30am - Rawdon Ebert RIP. Sun 3rd Mar, 10.30am - Nicanor Parra RIP.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Martin Rossman who died this week. His Requiem Mass is being held in Plymouth Cathedral at **12.00 noon on Wednesday 27th February**. Fr. Martin is a great loss to the diocese as he died at the age of 50 after battling courageously with cancer for the past couple of years.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of David Walker (the husband of Christine Walker) who also died recently. His funeral service will be at Penmount Crematorium at **11.00 a.m. On Saturday 2nd March**.

POPE BENEDICT XVI

It was with great sadness last week that we received the news of His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI's decision to relinquish his office as the Supreme Pontiff of the Universal Church due to his increasing frailty. Pope Benedict, although not elected Pope until he was 78, has served the Church admirably, with courage, strength, and wisdom. His strong leadership has guided the Church well over the past 8 years, but of course this is a man who has served the Church his whole life as priest, bishop, cardinal, highly respected theologian, as well as Pope. Although it is unusual for a Pope to abdicate from office, and has not been done for several hundred years, Pope Benedict felt that it was for the greater good of the Church that he stepped down in favour of someone more physically and mentally able to fulfil this most important role in the Church – a decision worthy of great respect and indicative of Pope Benedict's devotion to the Church and the people of God. He will be greatly missed as a shepherd to the Universal Church. However, all Pope's eventually relinquish their office, if not by resignation then by death. The Church, guided as always by the Holy Spirit, will journey on. Let us pray for Pope Benedict as he prepares to renounce the Petrine ministry and pray for the Church as she prepares to elect a new Servant of the Servants of God.

"I am strengthened and reassured by the certainty that the Church is Christ's, who will never leave her without his guidance and care."
(Pope Benedict XVI)

MASS FOR POPE BENEDICT

Pope Benedict renounces the papal office on Thursday 28th February. Mass that day will be offered for his intentions and in thanksgiving for his service to the Church.

CAFOD - Lent Family Fast Day Collection

Imagine every single person in Europe, America, Australia and Canada went to bed hungry. That is how many people will go to bed hungry tonight all over the world, the vast majority in Africa, Asia and Latin America, where CAFOD's work is based. As Catholics we are compelled to act on this injustice. By acting now and throughout the Year of Faith, we can make a difference to the lives of thousands of our brothers and sisters. There will be a retiring collection after all masses this weekend **23rd/24th February**. If you are a tax payer and wish to gift aid your donation, do not forget to sign the declaration on back of the CAFOD Fast Day envelope. Please return your envelope as soon as is convenient.

LENT LETTERS

Fr. Peter's Lent Letter, with details of the Services during Lent and Easter is ready for collection and distribution. There are still a fair number of letters left to deliver. Will those of you who kindly serve the parish by delivering them each year please collect them after Mass this weekend. We would also be grateful if you all would take a look through the envelopes for your area, collect your own and, if possible, deliver as many as you are able. Thank you.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS - 'Saints Helping Us Today'

An opportunity to explore the witness and teachings of some of the great saints of church history, and by so doing help us to grow in our faith. The sessions continue this **Tuesday 26th February at 7.30pm** in the Narthex and run throughout the Tuesdays in Lent. Each session includes on-location filming, input from a number of experts, testimonies from lay people and a prayerful reflection time, and this week will be looking at the life of St. Benedict. All are welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Christians in the Mevagissey area have been invited to join us for Stations of the Cross this **Wednesday 27th February at 7.15pm**. Please come along and give them a warm welcome them to our church. We look forward to welcoming parishioners from Par on **Wednesday 13th March**.

FLOWER GROUP MEETING

The Flower Group will meet this **Wednesday 27th February at 2.30pm** in Cuthbert Mayne Room to plan the decoration of the church for Easter.

LENTEN SOUP BRUNCH

Every Friday after Mass, during Lent, there will be a homemade soup brunch served in the Narthex. All donations raised will go to the Romanian Challenge Appeal.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meeting this **Tuesday 26th February at 2.00pm** in St. Monica's Room.

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

Catechism begins again this **Wednesday 27th February at 4.30pm**.

KEEP FIT GROUP

Next meeting on **Monday 4th March at 11.00am** in the Narthex.

JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

Next meeting on **Wednesday 6th March at 6.00pm** in St. Monica's room.

LENTEN ALMS GIVING

This Lent the Charities chosen to benefit from our Lenten alms-giving are the 'Romanian Challenge Appeal' and 'CHICKS' (Country Holidays for Inner City Kids), a local charity based in Tywardreath. Donations to both charities can be placed in the Wooden Collection box in the Narthex.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - Friday 1st March,

St. Austell Baptist Church at 2.00pm - "I was a stranger and you welcomed me". Refreshments afterwards. All very welcome.

St. Sampson's Church, Golant at 11.30am. The women of France have prepared the service and it will be followed by a French style lunch. All are most welcome.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers all those in the parish who are sick and housebound.

COLLECTIONS

The parish collection total below does not include Standing Orders which average at £313 per week. All cheques should be made payable to 'PRCDTR St. Austell Parish'.

Parish Collection: £594.72 ; Ash Wednesday: £171.70; Coffee: £11.71; Parish Maintenance Fund: £10.72; Cafod Ethiopia Jar: £29.71.

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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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