

PARISH OF SAINT AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

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

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (Year A)

Sunday 5th January 2014

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

aturday	th Jan	10 p	(Gerald Gallacher RIP)
unday	th Jan	10 a	
		10 10 a	(Kit D'Encer RIP)
uesday	th Jan	10 p	(Ann Goovan RIP)
ednesday	th Jan	10 10 a	(Joe O'Hare RIP)
ursday	th Jan	10 p	
Friday	10th Jan	10 10 a	
aturday	th Jan	10 p	(George Adams RIP)
unday	th Jan	10 a	(Philip & Mildred Underhill RIP)
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

aturday p p

EXPOSITION

ednesday after Mass until noon

ROSARY

Friday 10 10 a

ORDINARIATE MASSES

unday 10 p ednesday 10 p



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 4th Jan - Gerald Gallacher RIP (Frank Gallacher's intention). Sun 5th Jan, 10.30am - Kit D'Encer RIP (June Blakemore's intention). Tues 7th Jan - Ann Goovan RIP (Annie Dyson's intention). Wed 8th Jan - Joe O'Hare RIP (Mr. O'Hare's intention). Sat 11th Jan - George Adams RIP (Mr. O'Hare's intention). Sun 12th Jan, 8.30am - Philip and Mildred Underhill RIP (Cynthia Rosevear's intention).

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 is in the Lady Chapel.

PARISH BREAKFAST

There will be a parish breakfast this *Sunday 5th January* after the 8.30am Mass. All are very welcome.

KEEP FIT GROUP

Next meeting this *Monday 6th January at 11.00am*. New members are always welcome - a great way to lose some of those extra 'Christmas' pounds!

JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

The first meeting of the New Year will be held on *Wednesday 8th January at 6.00pm* in St. Monica's Room. New members are always most welcome.

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

Catechism in the New Year begins again on *Wednesday 15th January at 4.30pm*. Many thanks to the children of the Catechism Groups who made such beautiful cards to send to our sick and housebound parishioners this Christmas. They have been greatly appreciated.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN ST. AUSTELL

To mark the beginning of Christian Unity Week, St. Augustine's will be hosting the 'Churches Together in St. Austell' Annual Service of Thanksgiving on *Sunday 19th January at 7.00pm*. This year Fr. Peter will be leading 'Evening Prayer and Benediction' and the Rev. John Kendall from the Methodist Church has been invited to preach. Please put this date in your diaries and come and support this celebration of our faith with Christians from the other church traditions in St. Austell.

MAGNIFICAT

The January edition of Magnificat is available in the Narthex, price £4.00.

THANKS

Fr. Robert would like to thank all those parishioners who sent him Christmas cards and Greetings. He very much appreciates your continuing kind thoughts and prayers.

GUIDES FOR READERS

The January to March issue is now available for Ministers of the Word to pick up in the Server's Sacristy. If you are a Reader at the weekend Masses, please help yourself to a copy of this most helpful booklet. It gives a brief and useful overview of the essential message conveyed by the readings and the links between the Old and New Testament passages.

THE GREAT BLESSING OF THE WATERS

The Orthodox Church will be celebrating the '*Great Blessing of the Waters*' with Fr. Benedict here at St. Augustine's on *Thursday 23rd January at 7.30pm*. A very warm invitation is extended to all our parishioners to join them in this celebration.

In the Eastern Orthodox Church the use of holy water is based on the Baptism of Jesus and is commemorated at the 'Feast of Theophany' (the Manifestation of God). At the Vespers of this feast, a font of holy water is blessed in the church to provide holy water for the parish's use in the coming year. The following morning after the Divine Litany, a procession goes from the church to the nearby river, lake or the sea to bless the water (sometimes the rivers are frozen so people have to make holes in the ice to bless the water). This represents the redemption of all creation as part of humanity's salvation. In the following weeks the priest visits the homes of the members of the parish and leads prayers of blessing for their families, homes (and even pets), sprinkling them with holy water. This practise is a visible representation of God's sanctifying work in all parts of people's lives.

PARISH LUNCH - Sunday 2nd March

This year, due to the unavailability of the Sea Horse Restaurant at Pentewan and after much research, *Trenyhton Manor at Tywardreath* has been booked as the venue for our annual Parish Lunch. The cost of the three course lunch will be £16.95, with a two course option costing £13.93. Children under the age of 14yrs are offered the roast dinner at half the adult price or alternatively there is a two course children's menu available at a cost of £4.95 (ie sausage & chips with ice-cream for desert). Trenyhton Manor has good parking facilities and easy access for those whose mobility is limited. Please put this date in your diaries.

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL

"The joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus" but how do we communicate that joy to others? Pope Francis has written to us about the challenge to proclaim the Gospel to our neighbours and fellow parishioners. 'Gather 2014', February 7th - 9th at the Toraak Hotel Torquay, is a weekend open to all, to consider the sort of people Pope Francis is challenging us to become - a weekend of inspiring speakers, relaxation and laughter, prayer and devotion, and a few good meals! Book on-line at www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/gather2014 or pick up a leaflet from the Narthex. Alternatively telephone 01364 645390 for more details.

PLYMOUTH DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2014

Available in the Narthex, price £3.25.

PASTORAL CO-ORDINATING GROUP

All PCG members please note that the next meeting has been postponed until *Tuesday 18th February at 7.30pm*.

COLLECTIONS

The parish collection total below does not include Standing Orders which average at £338 per week. All cheques should be made payable to 'PRCDTR St. Austell Parish'.

Parish Collection: £550.50; Candles: £55.67; Coffee: £13.69
Flowers: £8.31; Parish Maintenance Fund: £29.29.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers all those in the parish who are sick or housebound, especially *Pauline Abdey, Joy & Fred Abraham, Sheila Alleyn, Sylvia Austin, Marcella Beer, Paul Chasteauneuf, James Clapp, Mary Coupe, Trevor Crump, Milena Danielli, Mary Dineen, Eileen Drury, Sue Dugmore, Mark Eustice, Helen Gibson, Teresita Hill, Joan Insley, Paul & Cynthia Longthorp, Carmen Matthews, Mary Maguire, Maria Consuelo Martyn, Eve Moore, Ian Parkinson, Valerie Parkinson, Pamela Platt, Edwina Porter-Duncan, Nora Skerry, Jenny Stears, Amanda Stickney, Pat Thompson, Pauline Whitford, Sally Wilson.*

Fr. Peter and Deacon John would like to express their heartfelt gratitude for all the cards and gifts they have received this Christmas.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives

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***"You have made us for yourself,
O Lord, and our hearts
are restless until they rest in you."***

(St Augustine of Hippo)

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