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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Yr C)

Sunday 6th December 2015

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday	5th Dec.	6.00 p.m.	(Mgr Patrick & Canon Matthias Corrigan RIP)
Sunday	6th Dec.	8.30 a.m.	(The Parish)
		10.30 a.m.	(Paul & Tracey Clarke)
Tuesday	8th Dec.	12.05 p.m.	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Victoria Booth RIP)
		7.00 p.m.	Advent Penitential Service with Benediction and Exposition
Wednesday	9th Dec.	10.30 a.m.	(Antony Manchester RIP)
Thursday	10th Dec.	10.30 a.m.	(Margaret Sanders - special intention)
		12.05 p.m.	Wedding - Mary Ashman & Gary Ross
Friday	11th Dec.	10.30 a.m.	(Sheila Bone RIP)
		12.05 p.m.	Funeral Service - Vincent Simmons
Saturday	12th Dec.	10.00 a.m.	Confessions (Fr. David Mead)
		6.00 p.m.	(Oliver, Eleanor & Lorraine Brannigan RIP)
Sunday	13th Dec.	8.30 a.m.	(The Parish)
		10.30 a.m.	(Rosemary Vinton RIP - Month Mind)

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. & Wednesday 7.00 p.m.



POPE FRANCIS' DECEMBER INTENTIONS

Universal: That all may experience the mercy of God, who never tires of forgiving.

Evangelisation: That families, especially those who suffer, may find in the birth of Jesus a sign of certain hope.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 5th Dec - Mgr Patrick & Canon Matthias Corrigan RIP (Gloria Hocking's intention). Sun 6th Dec, 10.30am - Paul & Tracey Clarke (Tom & Janet Regan's intention). Tues 8th Dec - Victoria Booth RIP (Doreen & Ken Walker's intention). Wed 9th Dec - Antony Manchester RIP (Margaret Sanders' intention). Thurs 10th Dec - Margaret Sanders (Special intention). Fri 11th Dec - Sheila Bone RIP (Denis & Linda Nolan's intention). Sat 12th Dec - Oliver, Eleanor & Lorraine Brannigan RIP (Lyn Whittington's intention). Sun 13th Dec, 10.30am - Rosemary Vinton RIP (Month Mind Mass).

REQUIESCAT IN PACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Vincent Simmons who died recently. His funeral service will be at **12.05 p.m. on Friday 11th December.**

FR. PETER'S ADVENT LETTER

Fr. Peter's Advent letter will be ready for distribution this weekend, **5th/6th December.** May those of you who kindly and willingly serve the parish by delivering them each year please collect the letters after mass this weekend. We would be grateful if you would all take time to look through the envelopes for your area and, if possible, deliver as many as you can. Thank you.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Please note that this week Mass on Tuesday (The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary) is at 12.05 p.m. and Mass on Thursday is at 10.30 a.m.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

There will be a *Non-Sacramental* Penitential Service with Benediction and Exposition this coming **Tuesday 8th December at 7.00pm.**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - VISITING CONFESSORS

During Advent we prepare to re-affirm our welcome to God in our lives as we celebrate the birth of His Son. The Sacrament of Reconciliation gives us an opportunity to repair our relationship with Christ and his Church.

Fr. David Mead will be available to hear confessions on the morning of **Saturday 12th December from 10.00am until 11.00am.**

Fr. Robbie Low will be available to hear confessions on the morning of **Saturday 19th December from 10.00am until 11.00am.**

ADVENT GIVING TREE

Our Advent Giving Tree is set up in the Narthex until Christmas. It's the one time in the year that we seek donations to support our local homelessness charity, St. Petroc's and the Devon and Cornwall Refugee Centre in Plymouth. If you are able to help, please take a card or an envelope (for the charity of your choice) from the tree and bring it back with your gift the following week. Cash goes into the wooden box; gifts go into the box at the foot of the tree. Thank you.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION & READERS

I would be grateful if you would sign the list on the notice board if you are available at Masses over the Christmas period and the weekend following. Thank you, *Rosemary*.

PARISH BREAKFAST

There will be a Parish Breakfast this *Sunday 7th December* after the *8.30am* Mass. All are most welcome.

CORNWALL CATHOLIC CHOIR

Rehearsal next *Saturday 12th December at 10.30a.m* in St. Monica's room. This is the last practice before the concert in St. Petroc's so a full attendance would be welcomed.

CORNWALL CATHOLIC CHOIR CONCERT

The Cornwall Catholic Choir are giving a concert of Cornish Carols, with readings and some audience participation, on *Tuesday 15th December at 7.30pm* at St. Petroc's Church Bodmin. This is part of St. Petroc's Annual Christmas Tree Festival. If you are able to come to the concert, the choir would greatly welcome your support.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Aid to the Church in Need is an international charity that helps persecuted and oppressed Christians around the world, through prayer, information and action. The crisis facing Christians in Syria continues to worsen as persecution reaches unprecedented levels. This weekend Elizabeth McMahon will be giving an appeal on behalf of the Christians in Syria and there will be a retiring collection after all Masses.

MAGNIFICAT

The December issue of the Magnificat is now available in the Narthex, price £4.



ALTERNATIVE GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

Catalogues for CAFOD 'World Gifts' are available in the Porch. For those wishing to give a gift through the 'Cornish Christmas Giving' there is a catalogue saved on the office computer. If you let Sarah have your email address she will forward it on to you.

SLEEPING BAGS FOR THE HOMELESS

Many thanks for the generous response to the recent appeal for warm bedding for those sleeping rough. It is much appreciated. Fifteen sleeping bags, a number of duvets and also some blow up beds were donated. Thank you.

LAUDATO SI PETITION

The 180 signatures from this parish have been added to 40,000 collected nationally & delivered to the Prime Minister & they will also be part of an international appeal presented to all world leaders at the global climate change talks in Paris. Thank you for your support.

ADVENT BANNERS

This year the sewing group finished the last of the 7 Advent banners for the church. These are based on the 7 "O Antiphons" or "Great Antiphons". These ancient texts, which use various titles for Our Lord, are said before and after the Magnificat at Evening Prayer on the days leading up to Christmas. The banners will be blessed at the end of Mass on Saturday evening. Many thanks to the sewing group for all their work.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

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

COLLECTIONS - Thank you

The parish collection total below does not include Standing Orders which average at £333 per week. Cheques should be made payable to: PRCDTR St. Austell Parish.

Parish Collection: £547.85; Candles: £30.00; Flowers: £4.60; Coffee: £16.53; CAFOD Jar: £8.68; Autumn Fayre: £20.00

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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