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

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT (Yr B) Sunday 22nd March 2015

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday	21st Mar.	10.30 a.m.	Mass in Latin, Exposition & Confessions
		6.00 p.m.	(Mrs Billy' Taylor RIP)
Sunday	22nd Mar.	8.30 a.m.	(Andrew Creighton RIP)
		10.30 a.m.	(The Parish)
Tuesday	24th Mar.	7.00 p.m.	
Wednesday	25th Mar.	10.30 a.m.	The Annunciation of the Lord
Thursday	26th Mar.	12.05 p.m.	(Anthony Hicks RIP - Month Mind)
Thursday Friday	26th Mar. 27th Mar.	12.05 p.m. 10.30 a.m.	(Anthony Hicks RIP - Month Mind) (Irene Doherty RIP)
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Friday	27th Mar.	10.30 a.m.	(Irene Doherty RIP)

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 21st Mar - Mrs. 'Billy' Taylor RIP (Anne Hempleman's intention). Sun 22nd Mar, 8.30am - Andrew Creighton RIP (Marie Hawken's intention). Thurs 26th Mar - Anthony Hicks RIP (Month Mind Mass). Fri 27th Mar - Irene Doherty RIP (Elaine Holmes' intention). Sat 28th Mar - Bill & Betty Walkley (Beryl Blackwell's intention).

PALM SUNDAY - 29th March

Please note that next Sunday, Palm Sunday, there will be no Mass at 8.30am. As has been the practice in previous years, we will once again join together at the 10.30am Mass to celebrate our Lord's entry into Jerusalem at the start of Holy Week.

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday begins our celebration of Holy Week, the most sacred time in the Church's year, when we celebrate the various events of our Lord's passion, death and resurrection. The Resurrection stands at the very heart of our faith and because the events of Holy Week are such an important celebration I would encourage you to attend as many of the liturgies as possible, and ideally all of them. Holy Week is a celebration of the drama through which Christ won our salvation, and each of the liturgies is an important act in that drama: Palm Sunday – the entry in to Jerusalem, the Holy City; Holy Thursday – the Last Supper; Good Friday – the Crucifixion and Death of Christ; the Easter Vigil – The Resurrection and the event which stands at the very heart of Salvation History; and Easter Sunday – a joyous celebration of the Risen Christ. The Easter Vigil in particular is the most important and dramatic liturgy of the Church's year. Let our celebration of the events of Holy Week refresh and renew our faith in the Risen Christ.

Palm Sunday Masses, 29th March - Saturday 6.00pm & Sunday 10.30am

Maundy Thursday Mass, 2nd April - 7.00pm Good Friday Service, 3rd April - 3.00pm, Children's Liturgy 3.00pm Easter Saturday Vigil Mass, 4th April - 8.30pm Easter Day Masses, 5th April - 8.30am & 10.30am

LENTEN REFLECTIONS - 'Knowing God Better'

Tuesday 24h March at **7.30pm** after Tuesday evening Mass. Our journey through a series of stimulating and entertaining talks, aimed at helping Catholics to understand their faith more fully, ends this Tuesday. Do come along for the final evening of this series - each session stands alone so if you have missed the previous sessions do not worry.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

AGM this coming *Tuesday 24th March at 3.30pm*. If you have not already done so will members please pick up your minutes of the last meeting from the letter rack in the Porch. Thank you.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Our Penitential Service this year will take place this coming *Thursday* **26th March** at **7.00pm.** This is an opportunity to seek the healing of God's mercy and compassion as we journey through Lent towards the glory of Easter. A number of visiting priests will be available to hear individual confessions.

LENTEN SOUP BRUNCH.

The last home-made soup brunch this Lent will be on *Friday 27th March*. All donations raised will go to the charities that receive our support through our Lenten Alms giving. Do come and join us if you are able - we look forward to seeing you.

EASTER OFFERINGS

The Easter Offerings go direct to the Parish Priest. If you pay tax and are considering gift aiding your donation, offerings need to be £10.00 or over (please put your donation in one of the blue 'Gift Aid' envelopes available in the Narthex). Those of you who regularly use envelopes may use the 'Easter Offering' envelope included in the pack you use for your weekly collection. If you are giving your donation by cheque, please make it payable to 'PRCDTR St Austell Parish'. Thank you

THE MEMORIAL GARDEN

Over the past few months Adrian, our church gardener has been doing battle with the moss in the Memorial Garden. This has temporarily resulted in a number of bare patches which Adrian is planning to re-turf in the spring, thereby restoring this green and peaceful space to its full glory. The aim of the garden is to keep it as an enclosed and uncluttered space where parishioners can spent quiet time in reflection, remembering their loved ones whose ashes are interred there. To keep it as such, it is important that the lawn is not broken up by an increasing number of plants and shrubs. If you have in the past few weeks planted any shrubs in the Memorial Garden please could you remove them so that the area is clear ready for Adrian's re-turfing of the lawn. Adrian will carefully relocate any remaining shrubs in a suitable place in the church grounds. Of course it is important that parishioners feel free to place bunches of flowers on the grass in memory of loved ones at special times of the year.

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

Catechism finishes for the term this *Wednesday 25th March*. The summer term begins for all groups on *Wednesday 22nd April at 4.30pm*.

LENTEN ALMS

This year our Lenten Alms will be divided between Ethiopiaid and the Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth). *Ethiopiaid* is a small, efficient British charity (only 3.5% of donations received are spent on admin). They support projects in Ethiopia ranging from maternal health (nearly 80% of women have no access to medical care during labour) to education, the disabled and the elderly. *The Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)* gives vital support to needy children and families in the diocese. Donations may be placed in the box in the Narthex.

THE BOOKSHOP REPOSITORY

The Bookshop is manned every week after all weekend Masses as well as Friday morning after Mass. When it is unattended you are welcome to put your purchase money in the wall box in Cuthbert Mayne Room. At present the bookshop has a varied selection of Easter cards in stock, alongside its usual stock of cards for all religious and other special occasions. It also has an extensive choice of rosaries, devotional and inspirational gifts as well as Bibles and Missals etc. Please take a little time to come and have a look at what is available. Thank you.

COLLECTIONS - Thank you

The parish collection total below does not include Standing Orders which average at £350per week. All cheques should be made payable to 'PRCDTR St. Austell Parish'.

Parish Collection: £576.45; Candles: £31.28; Flowers: £6.30;

Coffee: £7.75;Lenten Soup Brunch: £50.00.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

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

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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