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SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT (Year A)

Sunday 4th December 2016

Weekday Readings: Second Week of Advent A: Week 2

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

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| Saturday | 3rd Dec. | 9.30 a.m. | Mass (Latin) - St Francis Xavier <i>(Int. Philip Maurer RIP)</i> |
| | | 10.15 a.m. | Confessions (Fr. Peter) <i>(until 11.15 a.m.)</i> |
| | | 5.15 p.m. | Confessions <i>(until 5.45 p.m.)</i> |
| | | 6.00 p.m. | Mass <i>(Int. Paul Munro RIP)</i> |
| Sunday | 4th Dec. | 8.30 a.m. | Mass <i>(Int. Anne Brennan RIP)</i> |
| | | 10.30 a.m. | Mass <i>(Int. The Parish)</i> |
| Tuesday | 6th Dec. | 7.00 p.m. | Mass <i>(Int. Thomas & Mary Byrne RIP)</i> |
| Wednesday | 7th Dec | 10.30 a.m. | Mass - St Ambrose <i>(Int. Anne & Sandy Brown and family)</i> |
| | | 11.00 a.m. | Exposition followed by the Midday Angelus |
| Thursday | 8th Dec. | 12 noon | The Angelus |
| | | 12.05 p.m. | Mass - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>(Int. Larry Jennings RIP)</i> |
| Friday | 9th Dec. | 10.00 a.m. | Rosary |
| | | 10.30 a.m. | Mass <i>(Int. Alice Bridson RIP)</i> |
| Saturday | 10th Dec. | 9.30 a.m. | Mass (Latin) <i>(Int. Margaret & Thomas Brannigan RIP)</i> |
| | | 10.15 a.m. | Confessions (Fr. David Mead) <i>(until 11.15 a.m.)</i> |
| | | 5.15 p.m. | Confessions <i>(until 5.45 p.m.)</i> |
| | | 6.00 p.m. | Mass <i>(Int. Mgr Patrick & Canon Matthias Corrigan RIP)</i> |
| Sunday | 11th Dec. | 8.30 a.m. | Mass <i>(Int. Paul & Rosie Briscoe)</i> |
| | | 10.30 a.m. | Mass <i>(Int. The Parish)</i> |

ORDINARIATE MASSES: Sunday 5.30 p.m. & Wednesday 7.00 p.m.



POPE FRANCIS' DECEMBER INTENTIONS

Universal: That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

Evangelisation: That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 3rd Dec, 9.30am - Philip Maurer RIP (Lyn Whittington's intention). 6.00pm - Paul Munro RIP (Toni Munro's intention). Sun 4th Dec, 8.30am - Anne Brennan RIP (Marie Hawken's intention). Tues 6th Dec - Thomas & Mary Byrne (Martin Byrne's intention). Wed 7th Dec - Anne & Sandy Brown and family (Joan Brown's intention). Thurs 8th Dec - Larry Jennings (Patrick McNicholas' intention). Fri 9th Dec - Alice Bridson RIP (Stephanie Kavanagh's intention). Sat 10th Dec - Mgr Patrick & Matthias Corrigan RIP (Gloria hocking's intention). Sun 11th Dec, 8.30am - Paul & Rosie Briscoe (The Briscoe family intentions).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

During Advent we prepare to re-affirm our welcome to God in our lives as we celebrate the birth of His Son. One way in which we are enabled to deepen our relationship with Christ and his Church is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Fr Peter will be available to hear confessions this Saturday, **3rd December from 10.15am until 11.15am** and visiting priests will be available to hear confessions on the mornings of:

Saturday 10th December, 10.15am - 11.15am: Fr David Mead

Saturday 17th December, 10.15am - 11.15am: Fr Robbie Low

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

There will be a **Non-Sacramental** Penitential Service with Benediction and Exposition here at St Augustine's on **Tuesday 13th December at 7.00pm**. Please note Mass will be celebrated that day at the earlier time of 12.05pm.

ST MEWAN SINFONIA CONCERT

St Mewan Sinfonia, Cornwall's only String Orchestra are making a welcome return to St Augustine's this **Sunday 4th December at 7.15pm**. They are delighted to welcome Paul Mileham, one of our very own organists, as their soloist. He will be playing the much loved Adagio by Albinoni and an organ concerto by Handel. Tickets are price £7 (children under 16yrs free) and are available at the door on the night. There will be light refreshments after the concert. The proceeds of the concert are being given in support of the work of the St Petroc's Society. Please support this concert if you are able.

FR. PETER'S ADVENT LETTER

Fr. Peter's Advent letter are ready for distribution this weekend, **3rd/4th 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.

COMPANIONS OF ST MONICA - Advance Notice

All parishioners are warmly invited to join the Companions of St Monica for their meeting this coming **Tuesday 6th December at 2.30pm** when Angela Hyland will be giving a flower arranging demonstration entitled “**Christmas Time**”, followed by mince pies and mulled wine. Will members of CSM please note that there is no meeting this Tuesday 29th November.

CHILDREN’S CATECHISM

Catechism ends with a Christmas Party for all catechism groups this **Wednesday 7th December, 4.30pm - 6.00pm**. Catechism begins again in the New Year on **Wednesday 11th January at 4.30pm**.

JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

Meeting this coming **Wednesday 7th December at 6.00pm** in St Monica’s room.

AUTUMN FAYRE

We would like to thank everyone who helped make our Autumn Fayre such a happy and successful event. It was a sunny but cold day outside and inside we were able to give a sunny and *warm* welcome to our neighbours, friends and those previously unknown to us. It was good to share our day and our church, offering the opportunity for quiet prayer and reflection in the Church itself and sharing many a good chat over a hot cup of tea and warm food, not to mention making the most of the chance to purchase a bargain or two. A special thank you to Anne & John West and Mary Shepherd for all the hours they spent organizing and bringing everything together so calmly and splendidly, to Norma, Malcolm and Mr. Tonkins for wonderful eggs and to all who came - only people can make days like this special! Added to all that, the Autumn Fayre has raised to date very welcome £2,419.33 for church funds. This is likely to be increased by a further £600 due to Kathryn Houlihan’s match-funding arrangement with Barclays Bank.

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.

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’ please let Sarah have your email address she will forward it on to you.



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN ST AUSTELL

The Churches in St Austell are joining together for their Annual Big Christmas Sing on Saturday 17th December at 12 noon in Alymer Square. Please be there and support this ecumenical celebration of our Lord’s birth.

COLLECTIONS - Thank you

The parish collection total below does not include Standing Orders which average at £314 per week. Cheques should be made payable to: PRC DTR St. Austell Parish.
Parish collection: £690.77; Candles: £36.22; Coffee: £10.27; Flowers: £11.32; Autumn Fayre: £2,383.53.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers those in the parish who are sick or housebound especially *Pauline Abdey, Fred Abraham, Sylvia Austin, Maura Bennett, Brendan Bowe, Teiaia Bradbury, James & Margaret Clapp, Maureen Coles, Mary Coupe, Milena Danielli, Trevona Delany, Mary Dineen, Sue Dugmore, Mark Eustice, Helen Gibson, Florence Godolphin, Teresita Hill, John Jones, Cynthia Longthorp, Carmen Matthews, Sarah McGivern, Sarah Mitchell, Mary O’Brien, Valerie Parkinson, June Parsons, Pamela Platt, Connie Pope, Edwina Porter-Duncan, Tony Shortall, Amanda Stickney, Pauline Whitford, Sally Wilson.*

COGITAMENTA

‘and then, just when everything is bearing down on us to such an extent that we can scarcely withstand it, the Christmas message comes to tell us that all our ideas are wrong and that what we take to be evil and dark is really good and light because it comes from God. Our eyes are at fault, that is all. God is in the manger, wealth in poverty, light in darkness, succour in abandonment. No evil can befall us whatever men do to us, they cannot but serve God who is secretly revealed as love and rules the world and our lives.’
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

‘Into this world, this demented inn in which there is absolutely no room for him at all, Christ comes uninvited.’

Thomas Merton



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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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