

# PARISH OF SAINT AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO

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## THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT (Year B)

### Sunday 17th December 2017 - GAUDETE SUNDAY

#### TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday	16th Dec.	9.30 a.m. <b>Mass (<i>in Latin</i>)</b>	
		10.15 a.m. <b>Confessions</b> ( <i>Fr. Robbie- until 11.15 a.m.</i> )	
		5.15 p.m. <b>Confessions</b> ( <i>until 5.45 p.m.</i> )	
		6.00 p.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. Michael Kelly RIP</i> )	
Sunday	17th Dec.	8.30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. Carmel Collar</i> )	
		10.30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. The Parish</i> )	
Tuesday	19th Dec.	7.00 p.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. George Mayhew RIP</i> )	
Wednesday	20th Dec.	10.30 a.m. <b>Mass - St Lucy</b> ( <i>Int. Brendan Bowe</i> )	
		11.00 a.m. <b>Exposition followed by the Angelus</b>	
Thursday	21st Dec.	12 noon <b>The Angelus</b>	
		12.05 p.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. Stephen Jones - for his recovery</i> )	
Friday	22nd Dec.	10.30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. Ivo Whittington RIP</i> )	
Saturday	23rd Dec.	9.30 a.m. <b>Mass (<i>in Latin</i>)</b>	
		5.15 p.m. <b>Confessions</b> ( <i>until 5.45 p.m.</i> )	
		6.00 p.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. Leslie &amp; Iris Hyde RIP</i> )	
Sunday	24th Dec.	8.30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. David Walker RIP</i> )	
		10.30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> ( <i>Int. The Parish</i> )	
		11.30 p.m. <b>Carols &amp; Midnight Mass</b> ( <i>Int. The Parish</i> )	
Monday	25th Dec.	8.30 a.m. <b>Christmas Mass</b> ( <i>Homeless &amp; St. Petroc's</i> )	
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>		10.30 a.m. <b>Christmas Mass</b> ( <i>Nicholas Medlin RIP</i> )	

**ORDINARIATE MASSES:** Sunday 5.30 p.m. (*not 24th Dec.*) & Wednesday 7.00 p.m.



## POPE FRANCIS' DECEMBER INTENTION

**The Elderly:** That the elderly, sustained by families and Christians, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 16th Dec - Michael Kelly RIP (Mollie Cundy's intention). Sun 17th Dec - 8.30 am - Carmel Collar (Mollie Cundy & Beryl Blackwell's intention). Tues 19th Dec - George Mayhew RIP (Jacqui Milford's intention). Wed 20th Dec - Brendan Bowe (Martin Byrne's intention) Thurs 21st Dec - Stephen Jones, for his recovery (Pat Kotwinski's intention). Fri 22nd Dec - Ivo Whittington RIP (Lyn Whittington's intention) Sat 23rd Dec - Leslie & Iris Hyde RIP (Gloria Hocking's intention). Sun 24th Dec - 8.30am - David Walker RIP (Christina Walker's intention). Mon 25th Dec - 8.30am - The Homeless and the staff of St. Petroc's Society; 10.30am - Nicholas Medlin RIP (Andrea Gray's intention)

## 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 Robbie Low will be available to hear confessions this **Saturday 16th December, 10.15am - 11.15am.**

## FR. PETER'S ADVENT LETTER

If you have not received a copy of Fr. Peter's letter please let the Parish Office have details of your name and address (yellow forms are available in the Narthex) so that one can be sent to you and you do not miss out next time! If you have moved house in the past twelve months and have not yet informed the Parish Office, please let Sarah know as soon as possible. Thank you.

## BLESSING OF EXPECTANT MOTHERS

During all Masses next weekend, **4th Sunday of Advent**, there will be an opportunity for expectant mothers to receive a blessing. If you would like to avail yourself of this blessing please make yourself known to Fr. Peter or Deacon John before Mass.

## CHRISTMAS MASSES

**Christmas Eve: Midnight Mass preceded by Carols & Readings at 11.30 p.m.**

**Christmas Day: Masses at 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.**

**Boxing Day, the Feast of St Stephen: Mass at 10.30 a.m.**

This year, the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve fall on the same day. This means that the regular Sunday Masses at 8.30am & 10.30am will celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent - Expectant Mothers.

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION & READERS

I would be very grateful if Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers who are available over Christmas and New Year would sign the lists in the Porch. Thank you very much.

**Rosemary Jeffery**

## **CHRISTMAS OFFERING**

The Christmas Offerings go direct to the Parish Priest. If you pay tax or give by standing order and would like to gift aid your offering (£10 or over), please place your donation in one of the bright blue 'Gift Aid' envelopes available in the Narthex. Those of you who regularly use envelopes can use the Christmas Offering envelope included in the pack you use for your weekly donation. Thank you.

## **ADVENT GIVING TREE**

The Advent Giving Tree will be taken down after the 10.30am Mass this coming *Wednesday 20th December*. All gifts and donations need to be placed below the tree or in the wooden collection box by then so that they can be distributed before Christmas. *Thank you*

## **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 will be placed beside the Crib, next to the mosaic of St Augustine.

## **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 Christmas cards and other Christmas items, 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.

## **NEW DIOCESAN TRUSTEES**

The Trustees of the Diocese are responsible to the Charity Commission for the running of the Diocese as a registered Charity. Their invaluable work helps ensure that the mission of the church in the Diocese is carried out responsibly and smoothly. The Diocese is looking to recruit one or two new trustees with particular expertise in accountancy, corporate financial management or in Human Resources management (HR). If you would like to know more please contact: Mgr Robert Draper VG, Moderator of the Curia, St Boniface House, Ashburton TQ13 7JL.

## **GATHER 2018, 19th - 21st January**

### **Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay**

Join Bishop Mark O'Toole, Fr Denis McBride, David Wells, Cannon Paul Cummins, catechists, teachers, clergy and friends of the Diocese of Plymouth for a weekend of friendship, faith and formation. Cost £150 residential, £40 non-residential day rate. Early booking is essential, booking forms are available on the table in the Narthex.

## **DIOCESAN YEAR BOOK 2018**

The 2018 issue of the Diocesan Year book is now available in the Narthex, price £4.00. Please place your money in the wall box in the Porch. Thank you.

## **ALTERNATIVE GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS**

Catalogues for CAFOD 'World Gifts' are available in the Narthex and Porch. For those wishing to give a gift through 'Cornish Christmas Giving' please let Sarah have your email address and she will forward the catalogue on to you.

## **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS - message from Bishop Mark O'Toole**

Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then it is important to make your voice heard. The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and have promised to abandon it. It is now necessary to tell them not to u-turn on their promise to Catholics. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools. Thank you for your cooperation.

## **COLLECTIONS Thank you**

*The parish collection total below does not include Standing Orders which average at £327 per week. Cheques should be made payable to: PRC DTR St. Austell Parish.*  
Parish Collection: £691.00 Candles: £26.87; Seminarian Fund: £5.00;  
Coffee: £8.35; Autumn Fayre Donation: £35.00.

## **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 Delaney, Mary Dineen, Sue Dugmore, Helen Gibson, Pat Giles, Elaine Gladwin, Florence Godolphin, Teresita Hill, Cynthia Longthorp, Elizabeth McKie, Carmen Matthews, Sarah Mitchell, Valerie Parkinson, June Parsons, Pamela Platt, Edwina Porter-Duncan, Tony Shortall, Amanda Stickney, Katie Symes, Paddy Wellington, Pauline Whitford, Sally Wilson.*

## **COGITAMENTA**

"Mary, who is the Virgin Most Pure, is also the Refuge of Sinners. She knows what sin is, not by the experience of its fall, not by tasting its bitter regrets, but by seeing what it did to her Divine Son." *Venerable Fulton Sheen*

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