

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

### **Holy Father's Intentions for December**

**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.

**For those for whom prayers have been requested:** Theresa Duncan, Barbara Kelly, Susan Richards, Haworth Richardson, David Poole, Mark Eustice, Molly Booth, Ligaya Baptista, Mark Ronan, Daisy Bushnell, Mark Gillette. Fr. Louis Rieunier, Patricia May, Eileen Sturock and Gladys Weaver.

**PASTORAL COMMITTEE** The next Meeting will be on **Monday, 18th January 2016 7.30pm** in church after mass

### **FUTURE FUNDRAISING AND SOCIALISING EVENTS**

**Bonus Ball.** There was no winner last week. Still not too late to join; choose your number(s), fill in a form, put it in the envelope with a cheque for £20 and return to the basket at the back of Church.

**CHRISTMAS STALL 13th Dec** Any baking for the stall would be much appreciated.

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE 13th December** Draw tickets now on sale

**FOOD BANK** Please don't forget to bring regular donations to put in the box at the back of Church.

**2016 DIARIES** Now available at the back of Church, free of charge!!

**BIG CLEAN FOR CHRISTMAS** Saturday 12th December, 10am after 9am Mass. We welcome any offers of help alongside our bi-monthly teams. Especially from new parishioners as it is a good opportunity to meet new people.

**ADVENT PREPARATION** In preparation to celebrate Christmas, during Advent there will be a series of Holy Hours :

**Thursday 3rd December 2pm Tuesday 22nd December 12noon**

**Thursday 10th December 2pm**

**Tuesday 15th December 12 noon**

### **Parish Safeguarding Representatives**

**Tavistock:** Gill Mill 01822 613677, Maria Neal 01822 834846(Admin)

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## **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year C)**

**Sunday 29th November 2015**

### **TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES**

Sunday	29th Nov	9.15am	<i>The Parish</i>
		5.30pm.	<b>St. Austell</b> ( <i>The Ordinariate Mission</i> )
Monday	30th Nov	7.00pm	<i>St. Andrew</i>
Tuesday	1st Dec	10.00am	<i>Ferial</i>
Wednesday	2nd Dec	7.00pm	<b>St. Austell</b> <i>St. Osmund of Salisbury</i>
Thursday	3rd Dec	10.00am	<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>
Saturday	5th Dec	<b>8.00am</b>	<i>Ferial</i>
Sunday	6th Dec	9.15am	<b>2nd Sunday of Advent</b>
		5.30pm	<b>St Austell</b> ( <i>The Ordinariate Mission</i> )

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Monday 6pm - 6.45pm**

### **EXPOSITION (with Benediction)**

**Tuesday after Mass until 11am**

### **ROSARY**

**Saturday, after Mass**

## WELCOME!

We welcome all visitors to Tavistock Catholic Church. If you want to contribute to the upkeep of our Church and you are a UK tax payer, please use the blue envelopes provided in the pews. Please complete the form on the envelope; through your generosity we receive 25p back for every £1 you give. *Thank you for your help.*

## FR. JOHN'S DIARY THIS WEEK

**Monday** 2pm Study Group  
**Wednesday** St. Austell  
**Thursday** 2pm Holy Hour  
**Friday** Day Off  
**Saturday** 9.20am HMP Dartmoor

CHRISTMAS CONCERT featuring Canticorum on *Saturday 12th December 2015 7.30pm* in the church. Raffle and refreshments. Retiring collection. Your support would be appreciated for this fundraising event, for what should be an enjoyable and entertaining evening of Christmas words and music

WELCOME BOXES. Any gifts for Syrian Refugees will be gratefully received by the young people of the parish who are co-ordinating the boxes. For more details see Rebecca. Items required include small sweets, chocolate, gloves, scarfs, hats, toiletries writing materials, toothbrushes

OPEN DOOR There are just a few weeks left for this year's "Open Door" as part of our contract with English Heritage. Many thanks to everyone who have helped to keep the Church open and fulfil our obligation for the grant we received. Open Door next yr will begin on **Saturday 19th March**

IGNATIAN PRAYER GROUP Next meeting 2nd December at 7.30pm Isaiah 9:1-7 The Coming King. More details from Liz Moles (616243)

YOUTH GROUP - Apologies the meeting on Tuesday 8th December has had to be cancelled. A new date will be made after Christmas

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE Will be **Monday 7th December** following the 7pm Mass

CHRISTMAS CARDS are on sale at the back of Church, please note that these are the only Christmas cards being sold in Church.

RCIA should you know of anyone interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith, relation, friend or neighbour please let Fr. John know

## CORNWALL ORDINARIATE MISSION.

STUDY GROUP Wednesday 20th January , 2pm at Linda's

PRE-CHRISTMAS LUNCH - **Sunday, 20th December, 1.30pm** at the Bosun's Diner, Charlestown. The cost is £18 and a list will soon be in Church

PROCLAIM 15 Building Missionary Parishes After Christmas we shall be starting a six week course entitled "**Forming Intentional Disciples**". The course will help us to understand our relationship with Jesus and how, with confidence, we can proclaim our faith. The course is exciting, enlightening and helps us to see just how important our faith is and how it is important to pass it onto others. The initial course will be in the afternoons to save people coming out in the dark. There is a course book which costs £10.50 which Fr. John will order for each person. A list will soon be in church for those interested. In parishes where this course has been used in the Diocese, there has not only been a large uptake by parishioners, but also a "growing together" of the parish community. **Lets make Tavistock part of it!**

CONFIRMATION TRAINING: (*Confirmation: Sunday 24th April*)

**Wednesday 2nd Dec, after school—6pm**

**Saturday 12th Dec, 1.30pm—5pm.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING: (*Sunday 29th May*)

**Sunday 29th Nov, 10.30am—11.30am**

**Saturday 12th Dec, 11am-1pm**

NOTRE DAME SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING **Thursday 3rd December 4.30pm - 6.30pm** Details on the poster at back of church.

COLLECTIONS. 8th November 2015

Cash Collections £198.39

Gift Aid Donations £210.00

(*This figure does not include 'one off donations'*.)

**Total this week: £398.39**

**Weekly Budget Amount £580.76**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**