#### FOR OUR PRAYERS

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

**Universal: End to Child-Soldiers**: That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over

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

For those for whom prayers have been requested: The Sick: Theresa Duncan, Barbara Kelly, Susan Richards, Haworth Richardson, David Poole, Mark Eustice, Molly Booth, Ligaya Baptista, Daisy Bushnell, Maureen Wildash, Eileen Sturock, Peter Eustice, Antoinetta Jode, Paul Slater-Lindsay

PASTORAL COMMITTEE The next Meeting will be on Monday,
 23rd January 7.30pm in church after mass
 FINANCE COMMITTEE Next meeting on Thursday 16th Feb. 2017
 7.30pm

FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS AND FUNDRAISING CHRISTMAS DRAW will take place on 11th DECEMBER. Tickets are now on sale. Prizes: Meal at Peter Tavy Inn, Cream Tea at the Bedford Hotel, Gift box from Lewis Pharmacy, Bottle of Cognac, Christmas cake, £5 Vouchers for the Pasty House, tin of sweets and biscuits and many others, together with

<u>CHRISTMAS STALL ON 11th DEC</u> There will be cakes, fresh bread, Christmas cake mixes, craft items, bulbs and various Christmas gifts to buy.

<u>FOOD BANK</u> "Christmas at the Foodbank" please donate the Christmas "extras" my the end of November to enable volunteers to distribute them. Thank you for your generosity, it is appreciated.

#### **Parish Safeguarding Representatives**

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

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR A) Sunday 4th December 2016

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

| Sunday    | 4th Dec  | 9.15am           | The Parish                                    |
|-----------|----------|------------------|---|
|           |          | 5.00pm.          | St. Austell (Novus Ordo)                      |
| Monday    | 5th Dec  | 6.30pm<br>7.00pm | Ferial  Reconciliation Service                |
| Tuesday   | 6th Dec  | 10.00am          | St. Nicholas                                  |
| Wednesday | 7th Dec  | 7.00pm           | St. Austell (Divine Worship)                  |
| Thursday  | 8th Dec  | 8.30am           | Immaculate Conception of Our Lady (Solemnity) |
| Saturday  | 10th Dec | 9.30am           | Ferial  |
| Sunday    | 11th Dec | 9.15am           | 3rd Sunday of Advent                          |
|           |          | 5.30pm           | St Austell (The Ordinariate Mission)          |

### Sacrament of Penance:

Monday 7pm this week

**Exposition & Benediction:** *Monday* 6.00pm - 6.45pm

Tuesday - after Mass

#### **Holy Rosary:**

Saturday - after Mass (for more vocations to the priesthood)

#### **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

Wednesday St. Austell

12.45pm Penrice College

2.00pm Study Group

**Thursday** 9.15am Tavistock College

11.30am TACT

**Friday** Day off

Saturday 9.30am Echoes Course

<u>ECHOES COURSE</u> This Saturday is Session 10 of the course and is entitled "What can we do?" The session begins at 9.30am with Mass and Holy Rosary, and concludes with the Angelus at 12 noon.

NEXT SUNDAY 11TH DEC CHRISTMAS STALL AND DRAW this is our biggest fundraiser of the year, please stay a while, have a mince pie and coffee, wait and see if you have won on the draw and buy from the stall

CHRISTMAS CARDS & ADVENT CALENDARS These are now on sale at the back of church by the font; all profits go to the church. Many thanks to Barbara for organising the sale. DIARIES at back of church, Theses are free please help yourself

#### SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS - SAT 17th DEC, 7pm

The carols and music will be lead by the **Canticorum Choir.** Fr John will be asking for volunteers to read at the service and we will be joined by members of other churches in the Town. Refreshments including mince pies, will be available and also a raffle. The service is based on the original service that took place at Truro Cathedral which was organised for those building the Cathedral at the time. There is no charge for the event, but there will be a retiring collection to cover costs.

WALK WITH ME Advent booklets available at back of church £1 each

#### CORNWALL ORDINARIATE MISSION.

**BONUS BALL** Numbers are a £1 and available from James at the end of Mass.

<u>STUDY GROUP</u> The next meeting will be **Wednesday 7th Dec 2pm** at Linda's. We will continue to look at the Extra Ordinary Form of Mass

PRE CHRISTMAS DINNER - SUNDAY 18th DECEMBER,

**PENTEWAN** James has all the details on price and menus

<u>IGNATIAN PRAYER GROUP</u> Next mtg will be on 14th Dec and the meditation will be on Luke 1: 39-45 (The Visitation) Mtg will be held at Liz Moles house starting at 7.30pm (31 Grenville Drive Tavistock) Details from Liz 01822 811045

SHOE BOXES FOR THE REFUGEES Once again the Youth are collecting items to fill the shoe boxes to be given out to the Refugees coming to this country. If you can bring in Shoe boxes and any items to fill them it would be appreciated. Please see Gill for details.

TACT TOYS FOR CHRISTMAS Through the Revd Steve Martin, TACT is organising a local *Presents Appeal*. 70 new, unused toys for ages **0** - **14** are required. Monetary gifts welcome (in sealed envelope, cheques payable to St. Eustachius Parish church) Please drop off at church by **next Sunday**. Do not wrap the toys. Contact Revd. Steve Martin on 01822 611148.

CHURCH GIVING During Advent as we prepare to celebrate the greatest gift of all to the world, the birth of Jesus our Saviour of the world, please think prayerfully and carefully about what we give financially to the Church. Each week we need £600 to pay the bills to keep the Church going; that works out on average of £6.50 per person each Sunday. If we make our contribution by standing order, we ensure that our contribution is still paid, when we are away. Also Gift Aiding gives the Church 25p back from every £1 you pay. Finance Committee

#### **ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES:**

Monday, 5th Dec 7pm Tavistock Tuesday, 13th Dec 7pm Yelverton COLLECTIONS. 27th November 2016

Cash Collections £229.90
Gift Aid Donations £210.00
Total Amount £439.90

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

Weekly Budget Amount £600.00