

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Holy Father's Intentions for December:

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

For those for whom prayers have been requested:

The Sick: Theresa Duncan, Barbara Kelly, Susan Richards, Haworth Richardson, David Poole, Molly Booth, Ligaya Baptista, Daisy Bushnell, Maureen Wildash, Eileen Sturock, Peter Eustice, Paul Slater-Lindsay, Teresa Yelland, Jo Hall.

PASTORAL COMMITTEE Mon 22nd Jan, 7.30 pm

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE: next meeting TBA

FINANCE COMMITTEE Next meeting: Thurs 11th Jan, 7.30pm.

RAFFLE, STALL AND BIG CLEAN!: A very big Thank You to all who have supported these recent events.

WOMENS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Please contact Barbara Fenton if you would be interested in becoming a new representative for this group. There will be a meeting in January 2018 to discuss.

2018 DIARIES: These are now available at the back of Church and make an excellent stocking filler or gift. They are **free** of charge!

FORTHCOMING SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS:

NEXT FUNDRAISER: For folding tables and chairs.

QUIZ NIGHT: Friday 26th January at 7pm at the URC in Russell Street. Tickets for the quiz and Fish and Chip Supper will be on sale shortly.

FOOD BANK: Please remember the Food Bank at Christmas and make it one of your Christmas gifts.

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year B)

O Sapientia

Sunday 17th December, 2017

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

Sunday	17th Dec	9.15am	<i>The Parish</i>
		5.00pm.	St Austell (<i>Divine Worship</i>)
Monday	18th Dec	12 noon	<i>O Adonai</i>
Tuesday	19th Dec	10.00am	<i>O Radix Jesse</i>
Wednesday	20th Dec	7.00pm	St. Austell <i>O Clavis David</i>
Thursday	21st Dec	10.00am	<i>O Oriens</i>
Saturday	23rd Dec	12 noon	<i>O Emmanuel</i>
Sunday	24th Dec	9.15am	4th Sunday of Advent
		6.00pm	Vigil Mass of Christmas

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction:

Monday: 11.30am - 11.50am

Tuesday: After Mass

Holy Rosary: Saturday after Mass

Sacrament of Confession:

Saturday: 9am - 9.40am

WELCOME!

We welcome all visitors to Tavistock Catholic Church. If you would like to contribute to the upkeep of our Church and you are a UK tax payer, please use the blue envelopes provided on the table at the back of church. 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:

Tuesday 7pm Reconciliation Service, Crownhill

Wednesday St Austell

Friday Day off

NEXT SUNDAY: Perhaps the most inconvenient day to have Christmas Day on is a Monday. Not only does it create the shortest Advent, but it also means that Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday. Next Sunday morning the church celebrates the 4th Sunday of Advent and is still a Holy Day of Obligation, so Mass will be as usual at 9.15am. Then on Sunday evening we begin our celebration of Christmas with the Vigil Mass at 6pm. The times of Masses over Christmas are listed below and Christmas Day is a Day of Obligation, A Blessed Christmas to everyone!

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

Christmas Eve: 9.15am 4th Sunday of Advent

6pm Vigil Mass

11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day: 10am Mass of the Day

FORMATION DAYS FOR CATECHISTS: A four-part course for all catechists and 'would be' catechists. This course is free and will be run by Dr Farey from the School of Annunciation. Venue St. Peter's Parish Rm, Crownhill 10.30 - 1pm Saturdays, 3rd Feb, 5th May, 6th Oct 2018 and 19th January 2019. Please put in your diary!

CONNECT @ BUCKFAST ABBEY—YOUTH EVENT: This is an exciting interactive experience organised by the Abbey's Education Department on **Saturday 13th January 2018**. £5.00 per person to book : call 01364 645517 or email:education@buckfast.org.uk.

IGNATIAN PRAYER GROUP: The Ignatian Prayer Group will begin again in January. Further details from Liz Moles (616243).

CORNWALL ORDINARIATE MISSION.

(Part of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham Charity No: 1141536)

BONUS BALL: Whilst James is away, the Bonus Ball is suspended.

CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT: If you wish to make your Confession during Advent, Fr. John will be available on Wednesday and Sunday. If possible, please make your confession **before Mass**.

CHRISTMAS: Because of the present situation, sadly I shall not be able to be with you to celebrate Christmas. Today's Mass will be the last Ordinariate Mass until the Sunday after Christmas (The Holy Family). Please attend the Masses provided by the Parish (including next Sunday morning) to fulfil Sunday and Christmas obligations. A Blessed Christmas to you all.

SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS: Many thanks indeed to everyone who supported this event; what a wonderful evening it was. Our special thanks to *Canticorum* for their wonderful singing. It was also good to see members of other churches in Tavistock in our Church supporting the event.

LAUNDRY ROTA: Many thanks to the three people who have volunteered to help with the laundry. Fr. John will sort our arrangements with everyone after Christmas.

BUILDING DEVELOPMENT & THE BACK OF CHURCH: Once the new Sacristy has been completed and fully moved into, the old Sacristy will be demolished. This means that after Christmas we have to clear the back of Church. If anyone would like any of the benches currently stored by the old Sacristy, please have a word with Fr. John.

Collections 10th December 2017

Cash collections	£140.00
Gift Aid Donations	£234.00
Total Amount	£374.00
Budgeted Weekly Collection	£500.00
Weekly Cost to run the Church	£700.00
<i>(This figure does not include `one off` donations.)</i>	
Attendance	87

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY