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Large Print Newsletter & Hymns: Chairs with arms: are all available on request if you need them

A VERY WARM WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS - WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR STAY IN CORNWALL

Visitors: you are welcome to join us for refreshments after Mass in St Ives and after 5 p.m. Mass in Penzance.

THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT: GAUDETE SUNDAY (Year A Psalter 3)

PENZANCE 1st Mass of Sunday on Saturdays at 5p.m.

Sat 10 December

Mass 5.00 p.m. *Private Intention*

Sun 11 December

Mass 11.00 a.m. with Children's Liturgy
Ron Pender RIP

Advent Carol Service 6.00 p.m.

Mon 12 December

Mass 10.00 a.m. *A Thanksgiving*

Tue 13 December St Lucy

Mass 12 noon *Victoria & John West RIP*
Parish School Carol Service 6.00 p.m.

Wed 14 December

Parish School Christingle Service 2.00 p.m.

Thu 15 December *Annie Fowler (sick)*

Mass 9.30 a.m. End of Term Mass in School

Sat 17 December O Sapientia Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass 5.00 p.m. *Frank, Patricia, John, Peter, Frank Jnr McArdle RIP*

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is celebrated every Saturday from 4.15 – 4.45 p.m.

ISLES OF SCILLY:

11th Sunday: Liturgy & Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.

Bishop Christopher should be back by 13th so watch notice board for times. **Mass on Sunday 18th 10.30 a.m.**

Before Mass *Talk to God During Mass Listen to God After Mass Talk to each other*

Switch off your phone: *Switch on your heart and mind*

Today is Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday, and the **Advent Carol Service** is at 6 p.m. in Penzance with readings and seasonal music led by the choir. All welcome and followed by mince pies and mulled wine/soft drinks.

Penitential Liturgies this week in Falmouth 13th: Truro 15th & Camborne 16th. All are at 7 p.m. with visiting priests

ST IVES

Sun 11 December

Mass 9.00 a.m. *Parish and People*

Wed 14 December St John of the Cross

Mass 9.30 a.m. *Winnie Howard RIP*

Reconciliation, every first Sunday at 8.30 a.m.

HAYLE

1st Mass of Sunday on Saturdays at 6.30 p.m.

Sat 10 December

Mass 6.30 p.m. *Muriel Hartley RIP*

Fri 16 December

Mass 10.00 a.m. *Nigel Mellor*

Christmas Masses follow the normal weekend pattern:

Sat 24th: Vigil Mass in Penzance at **5 p.m.** & **Hayle 6.30 Midnight** in Penzance (with carols from 11.20, Mass begins at Midnight.) **Christmas Day: St Ives**, Mass of the Dawn **9 a.m.** & Mass of the Day **11 a.m.** Penzance.

Prisoners of Conscience Christmas Greetings can be signed this weekend after Masses in Penzance.

Prayer Group and Beloved Disciples DVD for the "Over Sixties" Because of the rush of the next two weeks, and illness, **the groups will not meet again until into the New Year.** Be assured we will meet and finish off the two courses before embarking on whatever we plan to come before Lent.

Parish School Carol Service Tuesday 13th 6 p.m.

Parish School Christingle Wednesday 14th 2 p.m.

Parishioners are welcome to these services.

The December Bingo, is this Thursday, 15th eyes down at 2 p.m. with seasonal eats.

Christmas Lights and Stars of Remembrance in Penzance: forms are on the table at the back of church.

The file index- box for the Christmas cards you give to each other is in the porch. Keep looking for your cards.

Hayle: Donate a star in memory of a loved one.

Holy Mass will be offered for the repose of their souls, and their names included in a basket at the foot of the altar. Names and donations to Stella Whear. This is the best we can do this year, until the hall is built; it is getting on!

Flowers: collection towards flowers for Christmas and following in Pz and St Ives this weekend.

Carols in Wharfedale with Churches Together in Pz on Thursday 22nd from 4.30 p.m. Let David Smith know if joining them: ses.dhs@hotmail.co.uk or 07979856456

Christmas Stall and Cards available in Penzance.

Watch and Pray will reopen again in the January.

Bazaar: Many, many thanks to all who supported, helped in so many different ways. Result so far £3134.

Children's Christmas Party will be on Saturday, 17th December from 2 – 4 p.m. Please sign the list if coming.

Parishioners open new exhibition in Newlyn: Unit 7, Wesley Place, Newlyn, TR18 5AZ (up the lane past Harbourside Physiotherapy) Alison & Andrew: see www.ledgerwood-walker.com for more details.

Pilgrimages 2017:

Medjugorje Pilgrimage 13th May 2017. A few places left, see poster or www.maryqueenofpeace.info/2017

Walsingham: 1- 7 October 2017. £50 deposit (non returnable) to Christine, assures your place. You can pay weekly towards the pilgrimage if you wish, speak to Christine.

Lourdes with Plymouth Diocese 27 May – 2 June 2017 flying from Exeter £779 fully inclusive. The youth also go as part of the diocesan pilgrimage £470. See posters.

CAFOD World Gifts: the true spirit of Christmas giving plenty catalogues available in all churches for you all. Harvest Fast total was £700 plus some Gift Aid. Thanks

CAFOD are looking for School Volunteers: come and join our vibrant team who share the inspirational work of CAFOD in schools throughout the Diocese. No experience necessary - full training and expenses given. If you are confident speaking in front of groups and enthusiastic about the work of CAFOD, please get in touch with Simon Giarchi: 01752 268 768 or email plymouth@cafod.org.uk:

Gather 2017 Gracious Gift

We are delighted to announce that **catechists, teachers, parents,** clergy and friends from across the Diocese of Plymouth will be meeting together on 3–5 March 2017 at the Best Western Livermead Cliff Hotel Torquay for a time of friendship, support and inspiration. The weekend will include keynote speakers, plenary talks, shared liturgies, quiet space for prayer, a choice of workshops and plenty of time to meet, talk, laugh and be encouraged in our faith. Bishop Mark O'Toole will celebrate Mass with us. Residential rate £150 (2 nights B&B, lunch and dinner on Saturday). Single room supplement £20. Non-residential rate £40. More details and booking form from Office.

Christmas Giving to St Petroc's who work with the homeless and rootless in Cornwall. Envelopes for you are in all our churches for your offerings.

Plymouth Diocesan Year Book for 2017 is now available @ £4. Plenty of information and Mass times across the Diocese.

Church Diaries 2017 in our churches. Donations welcome

Next Weeks newsletter will also cover the 12 Days of Christmas. Any news etc for early January that you want included send it to the Office by Wednesday 14th.

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for December

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

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

All our parishioners and young people, For evangelisation in the parish. Our own sick, housebound & those in Hospitals or Hospice: Ray & Christine Blaker, Lynda Cripps, Mary Dean, Christine Bunt, Jennifer Prin, Leanne Thomas, Tom Dauncey Jnr, Tony Lidiard, Simone Slater, Jim Scott, Jake B, Michael Loughran, Colin & Gazelle, Jackie Corsi, Mary Rawley, Andy Wilkins, Judith Milton, Joyce Rogers, Sue Rowies, Eileen Nolan, Patricia Martin, Anthony O'Mahony, Mary Syms, Fr Robbie Low, Anne Wilson, Aidan Stevens, baby Hugo, Jude Le Grice, Wyn Xenaky, Nick Clatworthy Maria Rojas, Kathy & Bob Carr, Diane Russell, Eamon McWilliams, Len Evans, Tony Noonan, Annie Fowler & Pat Judge (recovering) also for Peggy Harvey and her two adult children esp. Richard, and Fr George Roth, Helena Federova, Christine Joscelyne & John Syrett. For those who have died, esp. and for all who mourn.

THE GREAT 'O' ADVENT ANTIPHONS

Use these as a prayer each day to Christmas Eve.

17th O Sapientia: O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth the Most High, reaching from one end of the earth to the other, strongly and graciously ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

18th O Adonai: O Lord of Might, and Leader of the house of Israel, you appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush, and on Sinai gave him the Law: Come, and with your great power redeem us.

19th O Radix Jesse: O Root of Jesse, standing as a sign for the people, in your presence kings will fall silent, the nations will cry out to you: Come, deliver us, do not delay.

20th O Clavis David: O Key of David, ruler of the house of Israel: You open, no one closes, you close, no one opens: Come, lead the captives from prison and those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

21st O Oriens: O Morning Star, radiance of the eternal Light, Sun of justice: Come and enlighten those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

22nd O Rex Gentium: O King of the Peoples and long desired by them, cornerstone of the church, Jew and Gentile you make one: Come and save your people, made from the dust of the earth.

23rd O Emmanuel: King and Lawgiver, Saviour of the Peoples, awaited by them throughout the ages: Come and save us, Lord our God.

Smile Lines: A man was terribly overweight, so his doctor put him on a diet. He said 'I want you to eat regularly for two days, then skip a day, and repeat the procedure for two weeks. The next time I see you, you should have lost at least five pounds. When the man returned to the doctor, the doctor was amazed to find that he had lost nearly twenty pounds. 'Well done, did you follow my instructions?' 'Yes', said the man 'but I thought I was going to drop dead On the third day.' 'What, from hunger?' 'No, from skipping.'