



ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

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

THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS: A VERY BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO ALL

PENZANCE

Sun 24 December CHRISTMAS EVE
VIGIL MASS 5.00 p.m. Parish and People

MON 25 December CHRISTMAS DAY
MIDNIGHT MASS at 12 CAROLS FROM 11.20 p.m.
Damien Ryan RIP

SOLEMN MASS OF THE DAY 11.00 A.M. P & P

Thu 28 December The Holy Innocents
Mass 10.00 a.m. Tony King RIP

Fri 29 December St Thomas Becket
Requiem Mass 10.00 a.m. Funeral Patricia Hocking RIP

1st Mass of Sunday on Saturdays 5.00 p.m.

Sat 30 December THE HOLY FAMILY
Mass 5.00 p.m. Marie Legg RIP

Sun 31 December
Solemn Mass 11.00 a.m. Frances and Fred Prowse RIP

2024

WE PRAY FOR A PEACEFUL AND GOOD NEW YEAR.

MON 1 January SOLEMNITY MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
Mass 10.00 a.m. Mary Blackmore RIP

Wed 3 January Funeral Liturgy 2 pm Richard Pingree

Thu 4 January
Mass 10.00 a.m. David Beckerleg RIP

Fri 5 January
Mass 10.00 a.m. Robert Wills RIP

1st Mass of Sunday on Saturdays 5.00 p.m.

Sat 6 January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Mass 5.00 p.m. Mary and Ken Johns RIP

Sun 7 January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Solemn Mass 11.00 a.m. Bernard Horsham RIP

Mon 8 January THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
Mass 10.00 a.m.

HAYLE

Sun 24 December CHRISTMAS EVE
MASS 6.30 p.m. CAROLS FROM 6 p.m. Tom Crellin RIP

Tue 26 December St Stephen- Protomartyr
Mass 10.00 a.m. Monica Gordon RIP

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

Sat 30 December THE HOLY FAMILY
Mass 6.30 p.m. Parish and People

Tue 2 January St Basil and St Gregory Nazianzen
Mass 10.00 a.m. Andy Brooks (ill)

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

Sat 6 January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Mass 6.30 p.m. Parish and People

ST IVES

MON 25 December CHRISTMAS DAY
MASS OF THE DAWN 9.00 a.m. The Kenny Family RIP

Wed 27 December St John Apostle & Evangelist
Mass 10.00 a.m. Eric (RIP) & Margaret Reeves

Sun 31 December THE HOLY FAMILY
Mass 9.00 a.m. Tom, Priscilla & Evelyn Kerr

Wed 3 January
Mass 10.00 a.m. Maurice Porter RIP

Sun 7 January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Mass 9.00 a.m. Eileen and Len: Good health

Refreshments in the Hall below after Sunday Mass

ISLES OF SCILLY

Sundays: Liturgy and Holy Communion 10.30 a.m.
as announced.

Other Services/events see noticeboard for details.

Reconciliation/Confessions; Penzance: Saturdays from 4.15- 4.45 p.m. **St Ives** Sunday before Mass 8.30 a.m. or Wednesdays. **Hayle** after 6.30 p.m. Mass or Tuesdays before Mass **or any time by appointment.**

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention DECEMBER

For the People with disabilities: may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer programmes that value their active participation.

JANUARY INTENTION: For the gift of Diversity in the Church: that the Spirit help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

For peace throughout the world and an end to all war.

For all anywhere caught up in natural disaster.

For our bishop elect: Christopher Whitehead..

The sick in Hospitals or Hospice:, Ray & Christine Blaker, Tom Dauncey Jnr, Jackie Corsi, Sue Rowies, Hugo, Caroline Schofield, Grace Bailey, Fr. Richard Finn O.P Patsy & John Stevens, John Chamberlain, Sheila Devey, Basil & Helen Perry, Poppy, Barbara Hanik, Patricia Martin, Noah, Frank Meszaros, Elliot Smith, Judith Lawrence, Daniel Williams, Mary & Patrick Ansell, Barbara Maseyk, Adrian Franke. Eleanor Greaves, Eileen Woolmington, Lucy James, Andy Brooks, Louis Carter, Patrick O'Dwyer, Joyce Sanderson, Molly Salter, Francis Malone-Lee, Ian Tomlinson, Pat Crellin, Nicky & Molly McFadden, Michael Greene, Maria Hall, Godfrey Chapell, Terry Bassett, Mary Hall, Denys Wood, Arthur Seymour, Tony McWilliams, & Phil.

Those who have died, Mary Galbraith, Patricia Hocking, Liesel Young, Nicolette Parker, Barbara Wegg, Charles South, Richard Pingree & comfort for all who mourn

Requiem Funeral Masses for

Nicolette Parker on Monday 15th January at 10.30 a.m.

Liesel Young on Thursday 18th January at 10.30 a.m. which would have been her 100th Birthday.

Mary Galbraith on Tuesday 23rd January at 10.30 a.m.

CAFOD Prayer for Fourth Sunday of Advent: LOVE

God-with-us, you made your home among us, loved by your mother Mary, and bringing her joy. As we prepare to celebrate your birth, be with us now, especially with those who are seeking refuge. Comfort us all and bring us joy.

"Rejoice, you who enjoy God's favour. The Lord is with you"

CAFOD Prayer for Christmas Day. *Christ Jesus, as we celebrate your birth in a stable, we remember all those among us who are left out, who live in poverty, who are homeless and who long to go home. Make room in our hearts for our sisters and brothers so that we may reach out to them in love. Amen.* "She wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them at the inn." (Luke 2:7)

Christmas Cake Raffle: was won by Stefan Schuh, a new parishioner. Thanks so much for all your support in buying tickets. This raised £172. 15p

Together with the **Christmas bazaar** total of £3346.81, the **Christmas Stall** in Penzance £140.40, and the **Tabletop Stall** in Hayle £88.70 a grand total of £3963.06. Well done and thanks as ever to all helpers and buyers!.

The Christmas Stars of Remembrance offerings came to £225.

January Social will be a **Roast Sunday Lunch, on Sunday 28 January: 1p.m for 1.15.**

This continues our past tradition to brighten January, and before Candlemas, and also helps those who found prices with drinks too expensive. Also helps those who find the dark nights difficult. Menu and prices to come!

Bishop elect Christopher Whitehead will be ordained Tenth Bishop of Plymouth in our Cathedral on Thursday 22nd February at 12 noon.

Please keep Bishop elect Christopher in your prayers.

It is such a blessing to have him appointed to our diocese. He tells us that he holds us, 'very much in my prayer this Christmas, hoping that you will hold me in yours' as he begins 'to embark upon a new journey in my ministry as a servant of the Church.' He invites us to gather around the crib and, 'gaze upon that child who reveals to us God's tremendous love, God's yes to humanity.'

Special Diocesan newsletter.

<https://email.workwithgusto.co.uk/t/-CD47DF3402213B312540EF23F30FEDED>

Mary's Meals: From today until 22 January 2024, **every donation made to our Double The Love** appeal will be matched, up to £1 million.

Letter from the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem.

Around noon on 16th December, a sniper of the Israeli Defence Force murdered two Christian women inside the Holy Family Parish in Gaza, where the majority of Christian families has taken refuge since the start of the war. Nahida and her daughter were shot and killed as they walked to the Sister's Convent. One was killed as she tried to carry the other to safety. Seven more people were shot and wounded as they tried to protect others inside the church compound. No warning was given, no notification was provided. They were shot in cold blood inside the premises of the Parish, where there are no belligerents.

Earlier in the morning, a rocket fired from an IDF tank targeted the Convent of the Sisters of Mother Theresa (Missionaries of Charity). The Convent is home to over 54 disabled persons and is part of the church compound, which was signalled as a place of worship since the beginning of the war. The building's generator (the only source of electricity) and the fuel resources were destroyed. The house was damaged by the resulting explosion and massive fire. Two more rockets, fired by an IDF tank, targeted the same Convent and rendered the home uninhabitable. The 54 disabled persons are currently displaced and without access to the respirators that some of them need to survive. In addition, as a result of the heavy bombing in the area, three people were wounded inside the church compound last night. Furthermore, solar panels and water tanks, which are indispensable for the survival of the community were destroyed.

Together in prayer with the whole Christian community, we express our closeness and condolences to the families affected by this senseless tragedy. At the same time, we cannot but express that we are at a loss to comprehend how such an attack could be carried out, even more so as the whole Church prepares for Christmas.

As we know CAFOD are in touch with the situation and any contribution you wish to give just give in a plain envelope marked Gaza or visit their website

New Christmas song for peace in the Holy Land.

Pope Francis has praised a brand-new Christmas song featuring Christian singers in Bethlehem and London.

"**Hear Angels Cry**" features the voice of Youstina Safar of Bethlehem and Cherrie Anderson from the London-based Electronic pop duo Ooberfuse. Sung in English and Arabic, the three- and-a-half minute song is available on YouTube, Spotify or can be bought via Amazon. Proceeds go to the Charity Friends of the Holy Land. His Holiness trusts that this musical initiative will inspire many people this Christmas to pray for a new flourishing of fraternal solidarity, reconciliation and peace in the Holy Land. Amen to that!