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Parish Newsletter: 15/16th December 2018

Date	Time	Venue	Mass	Intention
Sat 15	6.00pm	Downend	3 rd Sunday of Advent <i>Gaudete Sunday</i>	Deceased of the Sheehan Family
Sun 16	9.30am	Downend		The Stather's Family intention
Tue 18	6.30pm	Downend	Weekday of Advent	Maureen King RIP
Wed 19	9.30am	<i>Frenchay</i>	Weekday of Advent	Sheila O'Connor RIP
Wed 19	7.30pm	Downend	Advent Reconciliation Service	
Thur 20	9.30am	Downend	School Christmas Mass in Church	For all educators, staff & pupils
Fri 21	7.00pm	Downend	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Fri 21	7.30pm	Downend	Weekday of Advent ~Welcome home for Christmas~	Deceased of the Penny & Hickey Families
Sat 22	6.00pm	Downend	4 th Sunday of Advent	Catherine Ann Wider RIP
Sun 23	9.30am	Downend		Margery Grantham RIP
CONFESSIONS			Usual times~ Fri 7.00-7.20pm during Adoration & Sat 5.00-5.30pm	
ROSARY			Usual times ~ Tues 7.00pm and Thurs after morning Mass	

LAST WEEKEND'S: (1) MASS ATTENDANCE Sat Evening:116 Sun Morning:230 Carols:140	MONTHLY: (1) STANDING ORDER (S/O) DONATIONS for Oct: £2,799.50
(2) LOOSE COLLECTION & OFFERTORY ENVELOPE DONATIONS TOTAL: £578.00	(2) GIFT AID RECEIVED BACK ON S/O for May:£627 June:£614 July:£739 Aug:£658 Sept:£632
SECOND COLLECTIONS: ...no 2 nd Collections until the New year.	(3) NARTHEX COLLECTION BOX for November Holy Souls £7.50 SVP £13.40 Soup Run £46.37

Many thanks for your continued generosity for all our collections

PRAYERS FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Ken Davis (Myra Wood's brother), all who have died recently & for Stephanie Constance, Thomas Stathers, Michael Radesanski, Mary McCabe, Helen Davis, Hazel Burgess, Jean Wilson, Peter Hart, Evelyn Dagger, Kathleen Weir, Charlie O'Donnell, Teodora Stefano, Michael Grattan, Jean Kelly, Olive Rogerson, John Delf & Catherine Wider whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Rebecca Brookbank, Sheila Davis (Myra Wood's sister in law), Rosie Judd, Joline Hinchey, Barry Hyder, Mary Bird, Alan Pound, Carol Foggin, Sarah Louise Munday and Cliff Batchelor, Mary Martin, Jim Davis & Laurence and Nona Webber
* We invite you to include your own name on the list for prayers for the sick. Please notify the office if you wish your name to be kept on the list after approx. 6 months or to have your name removed at any time*

OUR HYMN BOOKS HAVE THE 'ORDER OF MASS' AT THE FRONT FOR YOU TO FOLLOW.

Words of Wisdom: Eating your words will never give you indigestion!

NOTICES:

CHRISTMAS MASSES: We would like volunteers to help with being ministers of Holy Communion, 'welcomers' and stewards for the 3 Christmas Masses. Please contact the parish office if you can help and let us know which Mass you will be able to help at.

CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERIES: It is with sad regret that, after many years of offering this service to the parish, the Uniformed Units will no longer be able to deliver cards due to the shortage of leaders & helpers. Thanks to the Units, and you all, for the years of support for this wonderful service to the Parish.**Due to this, please refrain from leaving cards at the back of Church. Over the years, we always have so many cards left, most of which Deacon Peter then wrote the addresses on & paid to have delivered, plus some are always left with just a 1st name written on it! Thank you for your cooperation with this to save cards going to waste & to save space for our busy Christmas Masses as we usually need a table to lay them all out on!**

SOUP RUN: If you can help to make more soup please store it in a plastic milk container - leave space for expansion when frozen - label it with type of soup & date made-Contact Maeve on 9560317 to arrange to drop it off. Thank you. *PLEASE be aware that they CANNOT use **duvets/pillows** & they keep being left at the back of Church. Please **do not** leave them as we have to go to the trouble of disposing of them all*

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: A huge thank you to EVERYONE who helped or came along to support our Christmas Bazaar! The profit was £2,418! Full details in the Narthex.

CHURCH SHOP: Don't forget to visit our shop for all your Christmas cards & gifts etc

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT: Thank you to everyone who was involved or who came along to enjoy the delightful Carol service last Sunday. It was a beautiful afternoon.

THANK YOU: from the Davis Family for your prayers for Jim during his recent operation. He is now home & getting stronger each day. Praise the Lord for His goodness.

APF: Please could all holders of red mission boxes, who do not have them emptied by a promoter, return them to Peter Mason, or leave in the sacristy. Thanks for your support.

JUSTICE & PEACE: Each time you spend money, you are making a vote for the future you want to see. At this Advent time, let us be especially mindful of the poor and the whole of creation. It is hard to do right, but we need to educate ourselves, and encourage one another. Let us become a 'Live Simply' parish in the New Year.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES: There are 2 more chances to attend a reconciliation service throughout our Parishes in Communion this Advent. **Tues 18th** at St Paul's and **Wed 19th** here at St Augustine's - all at 7.30pm.

WELCOME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS MASS An opportunity to invite absent friends to come and celebrate in readiness for Christmas at our Friday evening mass, 7.30 pm **Friday 21st Dec** - All Welcome.

NOT SO YOUNG CLUB Christmas Meal will now be on **Mon 7th Jan** at 1pm in the Hall.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2018 WITHIN OUR PARISHES IN COMMUNION

Family Christmas Vigil Masses on Monday 24th December:

3.30pm-Our Lady of Lourdes 6.00pm-St Paul's **6.00pm-St Augustine's**
Carols followed by "Midnight Mass": **9.00pm-St Augustine's** & 11.30pm-St Paul's
Mass of Christmas Day: 9.00am-St Lawrence 9.00am-Our Lady of Lourdes
10.30am - St Augustine's 11.00am-St Paul's