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Pope Leo XIV

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He was elected pope on 8 May 2025 and chose the name Leo XIV – the first ever United States citizen to become pontiff.

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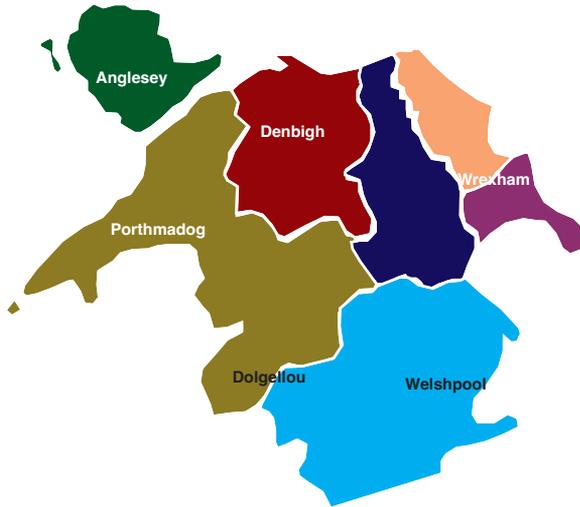
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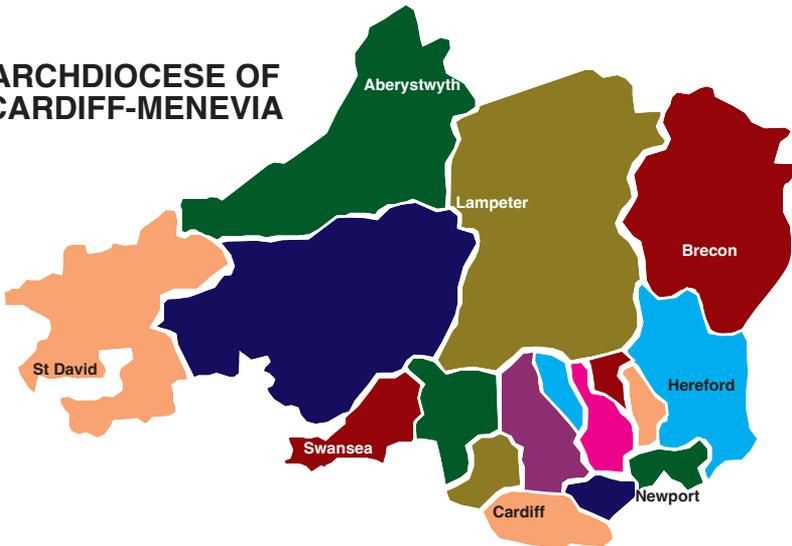
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A Brief History of the Welsh Province

The area covered by the Catholic Welsh Province today includes all of Wales and Herefordshire. Its Christian roots run deep, going back to the time of the Roman Empire. The martyrdom of Saints Alban, Julius, and Aaron in the third century marks the beginning of the story. Alban is believed to have died where St Albans now stands, while Julius and Aaron were probably martyred at Caerleon, just outside Newport.

Christianity spread steadily through Roman Britain until the legions withdrew in the early fifth century. While much of eastern Britain fell under Anglo-Saxon pagan rule, Wales stayed firmly Christian. This era produced many well-known saints including Illtyd, Dyfrig, David, and Teilo — names still seen in churches and place names today.

When Pope Gregory sent St Augustine in 597 to convert the Anglo-Saxons, he tried to bring the independent Welsh Church into line with Roman practices, especially the date for Easter. The Welsh resisted for over 150 years, until Bishop Elfodd finally persuaded his fellow countrymen in 768 to accept the Roman date.

After the Norman Conquest, the Welsh Church was reorganised. Four dioceses — St David's, Bangor, Llandaff, and St Asaph — were confirmed with bishops appointed by Norman rulers. Monasteries flourished, especially those founded by the Cistercians and later the mendicant orders such as the Franciscans and Dominicans.

The Reformation under Henry VIII changed everything. In 1536, the monasteries were dissolved and the Welsh dioceses became part of the new Church of England with the king at its head. For the next two centuries, Catholics faced heavy fines, loss of property, and even death for practising their faith. Some noble families, especially in Monmouthshire, sheltered priests and built hidden chapels to keep the Mass alive.

Relief came slowly, ending in Catholic Emancipation in 1829, which saw the lifting of most restrictions. From 1688, Wales and Herefordshire had formed part of the Western District, led by Vicars Apostolic appointed by Rome. In 1840 this became the Welsh District and in 1850 the Diocese of Newport and Menevia was created as a suffragan see of Westminster - its first bishop being was Bishop Thomas Joseph Brown OSB who took up residence at Belmont Abbey, which became an important centre for the diocese. In 1895 the Diocese of Newport was redefined to include Glamorgan, Monmouth and Hereford and in 1898 the Diocese of Menevia was established for the remaining territory.

In 1916 the Province of Cardiff was created with Cardiff as the Metropolitan Archdiocese and Menevia as its suffragan see. In 1987, recognising the distinct pastoral needs of North Wales, the Diocese of Menevia was divided once more to create the Diocese of Wrexham, headquartered at Wrexham Cathedral. Most recently, in September 2024, the Archdiocese of Cardiff and the Diocese of Menevia were united, creating the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia - continuing the deep-rooted Catholic story of Wales and Herefordshire today.

Vicars Apostolic - Western District

1688 - 1708	Philip Michael Ellis OSB
1715 – 1750	Matthew Prichard OFM
1750 - 1763	Lawrence York OSB
1763 - 1797	Charles Walmsley OSB
1797 - 1809	W G Sharrock OSB
1809 - 1829	Peter B Collingridge OFM
1829 - 1840	Peter Augustine Baines OSB

Bishops - Diocese of Newport and Menevia

1850 - 1880	Thomas Joseph Brown OSB
1880 - 1895	John Cuthbert Hedley OSB

Bishop - Diocese of Newport

1895 - 1916	John Cuthbert Hedley OSB
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Bishops - Diocese of Menevia

1898 - 1921	Francis Edward Joseph Mostyn
1921 - 1926	Vacant
1926 - 1935	Francis John Vaughan
1935 - 1940	Michael Joseph McGrath
1941 - 1946	Daniel Joseph Hannon
1947 - 1972	John Edward Petit
1972 - 1981	Langton Douglas Fox
1981 - 1983	John Aloysius Ward OFM
1983 - 1987	James Hannigan
1987 - 2001	Daniel Joseph Mullins
2001 - 2008	John Peter Mark Jabalé OSB
2008 - 2019	Thomas Matthew Burns SM
2019 - 2022	Vacant
2022 - 2024	Mark Anthony O'Toole

Archbishops - Archdiocese of Cardiff

1916 - 1920	James Romanus Bilsborrow OSB
1921 - 1939	Francis Edward Joseph Mostyn
1940 - 1961	Michael Joseph McGrath
1961 - 1983	John Aloysius Murphy
1983 - 2001	John Aloysius Ward OFM
2001 - 2010	Peter David Smith
2011 - 2022	George Stack
2022 - 2024	Mark Anthony O'Toole

Bishops - Diocese of Wrexham

1987 - 1994	James Hannigan
1994 - 2012	Edward Regan
2012 to date	Peter Malcolm Brignall

Archbishop - Archbishop of Cardiff-Menevia

2024 to date	Mark Anthony O'Toole
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Gweddï Dros Gymru

O Hollalluog Dduw a ddanfonodd, o'th anfeidrol ddaioni,
 dy unig-anedig Fab i ailagor porth y nef,
 ac i ddysgu inni dy adnabod, dy garu a'th wasanaethu.
 Trugarha wrth dy bobl sy'n byw yng Nghymru.
 Meithrin ynom y werthfawr ddawn ffydd,
 ac una hi yn yr un wir eglwys
 a sylfaenwyd gan dy ddwyfol Fab.
 Dyro inni'r gras i fod gyda'n gilydd yn dystion cywir i'th wirionedd,
 ac i fyw'n ffyddlon i'th gariad.
 Sancteiddia ni trwy sagrafennau dy Fab,
 a dwg ni i'th addoli mewn ysbryd a gwirionedd,
 fel y cawn dderbyn dedwyddwch tragwyddol
 gyda thi yn y byd a ddaw.
 Trwy'r un Iesu Grist em n Harglwydd.

Mair, gymorth Cristnogion, gweddïa dros Gymru.
 Dewi Sant, gweddïa dross Gymru.
 Y Santes Wenfrewi, gweddïa dros Gymru.
 Ho Seintiau Cymru, gweddïa dros Gymru.

Prayer for Wales

Almighty God, in your infinite goodness,
 you sent your only-begotten Son into this world
 to open once more the gates of heaven,
 and to teach us to know, love, and serve you.
 Have mercy on your people who dwell in Wales.
 Nourish in us the precious gift of faith,
 and unite us in the one true church,
 founded by your divine Son.
 Give us the grace to be loyal witnesses together to your truth,
 and to live faithful to your love.
 Sanctify us by your Son's sacraments,
 and bring us to worship you in spirit and in truth,
 so that we may come to have eternal happiness with you
 in the world to come.
 Through the same Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Mary, Help of Christians, pray for Wales.
 St David, pray for Wales.
 St Winefride, pray for Wales.
 All you Saints of Wales, pray for Wales.

Prayer for Herefordshire

Heavenly Father, in Christ your son you have shown your glory to the world.
 Guide the work of your church in Herefordshire.
 Helped by the prayers of Our Lady, and our martyrs and saints,
 may we proclaim your name, persevere in the faith,
 and bring salvation to those who do not know you.
 e ask this through Christ Our
 Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs, Pray for us
 St Ethelbert and Saint Thomas of Hereford, Pray for us
 St John Kemble and Martyrs of Herefordshire, Pray for us.

Our Lady of the Taper, Cardigan National Shrine of Wales

The origins of the shrine starts with the discovery of a statue of Madonna and child being found on the banks of the river Teifi, with the Madonna holding a burning taper in her hand. The statue was taken to the local parish church but kept reappearing at the place where it initially appeared until a new church was built on the spot in 1158. The original shrine was destroyed on the orders of Thomas Cromwell in 1538.

In 1952, Bishop Petit commissioned a new statue which was placed in the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows. Fourteen years later it was moved to the newly built church of Our Lady of the Taper. Unfortunately, the statue wore badly and in 1986, a new statue, recast in bronze, was installed. The Shrine of Our Lady of the Taper was designated as the Welsh National Shrine of Our Lady by Pope Saint John Paul II.



The shrine is open 9am – dusk every day. Individuals have free access (except during fixed hours of worship) to make their devotions. Special pilgrimages for groups from parishes, schools, or societies are welcome.

Welsh National Pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Taper Sunday 17th May 2026

Led by Rt. Rev. Peter Brignall, Bishop of Wrexham

Pilgrimage Programme:

- 1.30pm Confessions
- 2.30pm Rosary Procession
- 3.00pm Holy Mass
- 5.15pm Benediction & Blessing of the Sick

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Listed Churches

Churches are living buildings, existing to offer worship to God and serve the mission of the church. Their vital role is both for the present and the future, but like all things they have a history too. Having a place within the community, that heritage is recognised by the building being listed. Listed buildings are classified in grades to show their relative importance

Grade I	<i>Buildings of exceptional, usually national interest.</i>	
Caldey Island	SA70 7UH	St Illtyd, Old Priory Church
Grade II*	<i>Particularly important buildings of more than special interest.</i>	
Abergavenny	NP7 5UD	Our Lady and St Michael
Amlwch	LL68 9ED	Our Lady Star of the Sea & St Winefride
Caldey Island	SA70 7UH	Abbey Church of Our Lady & St Samson
Caldey Island	SA70 7UH	St David
Cardiff	CF24 3BA	St Peter
Hereford	HR2 9RZ	Abbey Church and Monsatery Buildings
Hereford	HR4 9AP	St Francis Xavier
Llanarth, Raglan	NP15 2YD	Ss Mary & Michael
Newbridge	NP11 4RB	Our Lady of Peace
Pantasaph	CH8 8PE	St David
Tremeirchion	LL17 OAS	St Beuno (Jesuit Spirituality Centre)
Grade II	<i>Buildings of special interest, which warrant every effort being made to preserve them.</i>	
Aberdare	CF44 7RF	St Joseph
Abergele	LL22 7NF	St Therese of Lisieux
Bala	LL23 7AE	Our Lady of Fatima
Barmouth	LL42 1PE	St Tudwal
Benllech	LL74 8SW	Our Lady of Lourdes
Bangor	LL57 1NS	Our Lady & St James
Brecon	LD3 9AB	St Michael
Caerleon	NP6 1AG	Ss Julius, Aaron & David
Caldey Island	SA70 7UH	Tower Chapel
Cardiff - City Centre	CF10 2SF	Metropolitan Cathedral Church of St David
Cardiff - Cathays	CF10 3UN	Nazareth House Chapel
Cardiff - Canton	CF11 9BX	St Mary of the Angels
Cardiff - Cathays	CF14 3BR	St Joseph
Cardiff - Splott	CF24 2NX	St Alban
Cardif - Ely	CF5 1JB	St Francis of Assisi
Cardiff - Rumney	CF3 3HE	Blessed Sacrament
Carmarthen	SA31 3DE	St Mary
Denbigh	L16 3NS	St Joseph
Dolgellau	LL40 1LR	Our Lady of Seven Sorrows
Dowlais	CF48 3BT	St Illtyd
Gellilydan	LL41 4ED	Holy Cross
Gorseinon,	SA4 4NX	Blessed Sacrament
Haverfordwest	SA61 1SX	Ss David & Patrick
Holywell	CH8 7PL	St Winefride

Lampeter	SA48 7BS	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
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Maesteg	CF34 9AY	Our Lady & St Patrick
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Porthmadog	LL49 9BB	Most Holy Redeemer
Port Talbot	SA12 6LE	St Joseph
Prestatyn	LL19 9NH	Ss Peter & Frances
Presteigne	LD8 2LD	Assumption of Our Lady & St Therese
Rhyddlan	LL18 2LY	St Illtyd
St David's	SA62 6BN	Chapel of Our Lady and St Non
Swansea - Greenhill	SA1 2BX	St Joseph's Cathedral
Swansea – City Centre	SA1 3NG	St David
Swansea - Sketty	SA2 0JJ	St Benedict
Tenby	SA70 7DT	Holyrood & St Teilo
Treforest	CF37 1DB	St Dyfrig
Tremeirchion	LL17 OAS	The Rock Chapel (Jesuit Spirituality Centre)
Usk	NP5 1RY	Ss David Lewis & Francis Xavier
Weobley	HR4 805	St. Thomas of Hereford
Wrexham	LL11 1RB	Cathedral of Our Lady of Sorrows

The listing of a church confers recognition of its special interest and unique character, but also brings responsibility; it is a criminal offence to alter, extend or demolish a listed building without consent. Works which affect the character of a listed building require Listed Building Consent. In the case of listed churches this consent, called a Faculty, is obtained from the Historic Churches Committee.

The Historic Churches Committee is established by the Bishops of the Province and its members are appointed by them. Members either have specialist knowledge of conservation matters or represent the interests of the Church. The committee operates to procedures developed under national planning laws. Parishes that include listed churches have received copies of the appropriate procedures and guidance on how to proceed.

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Sicrhau bod hanes cyfoethog y Ffydd Gatholig drwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg yng Nghymru yn cael ei gadw a'i gyhoeddi i'r cenedlaethau i ddod.

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Retreat and Conference Centres

BRECON Llanerchwen Retreat Centre
Llandefaelog Fach, Brecon LD3 9PP

Tel 07415 111 959

Email retreats@llanerchwen.org.uk

Website www.rscjuk.org/llannerchwen

Situated three miles north of Brecon against the backdrop of the Brecon Beacons and Black Mountains, Llanerchwen welcomes those who seek a period of reflection in silence and solitude. The centre offers individually guided and solitude retreats which can last a few days or longer.

HEREFORD Belmont Abbey
Ruckhall Lane, Hereford HR2 9RZ

Tel 01432 374 750

Email retreats@belmontabbey.org.uk

Website belmontabbey.org.uk

After three years of careful restoration the Chapterhouse offers 18 comfortable en-suite bedrooms, designed to provide a place of peace, prayer, and rest. The facilities provide an excellent base to host parish and church groups, spiritual retreats, and conferences.

HOLYWELL St Winefride's Guest House
20 New Rd, Holywell CH8 7LS

Tel 01352 712 925

Email avemariahall@bridgettinehollywell.org.uk

Website bridgettinehollywell.org.uk

Open to pilgrims and visitors seeking solace and spiritual enrichment. The guest house serves as a perfect space for quiet contemplation and prayer whilst the adjacent Bridgettine Convent has a thriving liturgical life, in which all are welcome to participate in daily Mass, the Divine Office, Holy Rosary and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

LLANDUDNO Loreto Centre
Abbey Rd, Llandudno LL30 2EL

Tel 01492 878 031

Email info@loretocentre.org.uk

Website loretocentre.org.uk

Nestled next to the Great Orme in Llandudno, the Loreto Spirituality Centre is available for groups who wish to conduct their own retreat programme, those requiring respite from ministry, and individuals who wish to participate in organised retreats or enjoy a quiet retreat alone.

OLD COLWYN St Augustine's Priory
Cliff Rd, Old Colwyn, Colwyn Bay LL29 9RW

Tel 01492 514 223

Email enquiries@houseofprayer.org.uk

Website houseofprayer.org.uk

St Augustine's Priory (The House of Prayer) welcomes groups and individuals from all faiths and none. The centre runs a programme of organised retreats but also welcomes those who are simply looking for a space that offers a break from the busyness of life, a time to rest and an opportunity to let go of the burdens of everyday life.

PANTASAPH Vincentian Divine Retreat Centre

Monastery Rd, Pantasaph, Holywell CH8 8PE

Tel 01352 711 053**Email** pantasaph@gmail.com**Website** divinepantasaph.org

The Centre offers a programme of residential retreats offering individuals and families spiritual renewal. Special retreats are also conducted in different languages including Malayalam, Tamil and Konmani

PENMAENMAWR Noddfa Spirituality Centre

Conwy Old Rd, Penmaenmawr LL34 6YF

Tel 01492 623 473**Email** noddfapen@aol.com**Website** noddfa.org.uk

Run by the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Mary, Noddfa (the Welsh word for refuge) runs individual guided retreats, spirituality courses and other events as well as offering a setting for groups to hold their own courses.

ST DAVID'S St Non's Retreat Centre

St David's, Haverfordwest SA62 6BN

Tel 01437 257 045**Email** info@stnon.co.uk**Website** stnon.co.uk

St Non's is a place of prayer, pilgrimage and contemplation, enjoying stunning views across St Non's Bay. The retreat houses 11 bedrooms (10 single and 1 double), an indoor chapel and Oratory where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved 24 hours a day, a library and large community room.

TENBY St Philomena's Retreat, Caldey Island**Email** stphilomenas@caldey-island.co.uk**Website** caldeyislandwales.com

St Philomena's is a retreat house for organised groups and individuals wishing to spend a few days of quiet and reflection, particularly those who would like to attend some of the monastic services and experience more fully the spiritual life of the island. The accommodation is full board and vegetarian.

TREMEIRCHION St Beuno**Tel** 01745 583 444**Email** info@beunos.com**Website** beunos.com

St Beuno's offers a year-round programme of individually guided and themed retreats and courses, with accommodation and full board. In addition, the centre can also offer retreats to groups or hire rooms to groups who wish to meet in St Beuno's for a day or for a residential event run by themselves.

WHITLAND Holy Cross Abbey

Velfrey Road, Whitland SA34 0QX

Tel 01994 240 725**Email** visithca@gmail.com**Website** hcawhitland.co.uk

To share in the life and the place, the abbey offers three flats for guests to stay up to a week, alongside offering basic facilities to visitors wishing to participate in a quiet day. Visitors are welcome to join the community's Masses, Eucharistic Services and Divine Office.

National and Diocesan Groups & Organisations

Aid to the Church in Need

Website acnuk.org
Tel 020 8642 8668

Aid to the Church in Need is a Pontifical Foundation of the Catholic Church, founded to help Christians in need where they are persecuted, oppressed or in pastoral need through support, charitable work and generating awareness.

APF Mill Hill Missionaries

Website millhillmissionaries.com
Contact Teresa Welsh
Email welshteresa@hotmail.com

An international fellowship of Catholic missionaries dedicated to announcing the Good News of Jesus Christ to people throughout the world. The organisation works with the APF in England Wales to fundraise through the famous red boxes that can be found in more than 200,000 homes.

CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration)

Website arisuk.com/cafe-ondemand
Email online@ccr.org.uk

CaFE courses help people of all ages learn, share and pray together in a relaxed, welcoming 'café' style atmosphere. They are an ideal follow-on to an Alpha course.

CAFOD Catholic Aid for Overseas Development

Website cafod.org.uk
Contact Colette Byrne (North Wales)
Email northwales@cafod.org.uk Tel 07779 804 242

Contact Therese Warwick (South Wales)
Email southwales@cafod.org.uk Tel 07823 445 112

The official aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales and part of Caritas International. The charity works with people, churches, schools and networks to pray, fundraise, volunteer and campaign in support of its mission and work.

Catenian Association

Website thecatenians.com
Email membership@thecatenians.com

The Catenians are an international fraternal network of Catholic laymen who exist to provide comradeship, friendship, mutual support and care for each other and their families. Local circles meet on a monthly basis and enjoy a varied programme of social events.

Catholic Archives Society

Website catholicarchivessociety.org

The Catholic Archives Society is a voluntary organisation that aims to promote the care of Roman Catholic archives through its work and publications. It offers support to its members through professional guidance, advisory leaflets, training events, research visits and other networking opportunities.

Catholic Association for Racial Justice (CARJ)Website carj.org.ukEmail info@carj.org.uk

CARJ works to support and empower people from diverse backgrounds and to give black and minority ethnic Catholics an effective voice in the Church and in the wider society.

From the beginning it was seen as an organisation where ethnic minorities could find support and a voice, and where people of all backgrounds could work together for racial justice.

Catholic Deaf AssociationWebsite catholicdeaf.org.uk

Contact Angela Davies SMS (Wrexham)

Email deaftraining@yahoo.co.uk

The Association provides access to information and empowers deaf people to share and participate fully in the life of the Church.

Catholic Union of Great BritainWebsite catholicunion.org.ukEmail info@catholicunion.org.uk

The Catholic Union of Great Britain is a member organisation of Catholic laity that works to represent Catholic interests in Parliament and public life. Working with the Bishops' Conferences and members of both Houses of Parliament it ensures its values and interests are presented to key decision makers who determine legislation and social policy.

Catholic Women's LeagueWebsite catholicwomensleaguocio.org.uk

Contact Peggy Hoare-Davies (Briton Ferry Section)

Email peg.hoaredavies@hotmail.co.uk

The Catholic Women's League is a national and international organisation which takes an active role within the Church by offering practical support, friendship and fundraising.

CHARIS - Catholic Charismatic Renewal International ServiceWebsite charisuk.com

Contact Anne Nolan (Cardiff-Menevia)

Email renewal@cardiffmenevia.org

Contact Stephen Halsall (Wrexham)

Email stehalsall@yahoo.co.uk

CHARIS was established at the request of Pope Francis to serve and create communion between the different realities existing in the Catholic Charismatic Renewal for the proclamation of the Gospel to the world. CHARIS in Wales organises conferences, retreats, healing services, days or evenings of renewals and supports parishes wishing to set up prayer groups.

Christian Life Communities

Website clcew.org.uk
 Email info@clcew.org.uk
 Contact Anne Sherrington (Wrexham)
 Llwyn Onn, High Street, Dyserth LL18 6AB

Christian Life Communities are small groups of people who meet regularly to help each other deepen their life of prayer and, in particular, integrating the spirituality of St Ignatius of Loyola into the prayer and action of their daily lives.

Co-Workers and Volunteers of St Teresa of Calcutta

Tel 01792 463 107
 235 - 236 The Strand, Swansea SA1 2AW

The Missionaries of Charity in Swansea joyfully welcome any person who would be interested in helping with the work of the sisters. Co-worker and volunteer meetings take place the last Wednesday of the month at 3pm.

English Catholic History Association

Website echa.org.uk
 Email englishcatholichistoryassociation@gmail.com
 Contact Major Tristan Griffin (Cardiff-Menevia)
 4 Cwmavon Road, Bleanavon NP4 9LD

The English Catholic History Association encourages interest in the Catholic history of England and Wales. It organises visits to places associated with the Catholic faith and arrange lectures on subjects relating to our Catholic history. It also supports research into subjects of Catholic interest and the preservation of Catholic archives.

**Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem
Lieutenancy of England and Wales**

Website eohsj.org.uk
 Contact Robin Graham-Brown
 Email midlandspresident@eohsj.org.uk Tel 01902 901 053

The Order was first established under Papal patronage in the twelfth century as a body of knights to defend the Church in the Holy Land. It was reconstituted in the nineteenth century to support through prayer, pilgrimage and charitable giving the Church and Christian people in the Holy Land and across the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem.

Faith and Light

Website faithandlight.org.uk
 Contact Lesley Kelleher (Cardiff)
 Email Lesley.lelleher@sky.com Tel 029 2115 6065
 Contact Rob Samuel (Swansea)
 Email sammy.samuel@ntlworld.com Tel 01792 415 223

Faith and Light is an international Christian organisation of people with a learning disability, their family and friends. It aims to put the person with the disability at the centre rather than at the margin of society. Groups meet regularly to pray, share and to celebrate together. Groups are multi-denominational and the organisation is ecumenical in outlook.

Friends of the Holy Land

Website friendsoftheholylan.org.uk

The Friends of the Holy Land is a non-political Christian charity that aims to secure a resilient and enduring Christian community in the West Bank, Gaza, Israel and Jordan. It provides practical help directly to the most needy and vulnerable of our Christian brothers and sisters through a balance of funding immediate relief of emergency needs and practical small projects to help create a sustainable future in the Holy Land.

Friends of the Venerable (The English College in Rome)

Website friendsofenglishcollegerome.org.uk

The Friends, founded in 1985, supports the students of the College with prayers, encouragement and financial help. From these students come our future priests.

Guild of Catholic Guiders

Contact Geraldine Dorman

Email gmdorman@hotmail.com Tel 029 2070 7402

The Guild aims to keep Catholic members of the Girl Guide movement in touch with each other; promote the Spiritual Welfare of Guiders and girls in their charge; instruct and train Guiders in the Catholic Religious Syllabus and to have a voice on the Catholic Guide Advisory Council

Guild of St Stephen

Website guildofststephen.org

Contact Canon Jason Jones (Cardiff-Menevia)

Email morriston@cardiffmenevia.org Tel 01792 771 053

Contact Rick Hodgiss (Cardiff-Menevia)

Email rickhodgkiss@guildofststephen.org Tel 07815 809 019

Contact Deacon David Ives (Wrexham)

Email doccaveives@aol.com Tel 01758 613 802

The Guild helps individual servers in their Christian formation by means of a deeper understanding and love of the Holy Eucharist. By providing altar servers with a greater understanding of what they are doing, it makes it possible for them to serve with increasing reverence and prayerfulness.

HCPT The Pilgrimage Trust

Website hcpt.org.uk

Contact Daniel Lewis

Email wales@hcpt.org.uk Tel 07773 555 801

The Trust offers annual pilgrimage holidays to Lourdes during Easter week for disabled and disadvantaged children. There are groups across Wales and Herefordshire that raise funds during the year to meet the children's costs.

Jesus Caritas Priests' Fraternity

Website jesuscaritaspriests.org.uk

Contact Fr Bob Rainbow (Wrexham)

Email ra-r@hotmail.co.uk Tel 01766 514 515

The Fraternity is a loosely connected worldwide group of priests inspired by the charism of Blessed Charles de Foucauld, who went into the Sahara a century ago to find Christ among the poorest of the poor.

Knights of St Columba

Website ksc.org.uk
 Contact Brother Eugene McCarthy - Past Provincial Grand Knight Cardiff-Menevia
 Email etmcc2638@gmail.com Tel 01656 658 675
 Contact Brother Denis Gaffney - Grand Knight (St Mary's Bridgend Council)
 Contact Brother William Callaghan - Grand Knight (Cardiff Council)
 Contact Brother J Gaffney - Grand Knight (Council Rhyl)
 Tel 01745 337 729
 Contact Brother J Norris - Grand Knight (Buckley and Wrexham)
 Tel 01244 543 514

The Knights of St Columba is an Order of Catholic Laymen dedicated to the service of the Church and fellow brothers and sisters. It is non-political and exists to support the mission of the Catholic Church and to achieve its aims through the fundamental virtues of charity, unity and fraternity.

Latin Mass Society

Website lms.org.uk
 Contact Tom Sharpling (Cardiff-Menevia)
 Email tom.sharpling@btinternet.com Tel 01239 710 411
 Contact Kevin Jones (Wrexham)
 Email lms.wrexham@outlook.com Tel 01244 674 011

The Latin Mass Society, was founded as an association of Catholic faithful dedicated to the traditional Latin liturgy of the Catholic Church, the teachings and practices integral to it, the musical tradition which serves it, and the Latin language in which it is celebrated.

Legion of Mary

Contact Dorothy Kagizi (Cardiff-Menevia)
 Tel 029 2140 5063
 Contact Cossette Jones (Cardiff-Menevia)
 Tel 07399 731 842
 Contact A M Carr (Wrexham)
 Email allthefirs2@supanet.com
 Tel 01352 759 505

A world-wide lay organisation of the Church devoted to furthering Christianity through devotion to the Mother of God, corporal works of mercy such as visiting the sick etc. and participation in and organisation of instruction in the Faith for children and adults and Rosary Crusades.

Lay Dominicans

Website laydominicans.org.uk
 Contact Michael McLoughlin (Cardiff-Menevia)
 Email michaelmcloughlin57@gmail.com Tel 07925 401 849
 Contact Ray Bayliss (North West inc North Wales)
 Email nwlaydominicans@gmail.com

The Lay Dominicans are part of the world-wide Dominican Order, also known as the Order of Preachers. They live a Christian life in the secular world, informed by Dominican spirituality which is founded on the four pillars of prayer, study, community and preaching.

Marriage Care

Website marriagecare.org.uk

Tel 0800 389 3801 (Bookings for marriage preparation or counselling)

Marriage Care supports couples to build and sustain strong, fulfilling, healthy relationships through marriage preparation, relationship education and couple counselling. Its services are delivered by highly trained and well supported volunteers assisted by a small team of paid staff.

Missio

Website mission.org.uk

Contact Canon Paul Watson (Director Cardiff-Menevia)

Email swansea@cardiffmenevia.org

Tel 01792 653 343

Contact Rev John Goggin (Director Wrexham)

Email priestmold@rcdwxm.org.uk

Tel 01352 752087

Missio is the official support organisation for the overseas mission of the Catholic Church. Missio is present where there is turmoil, poverty and uncertainty, where the Church is new, young or poor.

Mission Together

Website missiontogether.org.uk

Contact Veronica Chadd

Email veronicachadd65@gmail.com

Mission Together is the children's branch of Missio. Its aim is two-fold: to support life-giving children's projects in places of poverty and turmoil, and to support the mission of Catholic education through the creation of free classroom and worship resources for primary schools.

National Justice and Peace Network

Website Justice-and-peace.org.uk

Contact Angela Rigby

Email rigbyangela02@gmail.com Tel 029 2140 2045

Contact Aidan Reynolds

Email aidan.reynolds@btinternet.com

The Network seeks to encourage work for justice and peace by promoting communication and shared action between members, supporters and partners. It's key issues of concern are movement of people, the environment, peace and poverty and inequality.

National Network of Pastoral Musicians

Website nnpnm.org

Contact Frances Bibey (Cardiff)

Email frances.bibey@ntlworld.com

Contact Jennifer Burrige (Swansea)

Email jburrige@mac.com

Tel 01792 775 598

The NNPM is a network of people active in liturgy and music who wish to be in touch with others doing similar things, and to have useful information about courses, conferences, music days and other opportunities of interest to them.

Our Lady's Catechists

Website catechists.org.uk

Email secretaryolc@cwllhq.org.uk / jnwelsh6@googlemail.com

Our Lady's Catechists (a special committee of the Catholic Women's League) is an association of men and women that offers formal qualifications for parish catechists. Its members work both locally in parishes and further afield via distance learning.

Peace and Justice Centre, Wrexham

Tel 01978 367 734

35 Kingsmills Road, Wrexham LL13 8NH

A community project with the Sisters of La Sainte Union that includes the North Wales CAFOD resource centre and offers facilities for meetings.

Prison Advice & Care Trust (PACT)Website prisonadvice.org.uk

Tel 020 7735 9535

0808 808 3444 (confidential helpline)

Email helpline@prisonadvice.org

A national Catholic charity working in England and Wales to support prisoners, their families, and ex-offenders. It works in courts, prisons and in the community to support people to make a fresh start.

Rainbow Bereavement SupportWebsite rainbowsgb.org

Rainbows offers high quality training in the use of the charity's age-related peer support programmes that help foster emotional healing among grieving children, young people and adults. It also supports communities in reviewing or developing their own bereavement policy and procedures.

St Barnabas SocietyWebsite stbarnabassociety.org.uk

The society exists to provide pastoral and financial help to former clergy and religious of other Christian denominations and other world faiths, who are resident in Great Britain and Ireland.

Saint John of God Care Services

Tel 01325 373 700

The charity works with the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Mercy in Pantasaph, Flintshire.

Secular Franciscan Order (OFS)Website www.ofsgb.org

Contact Pamela Thornton (Wrexham)

5 Palmerston Avenue, Liverpool L18 8AJ

The Secular Franciscan Order is a vocation, a way of life approved by the Church for men and women, married or single, who are called to take an active part in the mission of Christ to bring "the good news of salvation" to the world. They live in the world, work for a living but follow the Franciscan spirit without taking vows.

Society of St GregoryWebsite ssg.org.uk

Contact Frances Bibey (Cardiff)

Email cardiff@ssg.org.uk

Tel 029 2065 3216

Contact Jennifer Burridge (Swansea)

Email jburridge@mac.com

Tel 01792 775598

A national society that works to assist priests and people to celebrate the liturgy worthily. It encourages study and active participation by organising study days, conferences and an annual Summer School for all concerned with music and worship.

Society of St Vincent de Paul

Website svp.org.uk

An anti-poverty charity, made up of a network of over 8,000 volunteer members, dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms by providing practical assistance to people in need.

• Retail Outlets

Contact Pam Ashworth - South Wales Area Manager

Barry	154 Holton Road CF63 4HL	Tel 07512 717 942
Cardiff	32 Abergele Road, Trowbridge CF3 1RR	Tel 01446 736 464
Cardiff	147 Crwys Road, CF24 4NH	Tel 029 2079 4544
Cardiff	147 Crwys Road, CF24 4NH	Tel 029 2185 1851
Colwyn Bay	Unit 5, Bayview Centre LL29 8DG	Tel 01492 535 500
Merthyr	Chestnut Way, Gurnos, CF47 9SB	Tel 07393 716 123
Newport	56 Commercial Street	Tel 01633 843 550
Pontypridd	15 Taff Street, Pontypridd CF37 4UA	Tel 01443 401 781
Rhyl	1A Abbey Street (Furniture)	Tel 01745 355 555

• Community Support Centre

St Vincent's, Ely Bridge, Mill Road, Cardiff CF5 4AH Tel 07500 170 764

Contact Nathan Harding - Manager

• Cardiff Central Council

Contact Monica Chidgey (President)

Email monicac@svp.org.uk

Contact Christine German (Secretary)

Email cge7618946@aol.com

Contact Suzie Rees (Membership Support Officer)

Email suzier@svp.org.uk

Tel 07549 124282

• Cardiff East District Council

Contact Peter Sullivan (President)

Email petersullivan46@btinternet.com

Cardiff East Conferences

St John Lloyd, St Peter's, St Teilo's/Our Lady of Lourdes, Christ the King/St Brigid's, St Joseph's, St Alban's and St David's Cathedral all in Cardiff

• Cardiff West District Council

Contact Christine German

Email cge7618946@aol.com

Cardiff West Conferences

St Mary of the Angels, St Patrick's, St Francis, Holy Family, Cardiff, St Helen's Barry, St Joseph/St Mary, Penarth/Dinas Powis

• Hereford District Council

Contact Audrey Fussell (President)

Email afussy@mail.com

Hereford Conferences

St Francis Xavier, Hereford, St Mary's, Monmouth

• Mid Glamorgan District Council

Contact Maria Browne

Email mariabrowne@btinternet.com

Mid Glamorgan Conferences

St Mary, Bridgend, Our Lady and St Patrick, Maesteg, Our Lady Star of the Sea, Porthcawl, Our Lady & St Illtyd and St Cadoc, Llantwit Major and Cowbridge, St Helen, Caerphilly

- **Newport & District Council**

Contact Monica Chidgey (President)

Email monica@svp.org.uk

Newport & District Conferences

St Mary's, Newport, St Patrick's, Newport, St David's, Newport, SS Julius Aaron & David, Caerleon, Our Lady and St David, Cwmbran, CSL Ebbw Vale, St Felix, Blaenavon and St Alban's Pontypool (amalgamated), St Mary, Abertillery and Brynmawr (amalgamated) - Our Lady of Peace, Newbridge, St Anthony & St Clare, Risca, Sacred Heart, Pontllanfraith (amalgamated), St Mary's Chepstow, Our Lady & St Michael, Abergavenny,

- **Menevia Central Council**

Contact Gustavo Vas Falcao (President)

Tel (01834) 861322

- **Wrexham Central Council**

Contact Susan Roberts (President)

Tel 07715 580 251 (preferably text messages)

Contact Katherine Spragg - Membership Support Officer

Tel 07557 562 715

Wrexham Central Conferences

Connah's Quay, Wrexham, Llay & Rossett, Mold and Holywell in the East, Colwyn Bay, Bro Menai in Bangor and Holyhead in the West

Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea)

Website stellamaris.org.uk

Email info@stellamarismail.org

Chaplain Peter Morgan (Cardiff, Newport, Port Talbot)

Email peter.morgan@stellamarismail.org

Tel 07595 453 063

Chaplain Fr Paul Osunyikanmi (Milford Haven & Pembroke Dock)

Email paul.osunyikanmi@stellamarismail.org

Tel 07738 761 155

90% of world trade is carried by ship; however, seafarers and fishers often work in dangerous conditions suffering loneliness, deprivation and even exploitation. Stella Maris deploys chaplains and ship visitors who welcome merchant seafarers and fishers to our shores and provide for their pastoral and practical needs – regardless of creed or nationality.

Survive-Miva

Website survive-miva.org

Email info@survive-miva.org

Tel 0151 523 3878

Survive-Miva is a charity that provides vehicle grants to support the Catholic Church's health outreach work and pastoral ministry in the developing world.

Third Order of Carmelites

Website carmelite.org

Contact John Fellows (Cardiff)

c/o St David's Cathedral, Charles Street, Cardiff CF10 2SF

The Third Order of Carmelites offers lay people and diocesan clergy the opportunity of deepening their relationship with Jesus Christ within one of the most ancient traditions of the church, dating back to at least the thirteenth century. The Cardiff Carmelite community meets after 10am Mass on the fourth Saturday of the month at St David's Metropolitan Cathedral, Cardiff.

Union of Catholic Mothers

Website theucm.org.uk
 Contact Margaret Cleveland – National Secretary
 Email mcleveland123@btinternet.com Tel 01792 872 048
 Contact Kath Attfield - Cardiff Secretary
 Email kath.attfield@talktalk.net Tel 01443 222 813
 Contact Anne Davies – Menevia Secretary Tel 01792 464 458

A national organisation open to all women who support our aims and objectives in 'prayer, love and active witness to marriage, family and Christian life in the world'

- **Cardiff-Menevia Parish Foundations**

All Hallows Llantrisant; Christ the King Cardiff; St Alban's Pontypool; St Cadoc's Cardiff; St Mary's Dinas Powis; St Mary's Merthyr; St Philip Evans, Cardiff; St Mary's Pembroke Dock; St Joseph's Cathedral Swansea; St Illtyd's, Gorseinon.

Walsingham Association

Website walsinghamassociation.org.uk
 Email enquiries@walsinghamassociation.org.uk Tel 01328 800 953

The Walsingham Association exists to spread devotion to Our Lady of Walsingham and to encourage pilgrimage to her shrine. The Association invites new members to join and has associated groups across the country and abroad.

Welsh National Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Website welshnationalpilgrimage.com
 Contact Frances Mainwaring
 Email welshnationalpilgrimage@gmail.com

The annual pilgrimage to Lourdes brings together a Our pilgrimage community comprised of many members; pilgrims, assisted pilgrims, a medical team, both youth and adult helpers and clergy, all of whom unite together in prayer and service of each other, in response to the call of Our Lady to St Bernadette.

World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF)

Website worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk
 Contact Canon Jason Jones
 Email morrison@cardiffmenevia.org Tel 01792 771 053

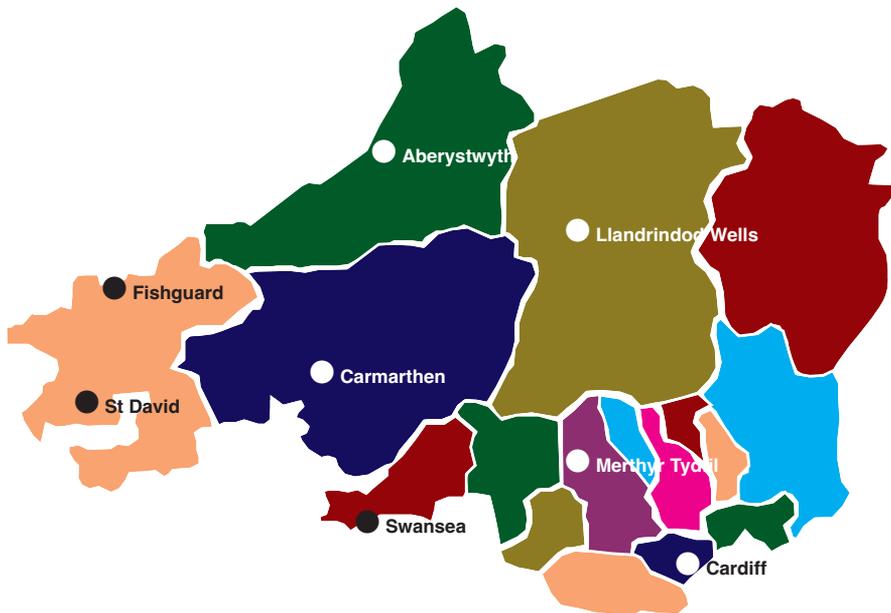
The Apostolate exists to promote Our Lady's call to live the Gospel more profoundly through prayer and penance offering up daily duties in a spirit of sacrifice, daily recitation of the Rosary and the First Five Saturdays Communion of Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Every July a weeklong National Pilgrimage to Fatima is organised.

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www.divinerenovation.org

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The Most Reverend Mark O'Toole

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Cardiff-Menevia Foreword

On 6th January 2026, Pope Leo XIV will formally end the Jubilee Year, which the universal Church celebrated last year as Pilgrims of Hope. Although the Jubilee will come to an end, hope does not come to an end. In the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia we have many reasons to be hopeful as we reflect on the previous year and look forward to the year ahead.

We begin with renewed formation for the laity using the robust materials offered by the Catechetical Institute of Franciscan University, Steubenville. Through intentional study, prayer, and practical training, parishioners are encouraged to deepen their understanding of the faith and to grow as confident, joyful disciples. This diocesan initiative seeks to strengthen parish life, enrich ministries, and inspire a spirit of evangelization. By equipping lay leaders to serve with clarity and conviction, the Diocese hopes to cultivate a vibrant missionary culture that reaches families, and the wider community throughout the year.

Emmaus Youth Mission is a recent development in the life of the Archdiocese. It seeks to engage with, and to accompany, the young people of southern Wales and Herefordshire in their lives of faith, and to offer them a living encounter with Jesus Christ. The name of the initiative is taken from the passage in Luke's Gospel on the road to Emmaus - an experience of Jesus where he seemed a stranger to the two friends, but where he longed to have a deeper, interior relationship with them. So, too, for our young people (and for us all) - we believe that Jesus is already on the road with us, walking alongside us; but we do not always have eyes to recognise him. The work of Emmaus in our Archdiocese is based on three key principles: something real, not digital, in a world saturated in digital communications; an experience of 'washing feet', learning the beauty of service; and a primary focus on Jesus and his call, which feeds very naturally into the question of vocation. What is it that Jesus dreams of for our young people? What is it that is in the heart of God for them? Please pray for the work of Emmaus Youth, as it seeks to lead our young people into these deeper and life-giving questions.

As we grow as a mission-oriented diocese, increased participation of the lay faithful, following the synodal method, is demonstrated through the Diocesan Pastoral Advisory Council, which is an important forum for clergy and laity to work together to serve our joint mission of evangelisation.

These foci on prayer, youth, and the formation of the laity, are complemented by the hope we have in presbyteral renewal and vocations to the priesthood. We know our need of one another. The lay faithful know they need dedicated and holy priests if they are to live out their call as the Lord's missionary disciples; priests know they need inspiring and generous lay people to live out their calling. Let us continue to pray for one another.

+Mark O'Toole
Archbishop of Cardiff-Menevia

Gathering together to Grow, to Learn, to Thrive

Throughout the year, the Archdiocese has created opportunities for people to come together learn, develop new skills and share each others experience.

Tireless Cultivators

In June, over 80 priests came together in Pontyclun for a Jubilee Gathering, marking a special chapter in the life of the newly united Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia. At the heart of the gathering was a spirit of pilgrimage, guided by the Jubilee prayer, "May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel ... may the grace of the jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven".



Priests come together for a Jubilee Gathering

Building Safe Communities

Three safeguarding training days in Carmarthen, Miskin and Belmont provided another opportunity for clergy to get together. Led by Sarah-Jane Bailey, the training focused on prevention and understanding of radicalisation; how to spot and respond to early warning signs that might otherwise go unnoticed. "Low level concerns are often where safeguarding really begins," she explained, "they're the moments that might seem small at first but noticing them early can prevent much greater harm later". The sessions also covered recruitment, DBS processes and the safe use of social media platforms as well as providing an opportunity for those attending to raise issues for which they would value further training.



Clergy Safeguarding Training



Sharing Experiences of Children's Liturgy

Sharing Experiences

Across the Archdiocese, scores of people contribute to the lives of their parish communities by offering their time and skills. In many churches, parishioners will see the children led away for their own special liturgy as part of Sunday Mass. In June, St David's Deanery (Cardiff) held a meeting – both for those involved in children's liturgy and people thinking of setting the practice in place in their parish. Whilst different approaches were discussed, there was a consensus that children's liturgy is an act of worship aimed at bringing children close to Jesus and that those involved are walking with children through their faith journey. It is planned to make this an annual event.

Very different in tone, but of equal value, was the Bereavement Training Day organised by the Archdiocese's Family Life Commission. From Aberystwyth to Chepstow, Port Talbot to Cwmbran, representatives from 10 parishes met to learn more about setting up bereavement support in their parishes. The training was delivered by Care for the Family. Their expertise and insight provided practical tools and guidance for creating compassionate and effective bereavement ministries.

It's not always necessary to bring people together in a room to learn – as the social media training programme this autumn demonstrated. Delivered via Zoom and 'attended' by participants from across the Archdiocese and beyond, it offered advice on how parishes can unlock the potential of digital platforms through content creation, visual storytelling and community management.

Building a Spirit-led Church

In 2025 representatives from across the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia met for the first gatherings of the new Diocesan and Deanery Pastoral Councils – an important step in shaping our shared mission and future direction.

Archbishop Mark opened the sessions by reflecting on what he has heard in recent listening meetings across our communities. His message was clear: the Church must be mission-first, people-centred, and guided by the Holy Spirit.

At the inaugural meeting in Miskin, the Archbishop was joined by Father Matt Roche-Saunders, Director of Priestly Vocations and Youth Mission, and David Evans, the Archdiocese's Chief Operating Officer, who together presented a comprehensive vision for the Archdiocese's future.



Pastoral Advisory Council

A major highlight was the openness shown around diocesan finances. David Evans' presentation in the first meeting gave representatives detailed insight into the diocese's financial position for the first time, revealing a healthy balance that reflects its mission-focused approach. One participant remarked, "It was good to hear that you start with mission, because mission is really about people – and people will improve the finances."

The October meeting then turned to prayer and formation. Dr Nora Killeen outlined plans for a new prayer foundation, encouraging every part of our mission to be rooted in daily prayer. The recent launch of Mother's Prayers has already sparked a strong response, with new groups forming across the Archdiocese.

Archbishop Mark described this work as a "spirit-led journey rooted in hope." The councils will continue to meet regularly, helping our parishes grow together in faith, prayer, and shared mission.

Youth and Schools

Emmaus Catholic Youth

A significant step forward for Youth ministry in the Archdiocese has been taken with the emergence this autumn of Emmaus Catholic Youth, led by Fr Matt Roche-Saunders, Director of Priestly Vocations and Youth Mission. The name is rooted in one of Scripture's most



CAFOD encourages our young to "Live Simply"

powerful encounters – the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35), ending with Christ revealing Himself in the breaking of bread. This transformative moment captures what Emmaus Catholic Youth desires for every young person: to know Jesus as the one who walks with them on their life's journey.

The initiative launched with an Emmaus Discover Youth Retreat, a day long event for 13 – 17 year olds in November and an Emmaus Encounter Retreat, aimed at those aged 18 – 35 years is planned for 2026.

Living Simply

For many, our faith journey begins at school, and the influence of those early years can be profound. Two Catholic primary schools in the Archdiocese were honoured with CAFOD LiveSimply Awards, presented in recognition of their outstanding commitment to living simply, sustainably and in solidarity with those in need.

Christ the King Primary School in Cardiff and St Robert's Primary School in Aberkenfig undertook a range of faith-filled activities - community projects, fundraising and environmental initiatives - that encouraged pupils to take responsibility for the world around them.

Fanning the Flame of Love and Hope

In March, 150 young people from the diocese travelled up to London to attend Flame, the largest Catholic youth gathering in England and Wales where they heard from a range of speakers including Bear Grylls, who undoubtedly left a mark. Youth Leader, Diana said, "Thanks to all the inspiring speakers, we felt truly motivated to be unstoppable when it comes to fanning the flame of love and hope. Faith is alive in our youth – let's do our part to keep the flame lit and the hope alive."

Faith, Endurance and Friendship

The school summer holidays saw 36 sixth form students and staff from St Joseph's Catholic School and Sixth Form College, Port Talbot cycle some 500 miles along the Camino de Santiago, starting in St Jean Pied de Port in France and finishing at the Cathedral of St James in Santiago de Compostela. As Assistant Headteacher James Torrance, who took part in the challenge, commented, "the Camino challenges us physically, but more importantly it deepens our sense of community, purpose and prayer. It's not just about reaching Santiago; it's about who we become along the way".



Taking on the Camino Way



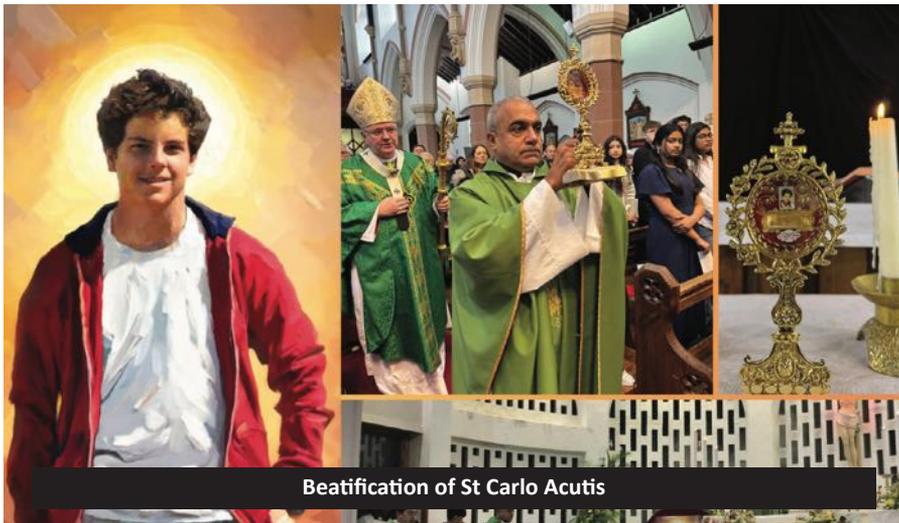
Pilgrims Sharing Together

Also making faith connections and deepening friendships were the 33 young adults from the diocese who joined over a million youth pilgrims in Rome during the Jubilee of Hope Youth Pilgrimage this summer. In addition to visiting a number of sights across the city and making a trip to Assisi, the group celebrated Mass daily.

Pilgrim Liz Mills reflected, “Central to each day was the opportunity to turn to fellow pilgrims to share what our daily prayer life looks like; what we were seeking from this pilgrimage; the intentions we brought with us; what our discernment journeys look like. Making faith connections with other young people – many of whom are already great friends – deepened both our existing friendships and our shared faith journey.”

Shared Faith and Quiet Reflection

During the year the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia hosted two significant devotional events that brought parish communities together in prayer and reflection.



Beatification of St Carlo Acutis

In February, the Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis toured South Wales and Herefordshire, brought from Assisi by Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo. The relic visited Cardiff, Belmont Abbey, Swansea and Merthyr, and over four days people gathered to venerate it and learn more about the young Italian soon to be canonised. His example of faith, simplicity and service, especially towards the poor, resonated strongly with many who attended.

Archbishop Mark and other clergy reflected on Carlo's deep love for the Eucharist - his "highway to heaven" - and how his life continues to inspire young people to live their faith with purpose. The visit concluded at Blessed Carlo Acutis Catholic School, Merthyr, where a First-Class Relic was presented to the school.

This summer, the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Taper in Cardigan hosted the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and the relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco on 2–3 August 2025. The visit marked the Centenary of the Five First Saturdays devotion, with Masses, veneration, talks and opportunities for prayer.

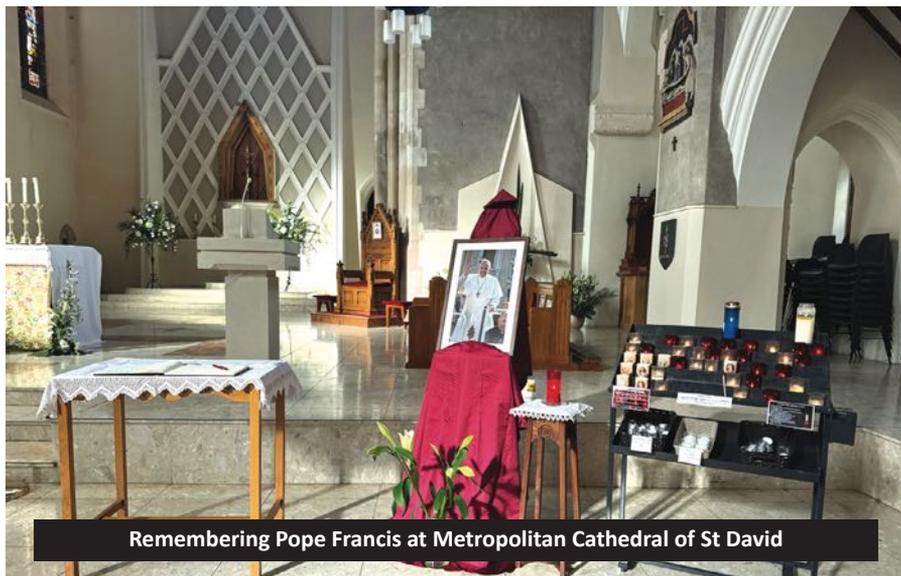
Both occasions highlight the continuing importance of devotion and community within the Archdiocese, offering moments of shared faith and quiet reflection.

Mercy, Humility and Service

The Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia came together in April to pray and reflect following the death of His Holiness Pope Francis. On 23rd April, the Metropolitan Cathedral of St David in Cardiff was filled with clergy, parishioners and visitors from across the Archdiocese for the Mass of the Resurrection. Archbishop Mark reflected on Pope Francis' life of mercy, humility and service, recalling his final blessing on Easter Sunday and a papacy shaped by care for the poor, the marginalised, and the Church worldwide.

"God will walk with us always, even in the most painful moments," Archbishop Mark said, echoing the Pope's own words and inviting the faithful to trust in God's enduring love. Similar services were held in parishes across the Archdiocese, allowing communities to come together in prayer and remembrance.

The Cathedral hosted Sung Vespers on 24th April, attended by civic, interfaith and ecumenical representatives. Archbishop Mark, who then travelled to Rome for Pope Francis' funeral on 26th April, was joined by a group of young pilgrims from the Archdiocese. Although the canonisation of St Carlo Acutis which they had been planning to



Remembering Pope Francis at Metropolitan Cathedral of St David

celebrate had been postponed, they continued with their pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi, visiting historic churches and sites connected to the life of the saint and getting the chance to walk through the Holy Doors, opened for the Jubilee.

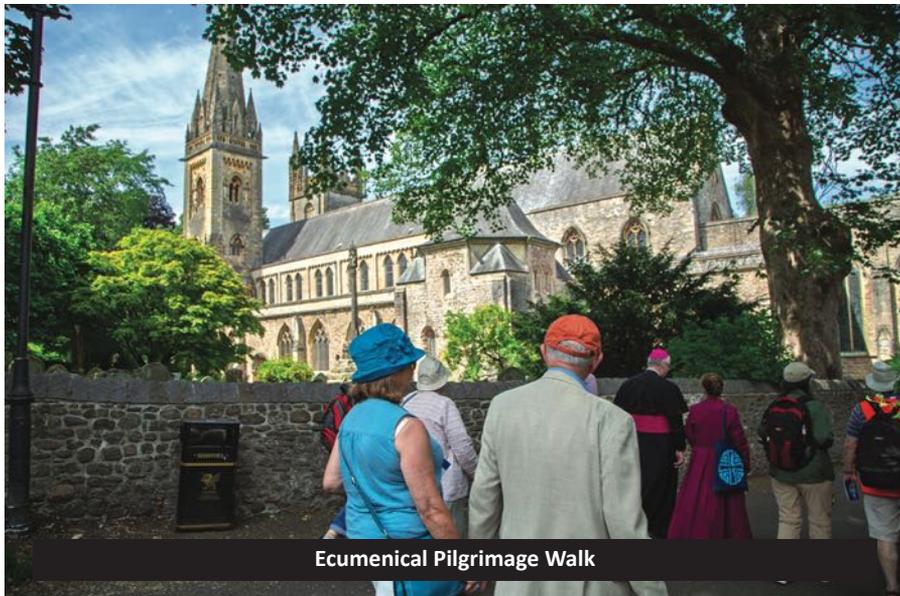
With the election of Pope Leo as the 267th pope, the Archdiocese now looks forward in hope, praying for his guidance and the continued mission of the Church.

Side by Side in Faith

Archbishop Mark led two significant ecumenical and interfaith events in 2025, demonstrating the Archdiocese's commitment to unity and dialogue across faith traditions.

In a Sung Vespers service at the Metropolitan Cathedral of St David, the Archbishop commemorated Pope Francis, joined by ecumenical and interfaith representatives, civic dignitaries, consular corps members, and religious from across the Archdiocese.

Reflecting on the Pope's life, Archbishop Mark quoted Francis' own words: "I am a saved sinner; a sinner who has been looked upon in love." He shared a personal encounter from 2022 when the Pope asked him to pray for him. "I said in Italian, 'a Galles – from Wales' and with a bright twinkle in his eye, tapping me on the arm, he said, 'Ah, that's good – thank you, thank you!'"



Ecumenical Pilgrimage Walk

The annual Ecumenical and Interreligious Pilgrimage in July brought together the Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia, the Church in Wales Diocese of Llandaff, and the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. Beginning at St Padarn's Institute with reflections on pilgrimage and baptism from Archbishop Mark and Bishop Mary, participants walked through Bute Park and past Llandaff Cathedral, pausing at the well of Saint Teilo for prayers.

At St David's Cathedral, Archbishop Mark led a service of reaffirmation of baptism, drawing on an unexpected encounter with security removing railings for a Slayer concert. He placed the pilgrimage symbolically "between Slayer and Oasis" – turning away from evil towards the refreshment of Christian faith. Light refreshments followed at Cornerstone, concluding a day that celebrated unity across denominational boundaries.

A New Chapter for St Illtyd's Church

A celebration of thanksgiving took place at St Illtyd's Church and Community Centre on 19th July, marking the completion of a £950,000 restoration project attended by the local community, congregation, civic dignitaries and funders.

Water had been pouring into the Grade II listed building, threatening its structure. Thanks to community effort and generous funding, the project successfully re-roofed the church and introduced energy-saving improvements, including solar panels and new energy-efficient lighting.



St Illtyd, Dowlais Restoration Project

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Archbishop Mark spoke of the rich heritage of St Illtyd's, built by Irish migrants who fled the Great Famine of the 1840s. For over 185 years, the church has stood as a beacon of hope in Dowlais, growing into a vibrant centre for a diverse, multi-ethnic and multi-national community.

The restoration revitalised the church gardens to encourage wildlife, creating a welcoming space for reflection, with support from Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council's Biodiversity Team and Keep Wales Tidy. Archbishop Mark paid tribute to volunteers including Canon Barry English, Deacon Garth and Gail Tasker, as well as Owen Collins and Zoe Oldman from the Archdiocese. He also presented an award to Kaya Gadja, winner of the recent photography competition, with work from all young photographers displayed in the Community Centre.

The celebration concluded with a barbecue in the July sunshine, marking the beginning of an exciting new chapter for this historic place of worship.

Joy at St Alban on the Moors

The Solemnity of the Sacred Heart was an occasion of great joy for the Cardiff Oratory and the Parish of St Alban's, Splott. The ordination to the Sacred Priesthood of Fr Illtyd M Williams was celebrated by Archbishop O'Toole. Fr Illtyd, a native of Cwmbran, is the first priest to be ordained from the Cardiff Oratorian community.

Oratorian Fathers and Brothers from across the UK and Canada were joined by the Vicar General, Canon Brian Gray, the Rector of St Philip's Seminary in Canada, and around 30 priests and brothers in the sanctuary.

The Archbishop, who celebrated the Mass, said the priestly ordination was "a cause of great joy for the Archdiocese, the Oratorian world-wide Federation, the Cardiff Oratory, and the Parish."



Ordination of Fr Illtyd Williams

It was the first ordination in St Alban's Church in over 50 years. Parishioners turned out in great numbers and, afterwards, filled the parish hall and a specially erected marquee for the reception hosted by the Oratory.

The next day, Fr Illtyd celebrated his first Mass. Afterwards, parishioners organised an international "bring and share" supper, which was also very well attended. Both evenings enjoyed fine weather, and the celebrations went on late into the night.

Fr Illtyd M. now serves as assistant priest at St Alban's Parish, as well as chaplain and foundation governor of St Alban's Catholic Primary School.

Cause for Hope

Catholic dioceses across England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland reported a sizeable increase in the number of adults joining the Church at Easter 2025. Archbishop Mark celebrated the Rite of Election at the Metropolitan Cathedral Church of St David in Cardiff and the Cathedral Church of St Joseph in Swansea with those to be received into the Church.



Rite of Election

75 catechumens and candidates attended in Cardiff, representing a 100% increase on the previous year, with their sponsors, friends and family. In Swansea there were 25, also an increase on the previous year.

In his homily, Archbishop Mark welcomed those preparing for baptism and full communion with the Catholic Church, reminding them that their journey is a response to God’s call. Drawing on Pope Francis’ reflection on his own faith, the Archbishop emphasised that when we seek God, we discover He has already been waiting for us. “Your name is already inscribed in His heart,” he assured them.

Reflecting on Jesus’ temptation in the wilderness, Archbishop Mark posed a Lenten question to all: “Who do I put first – God or myself?” He thanked the catechumens and candidates for making the decision to put God first as they seek to discover Him more deeply within the family of the Catholic Church, assuring them of the community’s prayer and support.

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 St Joseph 029 2041 1819
 St Mary of the Angels 029 2023 0492
 St Patrick 029 2025 3514
 St Peter 029 2048 3394
 St Philip Evans 029 2073 1061
 St Teilo with Our Lady of Lourdes 029 2062 3444
 University Chaplaincy 029 2022 8738

Carmarthen 01267 237 205

Chepstow 01291 622 649

Clydach 01792 842 244

Cwmavon – served from St Joseph, Port Talbot 01639 882 846

Cwmbran	01633 482 346
Dinas Powis - served from Penarth	029 2070 8247
Dowlais - served from St Mary, Merthyr Tydfil	01685 723 336
Ebbw Vale served from Tredegar	01495 717 162
Fishguard	01348 873 865
Glynneath – served from Neath	01639 643 323
Gorseinon	01792 892 722
Haverfordwest	01437 762 284
Hay on Wye – served from Brecon	01874 622 046
Hereford	
Belmont Abbey	01432 374 718
Our Lady Queen of Martyrs	01432 265 177
St Francis Xavier	01432 273 485
Hirwaun – Served from Mountain Ash	01443 476 973
Kidwelly – served from Burry Port	01554 832 520
Knighton - served from Llandrindod Wells	01597 822 353
Lampeter	01970 617 159
Ledbury	01531 635 354
Leominster	01568 612 238
Llanarth – served from Abergavenny	01873 851 051
Llandeilo - served from Ammanford	01269 267 382
Llandovery - served from Ammanford	01269 267 382
Llandrindod Wells	01597 822 353
Llanelli	01554 774 070
Llantwit Major	01446 792 381
Maesteg	01656 733 282
Merthyr Tydfil	
St Mary	01685 723 336
St Aloysius – served from St Mary	01685 723 336
Merthyr Vale served from St Mary	01685 723 336
Milford Haven	01646 693 371
Miskin	01443 228 866
Monmouth	01600 712 029
Mountain Ash	01443 476 973
Narberth – served from Haverfordwest	01437 762 284
Neath	01639 643 323
Newbridge	01495 243 304
Newcastle Emlyn – served from Cardigan	01239 612 615
Newport	
All Saints	01633 265 533/01633 213 890
St Anne - served from St Mary	01633 265 533/01633 213 890
St Basil & St Gwladys	07720 272 137
St David	07799 286 727

St David Lewis - <i>served from St Mary</i>	01633 265 533/01633 213 890
St Julius the Martyr - <i>served from St Mary</i>	01633 265 533/01633 213 890
St Mary	01633 265 533/01633 213 890
St Michael - <i>served from St Mary</i>	01633 265 533/01633 213 890
St Patrick	01633 672 334
Pembroke – <i>served from Milford Haven</i>	01646 693 371
Pembroke Dock – <i>served from Milford Haven</i>	01646 693 371
Penarth	029 2070 8247
Pontarddulais – <i>served from Gorseinon</i>	01792 892 722
Pontllanfraith – <i>served from Newbridge</i>	01495 243 304
Pontnewydd – <i>served from Cwmbran</i>	01633 482 346
Pontyberem – <i>served from Burry Port</i>	01554 832 520
Pontypool	01495 762 280
Port Talbot	
Margam	01639 883 323
St Joseph	01639 882 846
St Therese of Lisieux	01639 884791/07514 337749
Porthcawl – <i>served from Bridgend</i>	01656 652 034
Presteigne - <i>served from Llandrindod Wells</i>	01597 822 353
Rhayader - <i>served from Llandrindod Wells</i>	01597 822 353
Rhymney - <i>served from Tredegar</i>	01495 717 162
Risca – <i>served from Newbridge</i>	01495 243 304
Ross-on-Wye – <i>served from Monmouth</i>	01685 723 336
St Davids – <i>served from Fishguard</i>	01348 873 865
Saundersfoot – <i>served from Tenby</i>	01834 842 692
Swansea	
Cathedral	01792 652 683
Holy Cross	01792 586 454
Our Lady of Lourdes	01792 655 336
Our Lady Star of the Sea	01792 367 283
Sacred Heart	01792 771 053
St Benedict – <i>served from St Joachim & St Anne</i>	01792 201 046
St David	01792 653 343
St Illtyd <i>served from St David</i>	01792 653 343
St Joachim & St Anne	01792 201 046
St Peter – <i>served from Holy Cross</i>	01792 586 454
Tenby	01834 842 692
Tonypandy	01443 421 929
Tredegar	01495 717 162
Treforest – <i>served from Miskin</i>	01443 228 866
Usk <i>served from Pontypool</i>	01495 762 280
Weobley	01432 374 721
Ynyshtir – <i>served from Miskin</i>	01443 421 929
Ystradgynlais – <i>served from Clydach</i>	01792 842 244

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CARDIFF

Metropolitan Cathedral Church of St David
Charles Street, Cardiff CF10 2SF



Tel 029 2023 1407
Email stdavidscathedral@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Michael Doyle
Website cardiffcathedral.org.uk
Correspondence Address Clergy House, Charles Street, Cardiff CF10 2SF
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm; 11am, 5.30pm
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 6pm; 12.30pm, 6pm on the day
Sacrament of Reconciliation Tue & Thu 12noon - 12.25pm;
Sat 10.30am - 12noon & 4.30pm - 5.15pm
Deanery St David

SWANSEA

Co-Cathedral Church of St Joseph
Convent Street, Greenhill, Swansea SA1 2BX



Tel 01792 652 683
Email stjosephscathedral@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Canon Benedict Koledoye
Parish Sister Sr Nora Mary Ryan
Website meneviacathedral.org
Correspondence Address Clergy House, Convent Street, Swansea SA1 2BX
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm; 8am, 10am
Holy Day Mass 9.15am, 6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Sat 5.30pm Mass and on request
Deanery St John Lloyd

ABERAERON

Holy Cross
Victoria Street, Aberaeron SA46 0DA
Served from Aberystwyth - Welsh Martyrs
 A church of the parish of Aberystwyth and Aberaeron



Tel 01970 617 159
Email aberystwyth@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Very Rev Liam Bradley, Rev Malachy Orjiebele
Website parishofaberystwyth.org.uk
Correspondence Address Brynhyfryd, Piercefield Lane, Penparcau
Aberystwyth SY23 1RX
Sunday Mass 9am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Friday 9am - 10am
Deanery Our Lady of the Taper

ABERCYNON**St Thomas**

The Basin, Abercynon CF45 4RR



Tel	01443 740 353
Email	abercynon@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev John Phillips (<i>semi-retired in residence</i>)
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Cardiff Road, Abercynon CF45 4RR
Sunday Mass	10am
Holy Day Mass	10am
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sunday before Mass and on request
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

ABERDARE**St Joseph**

Monk Street, Aberdare CF44 7RF

Served from Mountain Ash - Our Lady of Lourdes

A church of the parish of Mary Immaculate – Aberdare, Hirwaun and Mountain Ash



Tel	01443 476 973
Email	cynonvalley@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Robert James
Website	parishmaryimmaculate.org.uk
Correspondence Address	Our Lady's Presbytery, Miskin Road, Mountain Ash CF45 3UA
Sunday Mass	11am
Holy Day Mass	11am (2pm Term Time)
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sunday 10.30am - 10.50am
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

ABERGAVENTNY**Our Lady and St Michael**

Pen-y-Pound, Abergavenny NP7 5UD



Tel	01873 851 051
Email	abergavenny@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Matthew Carney OSB
Deacon	Rev Andreas Erhardt
Website	olsm.abergavenny.co.uk
Correspondence Address	10 Pen-y-Pound, Abergavenny NP7 5UD
Sunday Mass	8am, 10am, 6pm
Holy Day Mass	10am, 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 10.45am
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

ABERKENFIG**St Robert of Newminster**

Bridgend Road, Aberkenfig CF32 9SP

Served from Maesteg - Our Lady and St Patrick

Tel	01656 733 282
Email	aberkenfig@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Paul Joseph
Website	maestegcatholicchurch.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Monica Street, Maesteg CF34 9AY
Sunday Mass	9am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	On request
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

ABERTILLERY**St Mary**

Hill Street, Abertillery NP13 1AN

A church of the parish of Abertillery and Brynmawr



Tel	01495 212 339
Email	abertillery@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Liam Hennessy
Correspondence Address	2 Queen Street, Abertillery NP13 1AN
Sunday Mass	9.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

ABERYSTWYTH**Welsh Martyrs**

Cae Dan Yr Haidd, Penparcau, Aberystwyth SY23 1ST

A church of the parish of Aberystwyth and Aberaeron



Tel	01970 617 159
Email	aberystwyth@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Very Rev Liam Bradley, Rev Malachy Orjiebele
Website	parishofaberystwyth.org.uk
Correspondence Address	Brynhyfryd, Piercefield Lane, Penparcau, Aberystwyth SY23 1RX
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 8.30am 10.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Fri 5pm - 5.45pm; Sat 9.30am - 10.30am
Chaplaincy Mass	Thurs 7pm at Aberystwyth Arts Centre Faith Space (term time only) preceded by Sacrament of Reconciliation
Holy Qubara	3pm, 3rd Sunday of the month
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

AMMANFORD**Our Lady of the Rosary**

35 Margaret Street, Ammanford SA18 2NP



Tel	01269 267 382
Email	ammanford@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Donatus Chukwuodo
Correspondence Address	35 Margaret Street, Ammanford SA18 2NP
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 9.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5.30pm - 5.55pm
Deanery	St Teilo

BARGOED**St Peter**

Usk Road, Bargoed CF81 8RH

Served from Caerphilly - St Helen

Tel	029 2088 3192
Email	caerphilly@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Canon John Kelly
Website	sthelenscaerphilly.com
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Nangarw Road, Caerphilly CF83 3FB
Sunday Mass	11.45am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Before Mass and on request
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

BARRY**St Helen**

Wyndham Street, Barry CF63 4EL



Tel	01446 735 051
Email	barry@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Peter J Okafor, Rev Valentine Mobuogwu
Website	sthelensrcchurch.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Court Road, Barry CF63 4ET
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6.30pm; Sun 8.30am 10.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	St David

BLAENAVON**The Sacred Heart and St Felix**

Ellick Street, Blaenavon NP4 9HR

Served from Pontypool - St Alban

A church of the parish of Pontypool and Blaenavon



Tel	01495 762 280
Email	pontypool@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Canon Paul Millar
Website	pontypoolparish.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Priest's House, Conway Road, Pontypool NP4 6HL
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 4.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	On request
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

BRECON**St Michael the Archangel**

11 St Michael's Street, Brecon LD3 9AB



Tel	01874 622 046/07922 042 749
Email	brecon@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Jimmy Sebastian Pulickakunnel MCBS
Website	stmichaelsrcbrecon.org.uk
Correspondence Address	St Michael's Rectory, 11 St Michael's Street, Brecon LD3 9AB
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 11am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Fri 9.35am - 9.55am and on request
Deanery	St Teilo

BRIDGEND**St Mary**

Ewenny Road, Bridgend CF31 3HS



Tel	01656 652 034
Email	bridgend@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Timothy McGrath, Rev Dale Cutlan
Deacons	Rev Philip Manghan
Website	catholicchurchbridgend.org.uk
Correspondence Address	St Mary's Presbytery, 39 Ewenny Road, Bridgend CF31 3HS
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 11am, 6pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

BRITON FERRY**Our Lady of the Assumption**

Neath Road, Briton Ferry SA11 2YR



Tel	01639 820 949
Email	britonferry@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Krzysztof Kucharski
Correspondence Address	Our Lady's Presbytery, Neath Road, Briton Ferry SA11 2YR
Sunday Mass	9am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	St Teilo

BROMYARD**St Joseph**

23 Old Road, Bromyard HR7 4BQ

Served from Leominster - St Ethelbert

Tel	01568 612 238/07810 006 998
Email	leominster@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Paul Stonham OSB
Website	brominster.uk
Correspondence Address	86 Bargates, Leominster HR6 8QS
Sunday Mass	11am
Holy Day Mass	Vigil Mass 5pm; 12noon on the day
Sacrament of Reconciliation	10.30am (1st & 3rd Sat of month) and before and after all Masses
Deanery	St John Kemble

BRYNMAWR**St Mary**

Catholic Road, Brynmawr NP23 4EG

Served from Abertillery - St Mary

A church of the parish of Abertillery and Brynmawr



Tel	01495 212 339
Email	abertillery@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Liam Hennessy
Correspondence Address	2 Queen Street, Abertillery NP13 1AN
Sunday Mass	11am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

BUILTH WELLS**Christ the King**

Garth Road, Builth Wells LD2 3AS

Served from Llandrindod Wells

A church of the parish of Llandrindod Wells and Builth Wells



Tel	01597 822 353
Email	llandrindodwells@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Gerald Isiguzo OP, Rev Richard Ogedengbe OP
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Ithon Road, Llandrindod Wells LD1 6AP
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 4pm
Holy Day Mass	10am
Sacrament of Reconciliation	On request
Deanery	St Teilo

BURRY PORT**Our Lady Star of the Sea**

55 Pencoed Road, Burry Port SA16 0PN

A church of the parish of Burry Port and Kidwelly



Tel	01554 832 520
Email	burryport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Lawrence Obotamah
Website	burryportandkidwellicatholic.co.uk
Correspondence Address	55 Pencoed Road, Burry Port SA16 0PN
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Before Mass
Deanery	St Teilo

CAERLEON**Ss Julius, Aaron and David**

High Street, Caerleon NP18 1AG

Served from Newport - St Mary

A church of the parish of All Saints, Newport

Tel	01633 265 533 / 01633 213 890
Email	newport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Stephen Ogbe OP, Rev Richard Odok OP, Rev Anthony Hamidu OP
Deacon	Rev Pasquale Cinotti
Parish Sister	Sr Collette Bamber
Website	allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Correspondence Address	9 Stow Hill, Newport NP20 1TP
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	30mins before Mass
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

CAERPHILLY**St Helen**

Nantgarw Road, Caerphilly CF83 3FB



Tel	029 2088 3192
Email	caerphilly@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Canon John Kelly
Website	sthelenscaerphilly.com
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Nangarw Road, Caerphilly CF83 3FB
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm; Sun 10am
Holy Day Mass	10am (term time only) 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	After Saturday evening Mass and on request
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

CALDEY ISLAND**Abbey of our Lady and St Samson**

Caldey Island, off Tenby SA70 7UH



Tel	01834 842 632
Email	janrossey@gmail.com
Priest	Abbot Jan Rossey OCSO
Website	caldeyislandwales.com
Correspondence Address	Caldey Island, off Tenby SA70 7UH
Sunday Mass	10.45am
Holy Day Mass	7.15am (Summer)
Sacrament of Reconciliation	On request
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

CALDICOT**St Paul**

Longcroft Road, Caldicot NP26 4EX

*Served from Chepstow - St Mary**A church of the parish of Chepstow, Caldicot and Magor*

Tel	01291 622 649
Email	chepstow@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Richard Ayivi Aziati
Deacon	Rev Richard Edwards
Website	stmarysrcchepstow.org.uk
Correspondence Address	St Mary's Presbytery, Bulwark Road, Chepstow NP16 5JE
Sunday Mass	9am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

CARDIFF - Canton
St Mary of the Angels
 King's Road, Canton, Cardiff CF11 9BX



Tel 029 2023 0492
Email canton@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Rev Solomon Ugwummadu,
Deacon Rev Maurice Scanlon
Website cardiffwestcatholics.org.uk
Correspondence Address The Priory, 67 Talbot Street, Cardiff CF11 9BX
Sunday Mass 11am, 6pm
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 11am - 12noon
Deanery St David

CARDIFF - Cathays
St Joseph
 New Zealand Road, Cathays, Cardiff CF14 3BR



Tel 029 2063 1344
Email cathays@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Rev Jose Kuttikkatt IC, Rev Philip Scanlan IC
Deacon Rev Mark Howe
Website saintjosephs.org.uk
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, New Zealand Road, Cardiff CF14 3BR
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 9.15am & 11am
Holy Day Mass 9.15am
Sacrament of Reconciliation See Newsletter
Deanery St David

CARDIFF - Cyncoed
St Paul
 127 Cyncoed Rd, Cardiff CF23 7BW
Served from Heath - St Brigid
 A church of the parish of St Brigid with St Paul



Tel 029 2075 2389
Email crystals@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Canon Matthew Jones, Rev Andrea Bord,
 Rev Philip Davies (assisting)
Deacon Rev Christian Mahoney
Website 3churches.org
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Crystal Glen, Cardiff CF14 5QN
Sunday Mass 9am
Holy Day Mass 9.30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before and after Mass
Deanery St David

CARDIFF - Ely**St Francis of Assisi**

Cowbridge Road West, Ely, Cardiff CF5 5TD

Served from Canton - St Mary of the Angels

Tel	029 2023 0492
Email	canton@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Solomon Ugwummadu,
Deacon	Rev Maurice Scanlon
Website	cardiffwestcatholics.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Priory, 67 Talbot Street, Cardiff CF11 9BX
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 9.30am
Holy Day Mass	Vigil Mass 7pm; 9.30am on day
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5.30pm
Deanery	St David

CARDIFF - Fairwater**Holy Family**

Carter Place, Fairwater, Cardiff CF5 3NP

Served from Canton - St Mary of the Angels

Tel	029 2023 0492
Email	canton@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Solomon Ugwummadu,
Deacon	Rev Maurice Scanlon
Website	cardiffwestcatholics.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Priory, 67 Talbot Street, Cardiff CF11 9BX
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 10am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	After every Mass
Deanery	St David

CARDIFF - Gabalfa**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Gabalfa Avenue, Gabalfa, Cardiff CF14 2QQ

Served from Whitchurch - St Teilo

A church of the parish of St Teilo with Our Lady of Lourdes



Tel	029 2062 3444
Email	whitchurch@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Canon John Griffiths
Website	www.stteilos-olol.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Old Church Road, Cardiff CF14 1AD
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm
Holy Day Mass	6pm (except Wed 10am)
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5.30pm - 6pm
Deanery	St David

CARDIFF - Grangetown**St Patrick**

63 Pentrebane Street, Grangetown, Cardiff CF11 7LN



Tel	029 2025 3514
Email	grangetown@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Canon Michael Evans
Website	stpatrikscardiff.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Grange Gardens, Cardiff CF11 7LJ
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil 6pm; Sun 10am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	After every Mass
Deanery	St David

CARDIFF - Heath**St Brigid**

Crystals, Cardiff CF14 5QN

A church of the parish of St Brigid with St Paul



Tel	029 2075 2389
Email	crystals@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Canon Matthew Jones, Rev Andrea Bord, Rev Philip Davies (assisting)
Deacon	Rev Christian Mahoney
Website	3churches.org
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Crystal Glen, Cardiff CF14 5QN
Sunday Mass	10.30am, 6pm
Holy Day Mass	7.30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 10am - 10.30am
Deanery	St David

CARDIFF - Llanedeyrn**St Philip Evans**

Llanedeyrn Drive, Llanedeyrn, Cardiff



Tel	029 2037 9031/07495 802 711
Email	llanedeyrn@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Keith Evans
Deacon	Rev Stephen Melhuish
Website	sphilpevans.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Llanedeyrn Drive, Cardiff CF23 9UL
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil: 5.15pm; Sun 10.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 4.30pm - 5pm; Sun 9.45am - 10.15am
Deanery	St David

CARDIFF - Llanishen**Christ the King**

Newborough Avenue, Llanishen, Cardiff CF14 5DB

Served from Heath - St Brigid

Tel 029 2075 2389 / 029 2075 3954
Email llanishen@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Canon Matthew Jones, Rev Andrea Bord,
 Rev Peter Davies (assisting)
Deacon Rev Christian Mahoney
Website 3churches.org
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Crystal Glen, Cardiff CF13 5QN
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 9.30am
Holy Day Mass 11.30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 5.40pm
Deanery St David

CARDIFF - Llanrumney**St Cadoc**

75 Burnham Avenue, Llanrumney, Cardiff CF3 5LQ



Tel 029 2077 8038
Email llanrumney@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Canon Brian Gray
Correspondence Address St Cadoc's Presbytery, Parracombe Crescent,
 Cardiff CF3 5LT
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5pm; Sun 11am, 6pm
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 7pm; 9.30am on the day
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 4pm - 4.30pm; Tues after 7pm Mass
Deanery St David

CARDIFF - Roath**St Peter**

St Peter Street, Roath, Cardiff CF24 3BA



Tel 029 2048 3394
Email roath@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Rev Chris Fuse IC, Rev Benny Dennis IC,
 Rev Shinto Kumminiyil IC
Deacon Rev Michael Randell
Website stpeterscardiff.org.uk
Correspondence Address St Peter Street, Roath, Cardiff CF24 3BA
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm; Sun 9.30am, 11.30am
Holy Day Mass 10am, 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Every day after 10am Mass; Sat 5pm
Deanery St David

CARDIFF - Rumney
Blessed Sacrament
 Wentloog Road, Rumney Cardiff CF3 3HE



Tel 07886 056 781
Email rumney@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Prajil Pandaraparambil
Website syromalabarcardiff.com
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, 151 Wentloog Road, Cardff CF3 3HE
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation See Newsletter
Deanery St David

CARDIFF - Splott
St Alban on the Moors –Oratory of St Philip Neri in Formation in Cardiff
 Swinton Street, Cardiff CFF24 3NX



Tel 029 2046 3219
Email admin@cardifforatory.co.uk
Priest Rev Sebastian Jones CO, Rev Alexander Gee CO,
 Rev Illyd Williams CO
Website cardifforatory.co.uk
Correspondence Address The Oratory, Cameron Steet, Cardiff CF24 2NX
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5pm; 8am, Sun 10am, 11.15am
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 7pm; 7.30am, 9.30am 7pm on the day
Sacrament of Reconciliation During all Sunday Masses; Weekdays 7.15am -
 7.30am; Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 9am - 9.30am; Wed 6pm - 7pm
Deanery St David

CARDIFF - Trowbridge
St John Lloyd
 Glan-y-Mor Road, Cardiff CF3 1RQ
Served from Archbishop's House, Cardiff



Tel 029 2037 9031
Email trowbridge@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Robert Davies
Correspondence Address Archbishop's House, 41 - 43 Cathedral Road,
 Cardiff CF11 9HD
Sunday Mass 9.30am
Holy Day Mass 9.30am (in St John Lloyd School during term time)
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 9am – 9.20am
Deanery St David

CARDIFF – UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY

62 Park Place, Cardiff CF10 3AS



Tel	029 2022 8738
Email	johnp.thomas@cardiffmenevia.org
Chaplain	Rev John Patrick Thomas
Website	cardiffcatholicchaplaincy.org
Correspondence Address	62 Park Place, Cardiff CF10 3AS
Sunday Mass	6pm (rear of 62 Park Place)
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sunday 5.15pm – 5.45pm and on request
Deanery	St David

CARDIFF - Whitchurch**St Teilo**

Old Church Road, Whitchurch, Cardiff CF13 1AD

A church of the parish of St Teilo with Our Lady of Lourdes



Tel	029 2062 3444
Email	whitchurch@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Canon John Griffiths
Website	stteilos-olol.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Old Church Road, Cardiff CF14 1AD
Sunday Mass	10am, 6pm
Holy Day Mass	10am (except Wed 7pm)
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat after 10am Mass
Deanery	St David

CARDIGAN**Our Lady of the Taper**

North Road, Cardigan SA43 1LT

Welsh National Shrine of Our Lady of the Taper



Tel	01239 612 615/07796 107 241
Email	cardigan@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Canon Pius Augustine Valummelmalayil
Website	ourladyofthetaper.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, North Road, Cardigan SA43 1LT
Sunday Mass	10.30am (9.30am on Remembrance Sunday)
Holy Day Mass	10.30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Before and after Sat 9.30am Mass and on request
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

CARMARTHEN**St Mary**

Union Street, Carmarthen SA31 3DE



Tel	01267 237 205
Email	carmarthen@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Phillip Harries
Website	stmaryschurcarmarthen.org
Correspondence Address	St Mary's Retreat, Union Street, Carmarthen SA31 3DE
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm; Sun 11am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5pm - 5.20pm
Deanery	St Teilo

CHEPSTOW**St Mary**

Bulwark Road, Chepstow NP16 5JE

A church of the parish of Chepstow, Caldicot and Magor



Tel	01291 622 649
Email	chepstow@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Richard Ayivi Aziati
Deacon	Rev Richard Edwards
Website	stmarysrcchepstow.org.uk
Correspondence Address	St Mary's Presbytery, Bulwark Road, Chepstow NP16 5JE
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil 6pm; Sun 11am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

CLYDACH**St Benedict**

41 Pontardawe Road, Clydach SA6 5NS



Tel	01792 842 244
Email	clydach@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Saji Matthew Koottakathayil
Correspondence Address	41 Pontardawe Road, Clydach SA6 5NS
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 10am
Holy Day Mass	Vigil of Holy Day 6pm; 9.30am on day
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5.30pm - 5.55pm
Deanery	St Teilo

COWBRIDGE**St Cadoc**

Town Mill Road, Cowbridge CF71 7BE

Served from Llantwit Major - Our Lady & St Illtyd

A church of the parish of Llantwit Major and Cowbridge



Tel	01446 792 381/07484 234 092
Email	llantwit@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev John Boye
Website	westvalecatholics.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Ham Lane East, Llantwit Major CF61 1TO
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 5pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

CWMAVON**St Philip Evans**

Salem Road, Cwmavon SA12 9EL

Served from Aberavon - St Joseph

A church of the parish of Port Talbot and Cwmavon

Tel	01639 882 846
Email	porttalbot@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Canon Barry English, Rev Elliot Hanson
Website	stjosephs-porttalbot.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Water Street, Port Talbot SA12 6LE
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 5pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 4.45pm - 5pm
Deanery	St John Lloyd

CWMBRAN**Our Lady of the Angels**

Wesley Street, Cwmbran NP44 3LX

A church of the parish of Our Lady and St David



Tel	01633 482 346
Email	cwmbran@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Daniel Stanton
Website	ourladyoftheangels.org
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Oak Street, Cwmbran NP44 3LT
Sunday Mass	9.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 10.30am - 11.30am
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

CWMBRAN - Pontnewydd**St David**Avondale Road, Pontnewydd, Cwmbran NP44 1TT
A church of the parish of Our Lady and St David

Tel	01633 482 346
Email	cwmbran@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Daniel Stanton
Website	ourladyoftheangels.org
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Oak Street, Cwmbran NP44 3LT
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil 5pm; 11.15am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 4.15pm - 4.45pm or on request
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

DINAS POWYS**St Mary**Edith Road, Dinas Powys CF64 4AD
Served from Penarth - St Joseph
A church of the parish of Penarth and Dinas Powys

Tel	029 2070 8247
Email	penarth@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Mgr Joseph Boardman
Deacon	Rev Elfed Jones
Correspondence Address	St Joseph's Presbytery, Wordsworth Avenue, Penarth CF64 2RL
Sunday Mass	11.15am
Holy Day Mass	Mass in St Josephs - 10am, 7.30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sun after Mass on request
Deanery	St David

DOWLAIS**St Illtyd**Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 3BT
Served from Merthyr - St Mary

Tel	01685 723 336
Email	merthyr@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Morgan Opara MSC, Rev Francis Onu MSC
Deacon	Rev Garth Tasker
Website	merthyrcc.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Priory, Pontmorlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8RG
Sunday Mass	9.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 6pm
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

EBBW VALE**All Saints**

Tredegar Road, Ebbw Vale NP23 6JQ

Served from Tredegar - The Immaculate Conception

Tel **01495 717 162**
Email **tredegar@cardiffmenevia.org**
Priest **Rev Joseph Arthur**
Website trevcatholics.co.uk
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Scwrfa Road, Tredegar NP22 4AT
Sunday Mass 10.30am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Wed 9.30am and on request
Deanery Ss Julius & Aaron

FISHGUARD**Holy Name**

51 Vergam Terrace, Fishguard SA65 9DF

A church of the parish of Fishguard and St David's



Tel **01348 873 865**
Email **fishguard@cardiffmenevia.org**
Priest **Rev Richard Jones OSB**
Website holynamechurch.wordpress.com
Correspondence Address 51 Vergam Terrace, Fishguard SA65 9DF
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 11am
Holy Day Mass 10am
Sacrament of Reconciliation See Newsletter or on request
Deanery Our Lady of the Taper

GLYNNEATH**St John Kemble**

Llewellyn Street, Glynneath SA11 5AE

Served from Neath - St Joseph

Tel **01639 643 323**
Email **neath@cardiffmenevia.org**
Priest **Rev Neil Evans**
Website catholicchurchneath.org.uk
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Hillside Lane, Neath SA11 1TG
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 4pm
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation On request
Deanery St John Lloyd

GORSEINON**Blessed Sacrament**

99 Alexandra Road, Gorseinon SA4 4NX



Tel	01792 892 722
Email	gorseinon@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Clement Oluruntoba OP
Website	parishofgorseinon.org
Correspondence Address	99 Alexandra Road, Gorseinon SA4 4NX
Sunday Mass	10.30am
Holy Day Mass	7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sun 10.15am
Deanery	St Teilo

HAVERFORDWEST**St David and St Patrick**9 Fountain Row, Barn Street, Haverfordwest SA61 1SX
A church of the parish of Haverfordwest and Narberth

Tel	01437 7622 284
Email	haverfordwest@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Ramesh Gundabathina SDM
Website	stdavidandstpatrick.org
Correspondence Address	9 Fountain Row, Barn Street, Haverfordwest SA61 1SX
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 10am
Holy Day Mass	10am, 6.30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Fri 9.15am - 9.45am; Sat 10.30am - 11am,
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

HAY-ON-WYE**St Joseph**4 Belmont Road, Hay-on-Wye HR3 5DA
Served from Brecon – St Michael
A church of the parish of Brecon and Hay

Tel	01874 622 046/07922 042 749
Email	brecon@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Jimmy Sebastian Pulickakunnel MCBS
Website	stmichaelsrcbrecon.org.uk
Correspondence Address	11 St Michael's Street, Brecon LD3 9AB
Sunday Mass	9am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Thurs 9.35am - 9.55am and on request
Deanery	St Teilo

HEREFORD - Belmont
Abbey of St Michael and All Angels
 Ruckhall Lane, Hereford HR2 9RZ



Tel 01432 374 715
Email parish@belmontabbey.org.uk
Priest Rev Augustine Primavesi OSB
Website belmontparish.org.uk
Correspondence Address Belmont Abbey, Ruckhall Lane, Hereford HR2 9RZ
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 4pm; 8.30am, 9.30am, 11am
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 7pm; 8am, 12noon on the day
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 10am - 10.30am and on request
Deanery St John Kemble

HEREFORD
Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
 101 Belmont Road, Hereford HR2 7JR



Tel 01432 265 177
Email hereford@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Andrew Berry OSB
Website olqmhereford.org.uk
Correspondence Address 101 Belmont Road, Hereford HR2 7JR
Sunday Mass 10am
Holy Day Mass 9.30am, 6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 10am - 11am and on request
Deanery St John Kemble

HEREFORD – City Centre
St Francis Xavier
 19 Broad Street, Hereford HR4 9AP



Tel 01432 265 177
Email hereford@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Rev James Hood OSB, Rev John George OSB
Website olqmhereford.org.uk
Correspondence Address 19 Broad Street, Hereford HR4 9AP
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 10am
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 6pm; 1pm on day
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 11am - 12pm
Deanery St John Kemble

HIRWAUN**St Thérèse of Lisieux**

High Street, Hirwaun CF44 9TA

Served from Mountain Ash - Our Lady of Lourdes

A church of the parish of Mary Immaculate – Aberdare, Hirwaun & Mountain Ash



Tel	01443 476 476 973
Email	cynonvalley@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Robert James
Website	parishmaryimmaculate.org.uk
Correspondence Address	Our Lady's Presbytery, Miskin Road, Mountain Ash, CF45 3UA
Sunday Mass	9am
Holy Day Mass	Vigil Mass 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	8.30am - 8.50am
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

KIDWELLY**Our Lady and St Cadoc**

Priory Street, Kidwelly SA17 4TR

Served from Burry Port - Our Lady Star of the Sea

A church of the parish of Burry Port and Kidwelly



Tel	01554 832 520
Email	burryport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Lawrence Obotamah
Website	burryportandkidwellycatholic.co.uk
Correspondence Address	55 Pencoed Road, Burry Port SA16 0PN
Sunday Mass	11am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Before Mass
Deanery	St Teilo

KINGTON**St Bede the Venerable**

Bridge Street, Kington HR5 3DW

Served from Weobley - St Thomas of Hereford

A church of the parish of Weobley and Kington



Tel	01544 318325 / 07442 075 303
Email	simon.mcgurk@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Simon McGurk OSB
Website	thomasandbede.com
Correspondence Address	St Thomas' Presbytery, Weobley HR4 8QS
Sunday Mass	Vigil Mass Sat 6pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	St John Kemble

KNIGHTON
Our Lady of Perpetual Succour and St Nicholas
 Market Square, Knighton LD7 1EY
Served from Llandrindod Wells



Tel 01597 822 353
Email llandrindodwells@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Gerald Isiguzo OP, Rev Richard Ogedengbe OP
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Ithon Road, Llandrindod Wells LD1 6AP
Sunday Mass 10am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Wed 11am
Deanery St Teilo

LAMPETER
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
 Carmel, Pontfaen Road, Lampeter SA48 7BS
Served from Aberystwyth - Welsh Martyrs

Tel 01970 617 159
Email lampeter@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Very Rev Liam Bradley, Rev Malachy Orjiebele
Website catholicchurchlampeter.org
Correspondence Address Brynhyfryd, Piercefield Lane, Penparcau, Aberystwyth SY23 1RX
Sunday Mass 11am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Tues 6pm - 7pm
Polish Mass 6pm (2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday of the month)
Deanery Our Lady of the Taper

LEDBURY
The Most Holy Trinity
 New Street, Ledbury HR8 2EE



Tel 01531 635 354
Email ledbury@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Adrian Wiltshire
Website ledburycatholicchurch.org.uk
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, New Street, Ledbury HR8 2EE
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil 5pm; 9.30am
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 6pm; 12noon on the day
Sacrament of Reconciliation On request
Deanery St John Kemble

LEOMINSTER**St Ethelbert**

86 Bargates, Leominster HR6 8QS



Tel	01568 612 238/07810 006 998
Email	leominster@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Paul Stonham OSB
Website	brominster.uk
Correspondence Address	86 Bargates, Leominster HR6 8QS
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm; 9am
Holy Day Mass	Vigil Mass 7pm; 10am on the day
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 10.30am (2nd & 4th Sat of month) and before and after all Masses
Deanery	St John Kemble

LLANARTH**St Mary and St Michael**

Llanarth Court, Llanarth, Raglan NP15 2YD

Served from Abergavenny – Our Lady and St Michael

Tel	01873 851 051
Email	abergavenny@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Matthew Carney OSB
Deacon	Rev Andreas Erhardt
Website	olsm.abergavenny.co.uk
Correspondence Address	10 Pen-y-Pound, Abergavenny NP7 5UD
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil 5pm
Holy Day Mass	Vigil Mass 5pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Before and after Mass
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

LLANDEILO**St David**

5 Carmarthen Road, Llandeilo SA19 6DL

Served from Ammanford - Our Lady of the Rosary

Tel	01269 267 382
Email	ammanford@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Donatus Chukwuedo
Correspondence Address	35 Margaret Street, Ammanford SA18 2NP
Sunday Mass	11am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Thurs 10am - 10.30am
Deanery	St Teilo

LLANDOVERY**Our Lady**

College View, Llandoverly SA20 0BD

Served from Ammanford - Our Lady of the Rosary

Tel	01269 267 382
Email	ammanford@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Donatus Chukwuedo
Correspondence Address	35 Margaret Street, Ammanford SA18 2NP
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 4pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 3.30pm - 3.55pm and on request
Deanery	St Teilo

LLANRINDOD WELLS**Our Lady of Ransom and the Holy Souls**

Victoria Road, Llandrindod Wells LD1 6AP

A church of the parish of Llandrindod Wells and Builth Wells

Tel	01597 822 353
Email	llandrindodwells@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Gerald Isiguzo OP, Rev Richard Ogedengbe OP
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Ithon Road, Llandrindod Wells LD1 6AP
Sunday Mass	12noon
Holy Day Mass	6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 10.30am and on request
Deanery	St Teilo

LLANELLI**Our Lady Queen of Peace**

Waunlanyrafon, Llanelli SA15 3AB



Tel	01554 774 070
Email	llanelli@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Martin Donnelly
Website	olqpllanelli.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Waunlanyrafon, Llanelli SA15 3AB
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 10am
Holy Day Mass	10am, 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	2nd, 3rd and 4th Sat of month 10am - 11.30am; 1st Sat of month 9am - 9.45am and on request
Deanery	St Teilo

LLANTWIT MAJOR**Our Lady and St Illtyd**

Ham Lane East, Llantwit Major CF61 1TO

A church of the parish of Llantwit Major and Cowbridge

Tel	01446 792 381/07484 234 092
Email	llantwit@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev John Boye
Website	westvalecatholics.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Ham Lane East, Llantwit Major CF61 1TO
Sunday Mass	9am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

MAESTEG**Our Lady and St Patrick**

Monica Street, Maesteg CF34 9AY



Tel	01656 733 282
Email	maesteg@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Paul Joseph
Website	maestegcatholicchurch.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Monica Street, Maesteg CF34 9AY
Sunday Mass	11am, 5pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 10.45am - 11.15am and on request
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

MERTHYR - Pontmorlais**St Mary (Our Lady of the Rosary)**

Pontmorlais West, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8RG



Tel	01685 723 336
Email	merthyr@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Morgan Opara MSC, Rev Francis Onu MSC
Deacon	Deacon Garth Tasker
Website	merthyrrc.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Priory, Pontmorlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8RG
Sunday Mass	11.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

MERTHYR- Gurnos**St Aloysius**

Chestnut Way, Gurnos, Merthyr CF47 9SB

Served from Pontmorlais - St Mary

Tel	01685 723 336
Email	merthyr@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Morgan Opara MSC, Rev Francis Onu MSC
Deacon	Deacon Garth Tasker
Website	merthyrrc.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Priory, Pontmorlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8RG
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil 6.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 6pm
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

MERTHYR VALE**St Benedict**

Chestnut Way, Gurnos, Merthyr CF47 9SB

Served from Pontmorlais - St Mary

Tel	01685 723 336
Email	merthyr@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Morgan Opara MSC, Rev Francis Onu MSC
Deacon	Deacon Garth Tasker
Website	merthyrrc.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Priory, Pontmorlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8RG
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil 6.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 6pm
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

MILFORD HAVEN**St Francis of Assisi**

128 Priory Road, Milford Haven SA73 2EE



Tel	01646 693 37
Email	milfordhaven@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Paul Osunyikanmi
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, 128 Priory Road, Milford Haven SA73 2EE
Sunday Mass	11am, 6pm
Holy Day Mass	9.30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Before Sat 9.30am Mass and all Sun Masses
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

MISKIN**All Hallows**

School Rd, Miskin, Pontyclun CF72 8PG

A church of the pastorate of Our Lady of Penrhys



Tel	01443 228 066
Email	miskin@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Gareth Leyshon
Website	olov.org.uk
Correspondence Address	Meadow View, School Road, Miskin CF72 8PG
Sunday Mass	9.15am
Holy Day Mass	7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sun 8.45am & first Sat of month 10.30am - 11am
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

MONMOUTH**St Mary**

St Mary Street, Monmouth NP25 3DB



Tel	01600 712 029
Email	monmouth@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Canon Nicholas James
Website	monmouthandrosscatholicchurches.uk
Correspondence Address	26 St Mary Street, Monmouth NP25 3DB
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 9.15am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5.15pm - 5.45pm and on request
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

MOUNTAIN ASH**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Miskin Road, Mountain Ash, CF45 3UA

A church of the parish of Mary Immaculate – Aberdare, Hirwaun and Mountain Ash



Tel	01443 476 973
Email	cynonvalley@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Robert James
Website	parishmaryimmaculate.org.uk
Correspondence Address	Our Lady's Presbytery, Miskin Road, Mountain Ash, CF45 3UA
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 5pm
Holy Day Mass	9am, 10am (term time)
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5pm - 5.20pm
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

NARBERTH**The Immaculate Conception**

Church Street, Narberth SA67 7BH

A church of the parish of Haverfordwest and Narberth



Tel	01437 7622 284
Email	haverfordwest@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Ramesh Gundabathina SDM
Website	stdavidandstpatrick.org
Correspondence Address	9 Fountain Row, Barn Street, Haverfordwest SA61 1SX
Sunday Mass	12pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Wed 4pm - 4.15pm
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

NEATH**St Joseph**

Hillside Lane, Neath SA11 1TG



Tel	01639 643 323
Email	neath@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Neil Evans
Website	catholicchurchneath.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Hillside Lane, Neath SA11 1TG
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 4pm; 10.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5.30pm - 5.55pm and on request
Deanery	St John Lloyd

NEWBRIDGE**Our Lady of Peace**

Ashfield Road, Newbridge NP11 4RB

A church of the parish of Prince of Peace – Newbridge, Pontllanfraith and Risca



Tel	01495 243 304 / 07980 236 936
Email	newbridge@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Kevin Paine, Rev Anthony Akpan OP
Website	ourladyofpeace.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Ashfield Road, Newbridge NP11 4RB
Sunday Mass	11.15am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

NEWCASTLE EMLYN**Our Lady Queen of Peace**

Castle Street, Newcastle Emlyn, SA38 9AF

Served from Cardigan - Our Lady of the Taper

Tel	01239 612 615
Email	cardigan@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Canon Pius Augustine Valummelmalayil
Website	ourladyofthetaper.org.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, North Road, Cardigan SA43 1LT
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Holy Day Mass	Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Before and after Mass and on request
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

NEWPORT - Bettws**St David Lewis**

Monnow Way, Bettws, Newport NP20 7DX

Served from Stow Hill - St Mary

A church of the parish of All Saints



Tel	01633 265 533 / 01633 213 890 07805 696 474 (Emergency Sick Only)
Email	newport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Stephen Ogbe OP, Rev Richard Odok OP, Rev Anthony Hamidu OP
Website	allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Deacon	Deacon Pasquale Cinotti
Parish Sister	Sr Collette Bamber
Correspondence Address	St Mary's Presbytery, 9 Stow Hill, Newport NP20 1TP
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 4.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	30 mins before Mass
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

NEWPORT - Llyserry**St Patrick**

Cromwell Road, Llyserry, Newport NP19 OHS



Tel	01633 672 334
Email	newport2@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Michael McCarthy IC, Rev Eric Willett IC (Retired)
Website	stpatricksnewport.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, 151 Cromwell Road, Newport NP19 OHS
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6.00pm; 10am
Holy Day Mass	9.30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 12noon - 12.30pm
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

NEWPORT - Maesglas**St David**

Park Crescent, Maesglas, Newport NP20 3AO

A church of the parish of All Saints - served by the Syro-Malabar Eparchy



Tel 07346 149 003
Email maesglas@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest
Website allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Cardiff Rd, Newport NP20 3AJ
Sunday Mass 10am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 mins before Mass
Deanery Ss Julius and Aaron

NEWPORT - Malpas**St Anne**

Oliphant Circle, Malpas, Newport NP20 6PF

Served from Stow Hill - St Mary

A church of the parish of All Saints



Tel 01633 265 533 / 01633 213 890
07805 696 474 (Emergency Sick Only)
Email newport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Rev Stephen Ogbe OP, Rev Richard Odok OP,
Rev Anthony Hamidu OP
Deacon Rev Pasquale Cinotti
Parish Sister Sr Collette Bamber
Website allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Correspondence Address St Mary's Presbytery, 9 Stow Hill, Newport NP20 1TP
Sunday Mass 9am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 mins before Mass
Deanery Ss Julius and Aaron

NEWPORT - Pillgwenlly**St Michael**

Clarence Street, Newport NP20 2BZ

Served from Stow Hill - St Mary

A church of the parish of All Saints



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Priests Rev Stephen Ogbe OP, Rev Richard Odok OP,
Rev Anthony Hamidu OP
Deacon Rev Pasquale Cinotti
Parish Sister Sr Collette Bamber
Website allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Correspondence Address St Mary's Presbytery, 9 Stow Hill, Newport NP20 1TP
Sunday Mass 10.45am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 mins before Mass
Deanery Ss Julius and Aaron

NEWPORT - Ringland**St Gabriel – Church Permanently Closed**

Mass said at Bishpool Methodist Church, Ringland Circle, Newport NP19 9PL

Served from Newport - St Mary



Tel	01633 265 533 / 01633 213 890 07805 696 474 (Emergency Sick Only)
Email	newport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Stephen Ogbe OP, Rev Richard Odok OP, Rev Anthony Hamidu OP
Deacon	Rev Pasquale Cinotti
Parish Sister	Sr Collette Bamber
Website	allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Correspondence Address	9 Stow Hill, Newport NP20 1TP
Sunday Mass	4pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Deanery	St David

NEWPORT - Rogerstone**St Basil and St Gwladys**

Tregwilym Road, Rogerstone, Newport NP10 9DW

A church of the parish of All Saints - served by the Ordinariate



Tel	07720 272 137
Email	rogerstone@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Bernard Sixtus
Website	allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Correspondence Address	50 Richmond Road, Abergavenny NP7 5RE
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 11am (Ordinariate Mass)
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	30 mins before Mass
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

NEWPORT - St Julians**St Julius the Martyr**

Beaufort Road, St Juilan's, Newport NP19 7NJ

Served from Stow Hill - St Mary

A church of the parish of All Saints



Tel	01633 265 533 / 01633 213 890 07805 696 474 (Emergency Sick Only)
Email	newport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Stephen Ogbe OP, Rev Richard Odok OP, Rev Anthony Hamidu OP
Deacon	Rev Pasquale Cinotti
Parish Sister	Sr Collette Bamber
Website	allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Correspondence Address	St Mary's Presbytery, 9 Stow Hill, Newport NP30 1TP
Sunday Mass	11.15am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	30 mins before Mass
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

NEWPORT - Stow Hill**St Mary**

Stow Hill, Newport NP20 1TP

A church of the parish of All Saints



Tel	01633 265 533 / 01633 213 890 07805 696 474 (Emergency Sick Only)
Email	newport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Stephen Ogbe OP, Rev Richard Odok OP, Rev Anthony Hamidu OP
Deacon	Rev Pasquale Cinotti
Parish Sister	Sr Collette Bamber
Website	allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk
Correspondence Address	St Mary's Presbytery, 9 Stow Hill, Newport NP30 1TP
Sunday Mass	10.45am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	30 mins before Mass
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

PEMBROKE**St Joseph**

Monkton, Pembroke SA71 4LP

Served from Milford Haven - St Francis of Assisi

A church of the parish of Pembroke and Pembroke Dock



Tel	01646 693 37
Email	pembrokedock@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Paul Osunyikanmi
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, 128 Priory Road, Milford Haven SA73 2EE
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	On request
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

PEMBROKE DOCK**St Mary**

31a Meyrick Street, Pembroke Dock SA72 6AL

Served from Milford Haven - St Francis of Assisi

A church of the parish of Pembroke and Pembroke Dock



Tel	01646 693 37
Email	pembrokedock@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Paul Osunyikanmi
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, 128 Priory Road, Milford Haven SA73 2EE
Sunday Mass	10am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	On request
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

PENARTH**St Joseph**

Wordsworth Avenue, Penarth CF64 2RL
A church of the parish of Penarth and Dinas Powys



Tel 029 2070 8247
Email penarth@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Mgr Joseph Boardman
Deacon Rev Elfed Jones
Correspondence Address St Joseph's Presbytery, Wordsworth Avenue,
Penarth CF64 2RL
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5pm; 9.30am
Holy Day Mass 10am, 7.30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 10am - 11am
Deanery St David

PONTARDDULAIS**St Bride**

Cross Street, Pontarddulais SA4 8LR
Served from Gorseinon - Blessed Sacrament



Tel 01792 892 722
Email gorseinon@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Rev Clement Oluruntoba OP
Website parishofgorseinon.org
Correspondence Address 99 Alexandra Road, Gorseinon SA4 4NX
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5pm
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass on Sat
Deanery St Teilo

PONTLLANFRAITH**The Sacred Heart**

Blackwood Road, Pontllanfraith NP12 2BR
Served from Newbridge - Our Lady of Peace
A church of the parish of Prince of Peace – Newbridge, Pontllanfraith and Risca



Tel 01495 243 304 / 07980 236 936
Email newbridge@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Rev Kevin Paine, Rev Anthony Akpan OP
Website ourladyofpeace.co.uk
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Ashfield Road, Newbridge NP11 4RB
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5pm
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation See Newsletter
Deanery Ss Julius and Aaron

PONTYBEREM**Eglwys y Groes (Holy Cross)**

Heol y Bryn, Pontyberem SA15 5AG

Served from Burry Port - Our Lady Star of the Sea

Tel 01554 832 520
Email burryport@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Lawrence Obotamah
Website burryportandkidwellycatholic.co.uk
Correspondence Address 55 Pencoed Road, Burry Port SA16 0PN
Sunday Mass 9.30am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Sun Mass
Deanery St Teilo

PONTYPOOL**St Alban**

George Street, Pontypool NP4 6HL

A church of the parish of Pontypool and Blaenavon



Tel 01495 762 280
Email pontypool@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Canon Paul Millar
Website pontypoolparish.co.uk
Correspondence Address The Priest's House, Conway Road, Pontypool NP4 6HL
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 11am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation On request
Deanery Ss Julius & Aaron

PORT TALBOT - Aberafan**St Joseph**

Water Street, Port Talbot SA12 6LE

A church of the parish of St Joseph and St Philip Evans



Tel 01639 882 846
Email porttalbot@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Canon Barry English, Rev Elliot Hanson
Website stjosephs-porttalbot.co.uk
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Water Street, Port Talbot SA12 6LE
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 8.30am, 10am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 11am - 12noon
Deanery St John Lloyd

PORT TALBOT - Margam
Our Lady of Margam
 Margam Road, Port Talbot SA13 2HR



Tel 01639 883 323
Email margam@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Andrzej Kuklinski
Website margamcatholic.com
Correspondence Address Maes Gwyn, 63 Margam Road, Port Talbot SA13 2HR
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 10am
Holy Day Mass 9am, 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Mon - Sat 30 mins before each Mass
Deanery St John Lloyd

PORT TALBOT - Sandfields
St Thérèse of Lisieux
 Southdown Road, Port Talbot SA12 7HL



Tel 011639 884 791
Email sandfields@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Paul Brophy
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Southdown Road, Port Talbot SA12 7HL
Sunday Mass 11am
Holy Day Mass 10am
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 4.15pm - 4.45pm
Deanery St John Lloyd

PORTHCAWL
Our Lady Star of the Sea
 New Road, Porthcawl CF36 5BN
Served from Bridgend - St Mary



Tel 01656 652 034
Email porthcawl@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests Rev Timothy McGrath, Rev Dale Cutlan
Deacons Deacon Robert Coyne, Deacon Anthony Martin
Website catholicchurchporthcawl.org.uk
Correspondence Address St Mary's Presbytery, 39 Ewenny Road, Bridgend CF31 3HS
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 4.30pm; 10am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation See Newsletter
Deanery Our Lady of Penrhys

PRESTEIGNE**Assumption of Our Lady and St Thérèse**

King's Turning Point, Presteigne, LD8 2LD

Served from Llandrindod Wells - Our Lady of Ransom

Tel	01597 822 353
Email	llandrindodwells@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Gerald Isiguzo OP, Rev Richard Ogedengbe OP
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Ithon Road, Llandrindod Wells LD1 6AP
Sunday Mass	8.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Wed 9am
Deanery	St Teilo

RHAYADER**St Francis of Assisi**

2 Dark Lane, Rhayader LD6 5DA

Served from Llandrindod Wells - Our Lady of Ransom

Tel	01597 822 353
Email	llandrindodwells@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Gerald Isiguzo OP, Rev Richard Ogedengbe OP
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Ithon Road, Llandrindod Wells LD1 6AP
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 5.30pm - 5.50pm
Deanery	St Teilo

RHYMNEY**St John**

Hill Street, Rhymney NP22 5JD

Served from Tredegar - The Immaculate Conception

Tel	01495 717 162
Email	tredegar@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Joseph Arthur
Website	trevcatholics.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Scwrfa Road, Tredegar NP22 4AT
Sunday Mass	5.30pm
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Thurs 9.30am and on request
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

RISCA**St Anthony of Padua and St Clare**

Lyne Road, Risca NP11 6AT

Served from Newbridge - Our Lady of Peace

A church of the parish of Prince of Peace – Newbridge, Pontllanfraith and Risca



Tel	01495 243 304 / 07980 236 936
Email	newbridge@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Kevin Paine, Rev Anthony Akpan OP
Website	ourladyofpeace.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Ashfield Road, Newbridge NP11 4RB
Sunday Mass	9.30am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	Ss Julius and Aaron

ROSS-ON-WYE**St Frances of Rosme**

Sussex Avenue, Ross-on-Wye, HR9 5AL

Served from Monmouth - St Mary

Tel	01600 712 029
Email	monmouth@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Canon Nicholas James
Website	monmouthandrosscatholicchurches.uk
Correspondence Address	26 St Mary Street, Monmouth NP25 3DB
Sunday Mass	11am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	St John Kemble

SAUNDERSFOOT**St Bride**

The Ridgeway, Saundersfoot SA69 9LN

Served from Tenby - Holyrood and St Teilo

A church of the parish of Tenby and Saundersfoot



Tel	01834 842 692
Email	tenby@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Vacant
Website	stteilstenby.co.uk
Correspondence Address	Catholic Church House, St Florence Parade, Tenby SA70 7DT
Sunday Mass	9.30am
Holy Day Mass	7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	On request
Deanery	Our Lady of the Taper

ST DAVID'S**St Michael**

New Street, St David's SA62 6SW

Served from Fishguard - Holy Name

A church of the parish of Fishguard and St David's



Tel **01348 873 865**
Email **fishguard@cardiffmenevia.org**
Priest **Rev Richard Jones OSB**
Website holynamechurch.wordpress.com
Correspondence Address 51 Vergam Terrace, Fishguard SA65 9DF
Sunday Mass 9am
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation See Newsletter or on request
Deanery Our Lady of the Taper

SWANSEA – City Centre**St David**

St David's Place, Swansea SA1 3NG



Tel **01792 653 343**
Email **swansea@cardiffmenevia.org**
Priest **Canon Paul Watson, Rev Gregory Beckett**
Website stdavids.wixsite.com
Correspondence Address St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea SA1 3NG
Sunday Mass 11.30am, 6pm
Holy Day Mass 12.30pm, 7pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 11.15am - 12.15pm
Deanery St John Lloyd

SWANSEA - Danygraig**St Illyd**

20 Longford Crescent, Danygraig SA1 8HS

Served from City Centre - St David's Priory

Tel **01792 653 343**
Email **swansea@cardiffmenevia.org**
Priest **Canon Paul Watson, Rev Gregory Beckett**
Website stdavids.wixsite.com
Correspondence Address St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea SA1 3NG
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 10am
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 6pm; 9.30am on the day (term time)
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 5.30pm - 5.50pm
Deanery St John Lloyd

SWANSEA - Dunvant
St Joachim and St Anne
 Llys Teg, Dunvant, Swansea SA2 7QQ



Tel 01792 201 046
Email dunvant@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev John Browne
Website gowercatholic.com
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Llys Teg, Dunvant, Swansea SA2 7QQ
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 8.30am, 10am
Holy Day Mass 10am, 6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass
Deanery St John Lloyd

SWANSEA - Gendros
Holy Cross
 Upper King's Head Road, Gendros, Swansea SA5 8BR



Tel 01792 586 454/07989 965 446
Email gendros@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Cyril Thadathil
Website holycrossmenevia.com
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Upper King's Head Road,
 Swansea SA5 8BR
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 10.30am
Holy Day Mass 6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 11.15am - 12noon
Deanery St John Lloyd

SWANSEA - Landore
St Peter
 Cwm Level Road, Landore, Swansea SA5 9DY
Served from Gendros - Holy Cross

Tel 01792 586 454/07989 965 446
Email gendros@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Cyril Thadathil
Website holycrossmenevia.com
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Upper King's Head Road,
 Swansea SA5 8BR
Sunday Mass 9am
Holy Day Mass 9am
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 11.15am - 12noon
Deanery St John Lloyd

SWANSEA - Morriston**The Sacred Heart**

School Road, Morriston, Swansea SA6 6HZ
Diocesan Shrine of Divine Mercy



Tel **01792 771 053**
Email **morrison@cardiffmenevia.org**
Priests **Canon Jason Jones, Rev Roderich Teriote**
Website **sacredheartmorrison.org.uk**
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, School Road, Morriston, Swansea SA6 6HZ
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm; 9.30am, 11.30am, 1.30pm (Latin Mass), 8pm
Holy Day Mass 9.30am, 7.30pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Wed 6.30pm; Fri 6.30pm; Sat 11am, 5pm
Deanery St John Lloyd

SWANSEA - Mumbles**Our Lady Star of the Sea**

Promenade Terrace, Mumbles, Swansea SA3 4DS



Tel **01792 367 283**
Email **mumbles@cardiffmenevia.org**
Priests **Rev Michael Akpoghiran OP, Rev Jude Akpobasa OP**
Website **ourladystaroftheseamumbles.org.uk**
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, 22 Devon Place, Mumbles, Swansea SA3 4DR
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6.30pm; 8.30am, 10.30am
Holy Day Mass Vigil Mass 7pm; 9.30am on the day
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 10.30am - 11am, 6pm - 6.30pm
Deanery St John Lloyd

SWANSEA - Sketty**St Benedict**

Llythrid Avenue, Sketty, Swansea SA2 0JJ
Served from Dunvant - St Joachim and St Anne



Tel **01792 201 046**
Email **sketty@cardiffmenevia.org**
Website **gowercatholic.com**
Rev John Browne **Rev John Browne**
Website **gowercatholic.com**
Correspondence Address The Presbytery, Llys Teg, Dunvant, Swansea SA2 7QQ
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; 8.30am, 10am
Holy Day Mass 10am, 6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Mass
Deanery St John Lloyd

SWANSEA - Townhill
Our Lady of Lourdes
 136 Penygraig Road, Townhill, Swansea SA1 6LA



Tel 01792 655 336
Email townhill@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Christo Titto Neriampampil
Correspondence Address 136 Penygraig Road, Townhill, Swansea SA1 6LA
Sunday Mass 11am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sun 10.15am - 10.40am
Deanery St John Lloyd

TENBY
Holyrood and St Teilo
 St Florence Parade, Tenby SA79 7DT
 A church of the parish of Tenby and Saundersfoot



Tel 01834 842 692
Email tenby@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Vacant
Website stteilostenby.co.uk
Correspondence Address Catholic Church House, St Florence Parade, Tenby SA70 7DT
Sunday Mass Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm
Holy Day Mass 11am
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 10.30am - 11.15am
Deanery Our Lady of the Taper

TONYPANDY
St Gabriel and St Raphael
 Trinity Road, Tonypany CF40 1DQ
Served from Miskin - All Hallows
 A church of the pastorate of Our Lady of Penrhys



Tel 01443 421 929
Email rhondda@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Rev Gareth Leyshon
Parish Sisters Sr Berenice O'Dwyer, Sr Maureen Davies
Website olov.org.uk
Correspondence Address Meadow View, School Road, Miskin CF72 8PG
Sunday Mass 5.30pm
Holy Day Mass 10.45am
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 5pm
Deanery Our Lady of Penrhys

TREDEGAR**The Immaculate Conception**

Scwrfa Road, Tredegar NP22 4AT



Tel	01495 717 162
Email	tredegar@cardiffmenevia.org
Priests	Rev Joseph Arthur
Website	trevcatholics.co.uk
Correspondence Address	The Presbytery, Scwrfa Road, Tredegar NP22 4AT
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 5.30pm; 9am
Holy Day Mass	See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sat 4.30pm and on request
Deanery	Ss Julius & Aaron

TREFOREST**St Dyfrig**

Boradway, Treforest CF37 1DB

Served from Miskin - All Hallows

A church of the pastorate of Our Lady of Penrhys



Tel	01443 402 439
Email	treforest@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Rev Gareth Leyshon
Website	olov.org.uk
Correspondence Address	Meadow View, School Road, Miskin CF72 8PG
Sunday Mass	11.15am
Holy Day Mass	8pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sun 7pm
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

TREFOREST – University of South Wales Ecumenical Chaplaincy

The Meeting House, University of South Wales, Treforest CF37 1DL



Tel	01443 654 060
Email	chaplaincy@southwales.ac.uk
Head Chaplain	Rev Michelle Romaniw
Website	chaplaincy.southwales.ac.uk
Correspondence Address	The Meeting House, University of South Wales, Treforest CF37 1DL
Sunday Mass	See Treforest – St Dyfrig Weekday Mass (termtime only) – see St Dyfrig's Newsletter
Deanery	St David

USK

St David Lewis and St Francis Xavier
 26 Porth y Carne Street, Usk NP15 1RZ
Served from Pontypool - St Alban



Tel 01495 762 280
Email catholicparishofusk.org.uk
Priest Canon Paul Millar
Website pontypoolparish.co.uk
Correspondence Address The Priest's House, Conway Road,
 Pontypool NP4 6HL
Sunday Mass 9.15am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation On request
Deanery Ss Julius & Aaron

WEOBLEY

St Thomas of Hereford
 Kington Rd, Weobley, Hereford HR4 8QS
 A church of the parish of St Thomas and St Bede



Tel 01544 318325 / 07442 075 303
Email simon.mcgurk@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest Fr Simon McGurk OSB
Website thomasandbede.com
Correspondence Address St Thomas' Presbytery, Weobley HR4 8QS
Sunday Mass 10.30am
Holy Day Mass See Newsletter
Sacrament of Reconciliation Before Sun Mass
Deanery St John Kemble

WHITLAND

Holy Cross Abbey
 Whitland SA34 0QX



Tel 01994 240 725
Email abbes.hca@gmail.com
Website hcawhitland.co.uk
Sunday Mass See Website
Holy Day Mass See Website
Divine Office Vigils 4am; Lauds 7am; Tierce 7.40am;
 Sext 12.15pm; None 2.30pm; Vespers 5pm;
 Compline 7pm

YNYSHIR**St Mary Magdalene**

4 Gynor Avenue, Ynyshir, CF39 0NH

Served from Miskin - All Hallows

A church of the pastorate of Our Lady of Penrhys



Tel	01443 421 929
Email	rhondda@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Fr Gareth Leyshon
Website	olov.org.uk
Correspondence Address	Meadow View, School Road, Miskin CF72 8PG
Sunday Mass	4pm
Holy Day Mass	Vigil Mass 6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Sun 3.30pm
Deanery	Our Lady of Penrhys

YSTRADGYNLAIS**Sacred Heart**

Pantyffynon Road, Ystradgynlais SA9 1EU

Served from Clydach - St Benedict

Tel	01792 842 244
Email	ystradgynlais@cardiffmenevia.org
Priest	Fr Saji Matthew Koottakithayil
Correspondence Address	41 Pontardawe Road, Clydach SA6 5NS
Sunday Mass	Sat Vigil Mass 4pm; Sun 11.30am
Holy Day Mass	6pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	See Newsletter
Deanery	St Teilo

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Port Talbot	Our Lady of Margam
	St Joseph
	St Thérèse of Lisieux
Swansea	St Joseph's Co-Cathedral
	Holy Cross
	Our Lady of Lourdes
	Our Lady Star of the Sea
	Sacred Heart
	St Benedict
	St David
	St Illtyd
	St Joachim & St Anne
	St Peter

St Julius & St Aaron

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Abertillery	St Mary
Blaenavon	Sacred Heart & St Felix
Brynmawr	St Mary
Caldicot	St Paul
Chepstow	St Mary
Cwmbran	Our Lady of the Angels
	St David
Ebbw Vale	All Saints
Llanarth	St Mary & St Michael
Monmouth	St Mary
Newbridge	Our Lady of Peace
Newport	All Saints
	St Patrick
Rhymney	St John
Risca	St Anthony of Padual & St Clare
Ross-on-Wye	St Frances of Rome
Pontllanfraith	Sacred Heart
Pontypool	St Alban
Tredegar	Immaculate Conception
Usk	St David Lewis & St Francis Xavier
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Builth Wells	Christ the King
Burry Port	Our Lady Star of the Sea
Carmarthen	St Mary
Clydach	St Benedict
Gorseinon	Blessed Sacrament
Kidwelly	Our Lady & St Cadoc
Knighton	Our Lady of Perpetual Succour & St Nicholas
Llandeilo	St David
Llandovery	Our Lady
Llandrindod Wells	Our Lady of Ransom & the Holy Souls
Llanelli	Our Lady Queen of Peace
Pontarddulais	St Bride
Pontyberem	Eglwys y Groes
Presteigne	Assumption of Our Lady & St Thérèse
Rhayader	St Francis of Assisi
Ystradgynlais	Sacred Heart

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Abercynon	2	0	0	0	0	5	80
Aberdare/Hirwaun/M. Ash	7	2	13	2	0	18	144
Abergavenny	5	1	11	9	8	15	201
Aberkenfig	10	0	13	0	0	4	33
Abertillery / Brynmawr	3	1	8	1	0	9	87
Aberystwyth/Aberaeron	10	3	11	1	1	11	266
Ammanford	1	7	3	1	1	4	81
Bargoed	0	0	0	0	0	7	21
Barry	11	6	25	8	2	14	257
Belmont Abbey	10	0	4	0	4	22	206
Brecon	2	4	0	0	0	3	104
Bridgend	36	8	27	24	5	14	401
Briton Ferry	2	0	0	23	1	6	106
Bromyard	2	0	6	0	0	3	88
Burry Port/Kidwelly	3	0	1	4	1	1	48
Caerphilly	8	1	18	11	2	11	224
Cardiff							
- Blessed Sacrament	2	0	8	0	0	6	242
- Christ the King	21	0	45	1	0	16	198
- St Alban on the Moors	84	3	17	31	9	31	392
- St John Lloyd	7	0	14	1	0	9	97
- St Joseph	28	2	26	0	1	17	355
- St Mary of the Angels	28	2	26	0	8	42	415
- St Patrick	8	0	16	0	1	20	200
- St Peter	34	5	26	27	10	25	532
- St Philip Evans	41	2	62	19	0	8	242
- St Brigid & St Paul	16	2	15	11	1	20	284
- St Francis of Assisi**	0	0	0	0	0	1	70
- Holy Family	11	0	3	0	1	8	193
- St Teilo with Our Lady	12	2	15	14	1	21	266
- St Cadoc*	17	2	19	23	0	55	420
- St David's Cathedral	2	3	0	0	3	1	375
Cardigan	4	0	0	2	0	4	63
Carmarthen	5	1	8	14	0	7	210
Chepstow	9	0	10	0	1	9	150
Clydach	4	2	20	14	1	7	124
Cwmbran*	63	0	23	0	10	41	315
Ebbw Vale	2	1	2	11	1	10	100
Fishguard/St David's	5	0	11	6	5	8	123
Glynneath	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Gorseinon	8	2	7	2	0	4	93

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Haverfordwest/Narberth	3	2	16	1	1	9	223
Hay-on-Wye	0	2	0	0	0	1	38
Hereford							
- St Francis Xavier	29	0	50	0	3	5	405
- Our Lady Queen of Martyrs	16	2	36	2	0	5	124
Knighton	0	0	1	1	0	0	24
Lampeter	0	0	0	0	1	1	58
Ledbury*	2	0	0	0	0	0	103
Leominster	6	0	14	2	2	7	70
Llanarth	0	0	2	0	0	2	28
Llandeilo	0	0	0	0	0	1	40
Llandovery	0	3	0	0	0	1	18
Llandrindod Wells	0	2	0	0	0	2	54
Llanelli	11	4	33	39	1	25	416
Llantrisant	7	1	16	0	3	9	175
Llantwit Major	2	0	0	0	0	7	107
Maesteg	8	0	10	0	2	12	80
Merthyr Tydfil							
- St Aloysius	10	0	20	10	0	16	64
- St Illtyd	6	0	18	0	0	15	150
- St Mary	21	0	26	0	1	47	189
Merthyr Vale	0	0	0	0	0	12	30
Milford Haven	1	1	0	0	0	7	84
Monmouth	2	0	2	0	0	4	94
Neath	7	0	9	4	2	16	167
Newbridge*	6	0	0	9	1	6	122
Newcastle Emlyn	0	0	0	0	0	2	17
Newport							
- All Saints	68	5	86	39	7	88	629
- St Patrick	16	0	35	10	2	33	197
- St David	7	0	0	0	1	4	115
- St Basil & St Gwladys	7	0	0	0	0	4	121
Pembroke Dock/Pembroke	0	0	0	0	0	4	70
Penarth/Dinas Powys	11	0	7	21	4	35	322
Pontarddulais	2	1	0	0	1	1	30
Pontyberem	0	0	0	0	0	1	17
Pontypool	12	0	3	0	0	8	45
Port Talbot							
- Our Lady of Margam	4	1	8	3	3	17	112
- St Joseph	5	0	11	15	3	18	247
- St Therese of Lisieux	6	0	0	12	2	10	106

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Presteigne	2	1	1	0	0	0	17
Rhayader	0	16	1	0	0	0	27
Rhondda	0	3	2	2	1	10	80
Rhymney	0	0	0	0	0	2	29
Ross-on-Wye	3	0	1	0	0	5	86
Swansea							
- Cathedral Church of St Joseph	12	33	12	2	3	13	241
- St David	9	1	12	3	1	17	368
- St Illtyd	0	1	3	0	0	6	63
- Ss Joachim & St Anne	5	0	5	0	1	3	220
- Holy Cross	16	0	31	15	2	9	281
- St Peter	1	0	7	8	0	1	57
- Sacred Heart	0	2	11	13	3	12	426
- Our Lady Star of the Sea	3	2	5	8	1	13	161
- St Benedict	3	0	10	0	0	7	214
- Our Lady of Lourdes	6	4	3	2	0	4	53
Tenby/Saundersfoot	4	0	7	0	1	6	138
Tredegar	4	0	13	0	0	10	50
Treforest	10	1	13	8	2	3	203
Usk	5	0	3	0	2	1	43
Weobley*	0	0	0	0	0	2	60
Ystradgynlais	1	2	4	2	1	1	96
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1969	Cashin , Patrick (Retired)	Watson , Canon Paul	
1970	Dalton , Mgr Desmond (Retired)	1996	McGrath , Timothy
1971	O'Gorman , Canon Patrick (Retired)	1997	Jones , Canon Jason
	Reardon , Mgr Canon Robert (Retired)		Patterson , Ross (Retired)
1973	Cefai , Mgr Canon Joseph (Retired)	1998	Brophy , Paul
1975	Flook , Canon Michael (Retired)		Gray , Brian
1977	James , Nicholas		Paine , Kevin
1978	Jones , Canon Matthew	2001	Mathew , Saji
1980	Kelly , Canon John Martin	2005	Evans , Neil
	O'Connell , Canon Edward (Retired)	2007	Wiltshire , Adrian
1981	Bord , Andrea		Leyshon , Gareth
1982	Evans , Canon Michael P.	2008	Harries , Phillip
	Hennessy , Liam	2009	Kuklinski , Andrzej
	O'Donnell , David (Retired)		Smith , Canon Michael (Retired)
1983	Davies Hale , Allan (Retired)	2013	Bradley , Liam
	Griffiths , Canon John		Usher , Mansel
1987	St Claire , Michael Walter (Retired)	2014	Doyle , Michael
1988	Boardman , Mgr Canon Joseph		Evans , Keith
1989	English , Canon Barry	2015	Browne , John
1990	Millar , Paul BSc	2016	Tredget , Dermot (1987) (Retired)
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1993	Donnelly , Martin		Stanton , Daniel
	Thomas , John Patrick	2018	Davies , Peter
1994	Jones , Sebastian		James , Robert
	Valummelmalayil , Canon Pius Augustine		Roche-Saunders , Matthew
1995	Hayman , Canon David Anthony		Williams , Nicholas
		2019	Bryce , Laurence
		2020	Davies , Robert
		2022	Hanson , Elliott
		2023	Beckett , Gregory
		2024	Cutlan , Dale
		2025	Williams , Illtyd

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Bishops and Archbishops

February

28 Michael McGrath 1961

March

6 James Hannigan 1994

6 Peter Smith 2020

13 Francis Vaughan 1935

27 John Aloysius Ward 2007

April

12 Thomas Joseph Brown OSB 1880

26 Daniel Hannon 1946

May

9 Mark Jabalé OSB 2025

June

2 John Petit 1973

19 James Romanus Bilsborrow OSB 1931

July

26 Langton Fox 1997

October

25 Francis Mostyn 1939

November

1 Daniel Joseph Mullins 2019

11 John Cuthbert Hedley OSB 1895

18 John Aloysius Murphy 1995

Priests & Permanent Deacons 1950-2025

January

2 Patrick J. Kelly 1978

2 Edward Lunt 1969

8 John E. Quinn 1951

8 Leopold Cunningham 1954

11 Andrew Maggs 2005

14 David O'Flynn 1994

17 Hugh Healy 1984

18 Basil Dolan 1960

19 Joseph Purcell 1971

21 Joseph Albert Thompson 1976

25 Patrick Creed 2000

27 Thomas Joseph

Dove-Nowell 1996

30 Seamus Brennan 1976

February

4 Thomas Keane 2015

5 Bernard Norris 2017

7 Francis Morris 1990

8 Stanley Vince 2000

8 Raymond O'Shea 2021

10 Eric Green 1967

10 Trevor Driscoll 1988

10 Pierce Maher 2011

14 Harry Holwell 2020

15 Patrick Murray 1991

16 Francis X. Thompson 1955

17 John Joseph Cashman 1986

19 Gerald Holdcroft 1983

19 Luke Delaney 2000

20 Thomas Roche 1968

20 Josef Becker 1986

26 Vaughan R. M. Beddoes 1971

28 Patrick Daly 2021

March

2 John James Thomas 2018

3 William Lloyd 1991

6 John Moran 1981

7 Thomas Nulty 2004

9 Joseph Geraghy 1972

9 Brendan McNamee 1990

10 Evan Hope 1944

15 Michael Lewis 2025

22 John Milan 1981

23 Sylvester Baron 1951

23 Cornelius Reidy 1990

25 Laurence O'Brien 1999

26 Francis Murphy 2006

27 Sean Clancy 2015

28 William Isaac 2021

April

4 Paul Chidgey 2011

6 William Morris 1991

6 Felix Connolly 2004

6 Patrick Kerrisk 2012

8 Patrick Shannon 1956

8 Oswald Murphy 1982

9	James O'Reilly	1977
10	Frederick Furniss	1956
14	Dermot Clancy	1998
15	Adolf Evans	1982
15	Michael Donnellan	2012
15	John McLoughlin	1998
16	Paul Sartori	1980
15	Michael Lewis	2025
16	Bernard Whitehouse	2002
22	Richard Byron	2021
24	Stanley Luff	1992
26	Ivor Daniel	1963
26	Gregory Matus	2010

May

3	David Crowley	1963
4	Eric Wastell	2021
10	Francis O'Donnell	2010
10	Geoffrey Beach	2010
12	Patrick O'Connell	1991
13	David Lewis	1989
16	James Mitchell	1968
20	Austin Pozzi	1971
20	John Coffey	1980
20	John Rohan	1994
23	Charles Wall	2003
24	Nicholas Jenkins	2023
31	Jean Jacque Pochard	1954

June

5	James Mulvihill	2011
7	William Boxall	2016
9	Eammon Moran	1992
20	John Brady	1975
21	Bernard Joseph Egan	1993
26	Harding Rees	2017
27	Francis Slater	2024

July

1	Patrick O'Rourke	1958
1	Thomas Williams	1968
2	Edmund J. Kelly	1974
5	Michael Fewell	2021
7	James Morrissey	2013
12	Patrick Fitzsimmons	1991
13	Colin Henneberry	1997
14	Sean Kearney	2016
18	John Coghlan	1987
19	Maurice Newman	1982
19	James Boyle	1997
19	Michael Hagerty	2011
26	Clive Loosemore	2005

August

2	John Dermody	2008
4	Gerald Chidgey	2005
5	John O'Flaherty	1999
6	Joseph Brunton	1967
6	Francis Scalpell	1970
6	Francis Mulvey	2014
7	John O'Leary	1990
8	Michael O'Donovan	2005
9	Joseph Billington	1961
10	Patrick J. Gibbons	1990
11	David O'Keefe	2025
16	Basil Rowlands	1973
16	Noel Williams	2014
18	Patrick Daly	2010
19	Michael Patrick Murphy	1995
21	Patrick Collins	1982
23	Pierce J. Nolan	1958
25	Thomas Eadsforth	1953

September

1	Anthony Earle	1976
2	Sean Seddon	1993
3	William Connery	1985
4	Michael Ryan	1976
4	Daniel Williams	2011
10	Albert Barling	1974
15	Phillip McAuliffe	1994
16	Oswald Lofthouse	1985
16	Liam Shore	2025
17	William O'Connor	1990
18	William Cubley	1973
19	Joseph Jackson	1989
20	Arthur Smallwood	1975
21	Rowland Evans	2002
25	Michael Burke	2022
27	John Crowe	1991

October

3	Robert Towers Perkins	1982
3	Terence Anthony Shaw	1992
3	John Maguire	2024
6	Francis Cashman	1974
6	Sylvester O'Donnell	2011
6	Seamus Cunnane	2021
9	John Mullin	2021
10	Seamus O'Higgins	1979
13	Martin McCormack	1984
14	David Bottrill	2017
15	Edward Keegan	1979
15	Peter Flanagan	2007
16	Michael Keegan	1991
19	Albin Kaltenbach	1971

19	James Howard	1975	28	John Kenneth Hughes	2003
21	James Donnelly	1974	28	J.H.Volan Evans	2005
24	Patrick Crowley	1991	28	Owen McGreal	2023

November

2	Donal Gillespie	2014
2	Michael Cronin	2018
2	Michael Ronan	2020
6	Wilfred Brodie	1963
8	William Browne	1990
8	Paul Logue	1982
10	John Noonan	1969
11	Gerald Cullen	2015
12	Ambrose Walsh	2020
13	Thomas Brennan	2000
14	William Daly	2003
14	Philip Dwyer	2011
16	Ieuan Wyn Jones	2010
20	Thomas Dunne	2001
27	Edmund Mullins	2019
28	Thomas Turner	1988

December

1	Dewi Davies	2007
2	John B. O'Connell	1977
2	Bonaventure Welsford	2000
5	George Anwyll	1977
5	Peter Kelly	2019
11	John Tole	1962
12	John Owen	2018
15	Michael Finlan	1999
24	Liam Wilcock	1979
24	John Fahy	2008
25	Denis Torney	2007
26	John Meredith	2013
27	Martin Delaney	1997
28	John O'Regan	2016
29	Michael Martin	2001
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OBITUARIES
**Bishop Mark Jabalé OSB
1933-2025**


Bishop Mark Jabalé, monk of Belmont Abbey for 73 years and Bishop Emeritus of Menevia, died on 5th June 2025, aged 91.

Born Jean Pierre Jabalé on 16th October 1933 in Alexandria, Egypt, to a Lebanese/French father and British/Greek/French mother, he was related through his mother, Arlette, to St Jean Vianney. His father, Jean, was MD of Fiat and Simca cars Europe. The young Jean came to England with ambitions to join the Navy, attending Belmont Abbey School, but the Lord had other plans – he joined the monastery instead, with one monk famously predicting he wouldn't last a month.

After studies in Fribourg and Strawberry Hill, where he played rugby and was affectionately known as the “Papist Witch Doctor”, he was ordained and taught at Belmont, serving as Housemaster, acting Headmaster, and later Headmaster. He also served as Headmaster of Alderwasley Hall in Derbyshire. In 1983 he travelled to Peru to establish the monastery's first foundation there, a mission that remained close to his heart. He returned to fundraise before being appointed Prior of Belmont in 1986 and was elected Abbot in 1993.

As Abbot, he faced the difficult task of presiding over the school's closure. In 2000 he was appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Menevia, succeeding Bishop Mullins in 2001 and serving until his retirement in 2008. He subsequently served as parish priest in Chipping Norton and Hendon, assisting with confirmations and saying Mass for religious communities. He lived for a time at Archbishop's House, Westminster, with his great friend Cardinal Nichols, before returning home to Belmont, where he loved praying the Office with the community.

Beyond his ecclesiastical duties, Bishop Mark was renowned for his extraordinary contribution to rowing. Despite never having sat in a boat, he learnt “from books, mainly” and went on to coach Oxford and transform Henley Royal Regatta by writing a computer programme for race results – well ahead of his time. In 1979, his coxless lightweight four won gold at the world championships in Bled, a triumph that almost didn't happen when funding was withdrawn at the last minute. His determination and ability to inspire others to achieve their best became legendary.

Bishop Mark's life was characterised by his zest for living, his love of good food and wine shared with friends, his passion for rugby (especially the French team, and the Welsh too), and his rock-solid faith – nothing overly pious or showy, but built on granite. He had a gift for leadership and teaching, creating lasting bonds of friendship and loyalty. His purpose, simply put, was to bring the joy of the Lord into the lives of others.

In his final years, he bore age and disability with patience and grace, supported lovingly by his monastic community. One friend's young son, upon hearing the Pope had died, believed it was Bishop Mark, asking if Mark would be Pope next – a story that delighted him. When Bishop Mark himself died, the boy picked flowers from the garden to bring to church, wanting to show how much he meant to him.

He is survived by his brothers Christian and Paul, nieces Aline, Nathalie and Isabelle and their families, and the monastic community of Belmont Abbey.

Mgr Michael Lewis 1947 – 2025



Mgr Clyde Hughes Johnson remembers

Michael Robert Lewis was born in North London and, at a young age, moved with his family to Bristol. Following school, he chose to go to rural Wales to study for a degree at UCW Lampeter and then the College of Librarianship in Aberystwyth. He had a phenomenal memory of the many books he read and also retained a clear judgement of each one. He was a walking Wikipedia.

In 1969 he became a Catholic and, in due course, offered himself for the priesthood in the Diocese of Menevia. He studied at Wonersh, an establishment he esteemed highly. Ordained in 1977, he served as curate in Rhyl and Flint and always regarded these as paradigms of what a Catholic parish should be.

In 1986, he was appointed Parish Priest of Burry Port but pined for the north. And so he was transferred back to what was now the Diocese of Wrexham and appointed to Queen's Park, Wrexham, an area with significant social problems.

Three years later, the Chancellor of Menevia arranged for his transfer back south to Brecon, where he felt more at home. Using his scholarly gifts, he wrote a well researched history of the Brecon Catholic community which had somehow survived since the Reformation.

Eventually, in 2004, he was moved to Llandrindod Wells where his mother had retired. Here, finally, he found his true niche and enjoyed a congregation who appreciated his many gifts and rode easily with his determined opinions, his quirky sense of humour and his particular version of liturgical propriety.

He suffered a devastating car accident at the age of 75 on the eve of retirement and almost lost his life. He pulled through but from then on his health was ruined. He struggled bravely onwards, despite much pain and disability, driving around his electric buggy until, finally, his heart gave way in the ongoing struggle.

He had been a faithful servant of Menevia, serving as Chancellor, advisor to many Bishops counsellor to the clergy and, indeed, their champion when called upon with his knowledge of Canon Law.

One dominant but largely hidden feature of his life was his pride in his Jewish ancestry, via his father's family. One Jewish relative said, "You know more about our faith than we do". One of his last wishes had been to write a spiritual reflection on the Holocaust; a brave man.

He was truly loved and respected by many friends, especially among the clergy, knowing now that we are unlikely to have such a knowledgeable, conscientious and supportive colleague again.

Deacon David O'Keefe 1950 - 2025



David O'Keefe was born on 10th June 1950. From an early age, he heard the call to serve, starting as an altar boy at the age of 10 and serving in this capacity at St Mary's Church, Merthyr for some 65 years.

After leaving school, he trained as an accountant and over the course of his professional career, worked for a number of major firms across South Wales including Hoover and Ford. In 1998, he commenced studies in Applied Theology at the Maryvale Institute, Birmingham and five years later applied for Archdiocese's Diaconate Programme. He was ordained as a Permanent Deacon on 24th June 2006.

As Abbot Bredan Thomas reflected at David's Requiem Mass, "His preaching, his baptising, his service at the altar—all of it was love in action. He cared for prisoners not as cases but as children of God. He cared for parishioners not as duties but as brothers and sisters. He cherished his family not as possessions but as treasures entrusted to him."

David leaves behind wife Pat, children Chris and Richard and grandchildren Anna and Kate.

Fr Liam Shore 1936 - 2025



Mgr Finbarr O'Leary remembers

The death of Fr. Liam J. Shore took place at the Sacred Heart Nursing Home in Crosspatrick, Co Kilkenny on the 16th of September 2025. He was born into the family of William and Elizabeth Shore, of Kiltown, Castletomer with his brother Robert, and sister Johanna. According to his wishes his body has been donated to medical science teaching and research to University College Dublin. In lieu of any donations instead of flowers, he left instructions that the proceeds may be sent to the Friends of the District Hospital, Castletomer.

I first met Liam as a mature student at Mt Melleray Seminary Co. Waterford in September 1958 where we both took the two-year pre-seminary, with our main subjects being Latin and English. It was in this same year that a priest from the Archdiocese of Cardiff, Canon Reidy came to the college to recruit students for the priesthood. Six students enlisted of which Liam was one of them. Following his studies in philosophy he studied theology at St John's College Waterford and was ordained priest in June 1967.

Fr. Liam's first appointment was to the parish of St. Mary's Merthyr Tydfil. After some years he was chosen to become parish priest of Abercynon. With time on his hands in this rather small parish, he decided to enlist in the Cardiff Institute to become qualified as a social worker. In recognition of his newfound skills, Archbishop Murphy appointed him as a chaplain to Cardiff prison. When on holidays Fr Liam used to ask me to provide him with a supply ministry. There I was informed of the quality of his pastoral care and gentle wry sense of humour, which brought a light into the gloomy walls and iron railings of the prison cells.

Due to rather poor health Fr Liam retired to Ireland and lived at Bowden's Court. He helped out both in his local parish of Castlecomer and the district hospital where he was chaplain. He was a member of Eiren's Own, the local G.A.A. club where he offered many years of service. He always took a lively interest in local and national politics which invariably entered his conversations. His decision to donate his body to the service of medical science reveals his spirit of generosity which characterized Fr. Liam.

While he will be sadly missed by family, friends and neighbours, his smile, laughter and gentleness has left the world a better place than he found it. Eternal rest grant into him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.



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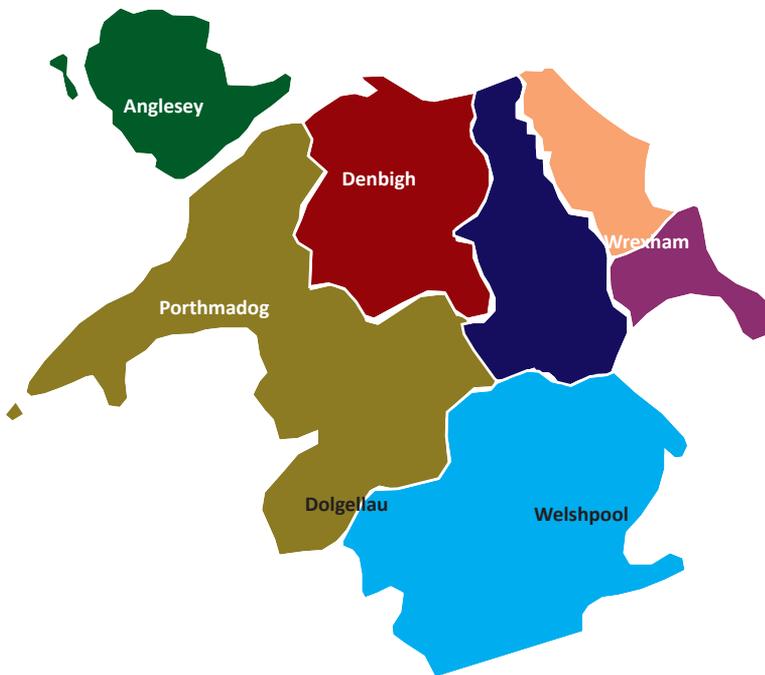
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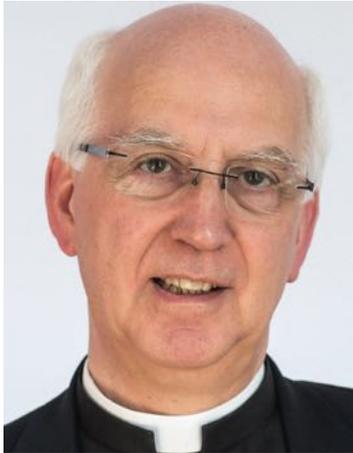
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Foreword

Every year has its moments of *Hail and Farewell*, taking the Liturgical year as the beginning of 2025 i.e. the First Sunday of Advent it began with the sad death of Deacon James Lee of Abergele Parish and whose obituary can be found at the end of the Wrexham section of the Yearbook. Other departures during the year have been the well deserved retirement of Canon Francis Doyle from the parish of Buckley and more recently the transfer of Father Leo Philomin, OMI from the Anglesey Mission to the Oblate's House in Dublin. During the year we have also been pleased to welcome Father Michael Madu and Father Savi Menachery, CMI to be parochial administrators in parishes of Dolgellau and Bangor respectively. However the Diocese ended the year

still with minus three priests meaning that many weekend Masses have had to be celebrated by supply priests, to whom we are most grateful for their generous service. The position though indicates there are to be further reduction of Masses and even churches in parts of the Diocese. One of the urgent needs I have to address is a new Pastoral Plan that takes account of the ever changing population picture across much of Wales, especially the rural north and also mid and the south west. Though most of mid and south west Wales is not our direct concern it does influence us as evidenced in the creation and promulgation of the new Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia at the beginning of 2025. The Province now returning to be just two dioceses, affectively North Wales and South Wales. We commit our continued support and prayer for Metropolitan Archbishop Mark O'Toole as he leads the Catholic Church in Wales.

Part of the blue print and structure of that new Pastoral Plan must be the Final Document of the XVI ordinary general Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, *For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission* and its implementation. It is against that document that future *ad limina* reports and visit by bishops and the life of the church throughout the world will be oriented. Here there is much work to be done by us all in the Diocese, Parishes and our own lives. In his final greeting to the Synod, P. Francis reiterated his task of protecting and promoting harmony '*the dissemination of the Spirit in God's church*' ... '*despite all the efforts, tensions and divisions that mark its journey toward the full manifestation of the Kingdom of God, which the prophet Isaiah asks us to imagine as a banquet God will prepare for all people.*' (P.Francis 26th October 2024) This is a task that falls to us all and for it we have been strengthened through the observance of the Jubilee Year opened two months later.

The 29th December 2024 marked the opening of the Jubilee Year for the churches across the world. A jubilee year given the theme of *Pilgrims of Hope* by Pope Francis which he opening in Rome just days earlier. Quoting S. Paul writing to the Romans , P. Francis said 'Hope does not disappoint' (Romans 5:5); by that we are to live our lives and to bring the new life that hope gives to the worlds of which we are part.

Part of the fresh hope given to the Diocese was the coming of Fr. Savi Menachery, CMI and Fr. Michael Madu of the Nigerian diocese of Ahiara in the early summer; and of the ordination to the Diaconate of David Tarbrook as well to as the Final Profession (Solemn Vows) of Sr. Katherine, OCD at Dolgellau Carmel. To all four we repeat our thanks for the

blessing they are to the diocese and renew our prayer for them in their ministry and fulfilment of their vocation, as well as to pray for further vocations to priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

During the course of the Jubilee Year we had the annual Diocesan celebrations for Altar Servers, the Sick, Marriage Jubilarians and Family Life (Marriage Mass), the International Community that now forms a large part of many of the Parishes, those who serve in any way the justice system (Legal Mass) of our country, the visitors who come to Wales for the International and then national Eisteddfods, carers of the sick and infirm (Healthcarers/Medical Mass) in hospitals, hospices, institutions and in their own homes, our Young People. Added to those were the Pilgrim Masses at the Shrine of S.Winefride and her Well for the Year Six pupils of our Catholic primary schools, and for the National pilgrimage. Also the celebration of S. Richard Gwyn at the Cathedral, and S.John Roberts in Dolgellau. While not as grand or numerous as the celebrations in Rome each of these occasions had the celebration of Jubilee at their heart and the reminder that we are 'Pilgrims of Hope' in the diversity of our daily lives in the culture and society in which we live our faith.

For so many the joy of Easter was tinged with the sorrow of the death of P. Francis, but then enlivened again with fresh hope with the election of P. Leo XIV who during the following months has been to set out the direction of his pontificate, building on the very word itself from the Latin, '*pont*' meaning 'bridge' and '*facere*' meaning 'make' giving 'bridge-builder'. From his homilies, and addresses he has focused on peace, justice, social equality, brought about through reconciliation and the recognition of human dignity. He has also spoken strongly about environmental stewardship, and Christian community.

2025 began with the hope that the necessary repairs to the fabric of S. Mary's Cathedral would with the help of grant funding get underway. It is many years now that the need to replace the floor of the Cathedral and to deal with a number of other associated repair and maintenance issues had been identified. Some grant funding had been allocated, but with more needed and not forthcoming the project has again had to be postponed. This is a huge disappointment, that despite the great of Fr Nicholas and the Cathedral team the work cannot proceed until more commitments to give substantial grants can be attracted. Across the country this is seen as an almost unrealistic challenge as more places of worship are recognised as having significant historical, architectural and environmental importance and interest as evidenced by their being declared 'Listed Buildings' by government and yet without any parallel commitment to assist with their upkeep. In 2025 a further seven of our churches across the Diocese have been given Listed Building status, the complete list can be seen near the beginning of this Year Book in the Province pages, 'Listed Churches.'

As ever I am most grateful to all who have contributed to the compilation of this year's Directory and Yearbook. Particular thanks go to the Curial staff who strive tirelessly to serve the Diocese and maintain the usefulness of this Provincial publication in print as well as to those who populate and monitor the digital face of the Diocese. In conjunction with the Diocesan website which grows as a source of up-to-date information and inspiration by the day, together -Yearbook, website and CLARION- become more and more an arm of the Diocese's commitment to evangelisation. No publication, no technology can do more than we ourselves in reading, re-reading and reading again the Gospels; living what we have learnt and sharing by proclamation with joy what we believe. Do please continue to use the God Who Speaks website (godwhospeaks.uk) where you will find an ever fresh and informative opening-up of the Bible for young and old alike.

Pope Francis in his Final Greeting to the members and participants at the 17th General Congregation of the Synod of the warned against rigidity. Quoting Madeleine Delbr el, the mystic of the peripheries he said, ‘Above all, do not be rigid’ – rigidity is a sin, a sin which sometime gets into the hearts of the clergy and of consecrated men and women.’ (26th October 2024). It could well be the watchword for us all in 2026 as we realistically face the challenges that will necessitate change and give greater life to the Diocese, or as S.John Henry Newman, recently declared Doctor of the Church wrote: ‘To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often.’ ‘Growth is the only evidence of life.’ ‘Fear not that thy life shall come to an end, but rather that it shall never have a beginning.’

I continue to pray for you, your families and our communities that 2026 be a year of peace, joy and blessing and I look forward to seeing in your parishes and at all our Diocesan events to which you are of course entitled to attend without further invitation.

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David Tarbrook Ordained to the Permanent Diaconate

On 14th June 2025, parishioners and clergy from across the Diocese of Wrexham and beyond gathered at St Mary's Cathedral, Wrexham, to celebrate the ordination of David Tarbrook to the permanent diaconate. The ordination Mass was celebrated by the Rt Rev Peter M. Brignall, Bishop of Wrexham, who welcomed David into this new ministry of service within the Church.

David's ordination is the fruit of four years of study and formation undertaken with the Northern Diaconal Formation Partnership and Loyola University. The liturgy was a joyful and prayerful occasion, marked by the presence of family, friends, clergy, and parishioners who came together to witness this important moment in the life of both David and the wider diocesan community.

Among those attending were David's mother, Janet, his four children — Tom, Sally, Lewis, and Louise — and his grandchildren, Darcie and Reggie, who joined the congregation in celebrating this milestone in his journey of faith.



David will now exercise his diaconal ministry in the parish of St Richard Gwyn, which serves the churches of Chirk, Llangollen, and Ruabon. He follows in the footsteps of his late father, Rev John Tarbrook, who was ordained a Permanent Deacon by Bishop Aloysius Ward at Ruabon in 1980.

In addition to his new ministry, David continues to serve the diocese as Communications Officer, a role in which many already know him. His ordination is not only a personal milestone, but also a moment of great joy for the whole diocese, as the permanent diaconate continues to grow and flourish in service of the Gospel.

The Diocese of Wrexham currently has three men in formation for the Permanent Diaconate. We keep them in our prayers, asking that more men may generously answer the Lord's call to serve His Church through the Priesthood, Permanent Diaconate, and Religious Life.



Eisteddfod Mass Celebrated at St Mary's Cathedral, Wrexham

On Thursday 7th August, the Diocese of Wrexham was proud to host the Eisteddfod Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, a celebration which drew parishioners and visitors from across the diocese and beyond. The cathedral was filled as people from every corner of Wales came together, reflecting the strong bond between faith, language, and culture that is at the heart of the Welsh Catholic community.

The Mass was a truly special occasion. Bishop Peter Brignall, Bishop of Wrexham, presided from the chair, while Bishop Emeritus Edwin Regan was principal celebrant, offering the Mass in the Welsh language. Their presence together highlighted the continuity and shared mission of the Catholic Church in Wales. The liturgy itself was rich in tradition, with the prayers, readings, and hymns offered in Welsh, allowing those gathered to pray and worship in the language of their heritage.

Adding to the sense of unity, ministers from other Christian denominations were present and took part in the celebration. Their attendance underlined the ecumenical spirit that continues to grow in Wales, where different communities of faith recognise the importance of celebrating together in moments of national and cultural significance.

The music and singing gave the Mass a particularly festive character, with traditional Welsh hymns resounding through the cathedral. Many remarked how moving it was to hear the language of Wales so beautifully woven into the liturgy, expressing both the faith and cultural identity of the people.

The Eisteddfod Mass stands as an annual reminder of the Church's deep connection with the Welsh language and culture. It was not only a celebration of the Holy Mass but also of the heritage, unity, and identity of the Catholic community in Wales.

As the congregation departed, there was a strong sense of joy and thanksgiving — that faith and culture, so deeply intertwined, had once again been honoured in such a fitting and prayerful way.



National Pilgrimage to St Winefride's Shrine, Holywell



On Sunday 22nd June, Bishop Peter Brignall led the annual National Pilgrimage to St Winefride's Shrine, Holywell, accompanied by clergy from across the Diocese of Wrexham. This centuries-old tradition once again drew hundreds of pilgrims from all parts of the diocese and beyond, united in prayer at one of the most significant places of Catholic devotion in Wales.



The pilgrimage opened with a solemn procession from the Catholic Church of St Winefride down to the historic shrine. At its heart was the relic of St Winefride, carried with great reverence, and accompanied by banners and a statue of the saint. As the pilgrims walked, they lifted their voices in praying the Holy Rosary, making their way together to the holy site — a place long cherished as a wellspring of prayer, healing, and renewal.

At the shrine, Bishop Peter was joined by clergy in celebrating Mass in honour of St Winefride, whose faith, courage, and witness continue to inspire devotion more than thirteen centuries after her martyrdom. Her story, of a young woman whose faith was tested through violence and suffering, yet who was raised up by God, continues to speak powerfully in every age.

Following the Mass, pilgrims joined in the traditional procession around St Winefride's Well, venerating the relic of the saint and seeking her intercession. Many took time for quiet prayer at the well, a site where countless pilgrims through the ages have found strength, consolation, and healing.

For centuries, the shrine at Holywell has been regarded as one of the oldest continually visited pilgrimage sites in Britain. Pilgrims have travelled here in times of joy and of need, leaving behind tokens of their prayers and thanksgiving. In recent years, the shrine has also been recognised as a place of sanctuary for women fleeing sexual violence and abuse, drawing on St Winefride's own story as a source of strength and solidarity. In this way, the shrine remains not only a place of historical devotion, but also of living pastoral care, where the wounded find welcome and the vulnerable discover hope.

The pilgrimage once again highlighted the enduring significance of St Winefride as a figure of faith for the people of Wales, and the shrine at Holywell as a place of grace, sanctuary, and encounter with God.



Saint David's Church and Divine Retreat Centre, Pantasaph, Holywell, Flintshire

I welcome this opportunity to tell you a little about Saint David's parish church and the Divine Retreat Centre at Pantasaph, near Holywell. We hope it will inspire you to make a visit to this place of worship and pilgrimage, joining in with our regular programme throughout the year. We are open to people from all backgrounds and denominations. Beyond being a collection of historical buildings and grounds, this is a special place of hospitality, a place of prayer, and a place of worship.

Divine UK Ministries is a mission of the Vincentian Congregation, inspired by the spiritual vision of Saint Vincent de Paul. As well as being a parish of the Wrexham diocese, we hold monthly residential retreats over the weekend, healing services, spiritual renewal, intercession and media evangelization (for details, please visit our YouTube channel @DivineUKOfficial or @pantasaph; visit our website www.pantasaph.org or Facebook [divineretreatcentrepantasaph](https://www.facebook.com/divineretreatcentrepantasaph)).

Every first Saturday of each month, we hold a one-day healing convention at Pantasaph (from 10.00 a.m. until 3.00 p.m.).

The Divine Retreat Centre at Pantasaph is one of 76 retreat centres around the world, run by the Vincentian priests. The Divine Retreat Centre in Kerala, India, is recognized as the largest Catholic retreat centre in the world, having attracted several millions people to a deep spiritual renewal. The Divine Retreat Centre at Pantasaph is an integral part of this worldwide community.

Saint David's church is a Grade II* listed church, completed in 1852 and is the only church in Wales designed with significant involvement of A.W.N. Pugin. In addition to being the National Shrine for Saint Padre Pio, the extensive and peaceful grounds feature Our Lady's Grotto and the hillside Calvary Way, featuring the Stations of the Cross. A special indulgence is granted to all who devoutly visit this Calvary Way Stations of the Cross.



Walkers on the North Wales Pilgrim's Way, a 135 - mile marked walking route between Basingwerk Abbey (near Holywell) in the east and Bardsey Island (off the Llyn peninsula) in the west, call here.

In the past few months, we have had significant events at the centre. During the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in August, we held a candlelit Holy Mass celebration and a solemn Rosary Adoration at Our Lady's Grotto. This was the first time we held a Marian night. A significant number of people, just over 300 attended the service, reflecting on the Mother's place in our discipleship journey.

In September 2025, a full day Deliverance Convention for the Feast Days of Saints Padre Pio and Vincent de Paul was held, attracting approximately 1,250 visitors for the one-day service. Coaches came from great distances including Swindon, London, Leicester, Leeds and Manchester.

The grounds of the centre attract a lot of visitors who come to soak in the calming ambiance of the place. They might not necessarily be churchgoers but they are drawn to the spirituality soothing presence in the place.

People feel united to the life and beauty of the gardens and the green spaces. The language of the Lord is spoken through delicate beauty and diversity. God is the ultimate source of all beauty which touches our hearts and minds.

The gardens are a work in progress but offers an ambiance of prayer and quietness.

Marriage and Family Life Commission

Mission:

"To serve, support and affirm Family Life in the Catholic Diocese of Wrexham through prayer, action and celebration.

Through the intercession of the Virgin Mother of God and St Joseph may the Lord God establish our families firmly in his grace."

Advent Family Day

On the first Sunday of Advent we gather for a free fun event which includes family craft activities eg creating an advent wreath to take home. We conclude with a joyful Family Friendly Service. Booking is essential.

Celebration of Marriage Mass

Every year in February around Marriage week we meet together to celebrate Marriage. Bishop Peter leads us to renew our marriage vows and we acknowledge special anniversaries 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th and 60th plus. Light refreshments including our anniversary cake are served after mass. Everyone is welcome.

Marriage Preparation

Please, let us know if you are getting married as we can advise you on local marriage preparation courses, available face to face or online.

Grandparents Day

A fun day to explore grandparenting and get to know each other, concluding with Mass led by Bishop Peter. Light refreshments are available. Booking is essential.

Volunteering

If you would like to support us in any way in this important work please get in touch.

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(incorporating the former Well and Museum Committees)
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Mr Steve Sidlow
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Recommendation 4 - A Programme for Action.

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Chair – Mrs Josey Snowdon

c/o Bishops House, Sontley Road, Wrexham LL13 7EW T: 01978 262726

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Administrator who can be contacted at curia.admin@rcdwxm.org.uk

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WREXHAM

(+) 1 CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF
OUR LADY OF SORROWS
Regent Street (1857)

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E: secretarywrexhamcathedral@rcdwxm.org.uk

W: www.wrexhamcathedral.org.uk



Clergy: Rev Fr Nicholas Enzama AJ, (Cathedral Dean),
Regent Street, Wrexham LL11 1RB
Permanent Deacons:
Rev. Michael Schoonjans T: 01978 290218
Rev. Steve Davies T: 01978 722569

Services: Sun Mass 10.30am and 7pm
Hdys Mass 9am, 12 noon and 7pm
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

2 (+) COEDPOETH, THE HOLY FAMILY,
Queen's Place, Park Road, LL11 3SE
(Off High St) (1991). Served from Wrexham No. 1.



Services: Sun Mass 9.00am
Hdys Mass at the Cathedral
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

ABERGELE, Conwy

1 (+) ST THERESE OF LISIEUX,
Dundonald Avenue (1934).

T: 01745 833249

E: priestabergele@rcdwxm.org.uk



Clergy: Rev Fr John Bosco Bukomba (AJ), 1 Clwyd Avenue, Abergele, Conwy LL22 7NF
Permanent Deacons:
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T: 07990 923911
Rev David Gozzard, Craig Dulas, Rhyd –y –Foel Road, Llanddulas, Conwy, LL22
8EG T: 01492 516418

Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 4.30pm. Sun Mass 9.30am
Hdys 10.00am
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

2 (+) TOWYN, CHRIST THE KING, Gors Road LL22 9LU (1974).
Served from Abergele.



Services: Sun Mass 11.00am
Hdys Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

AMLWCH, Anglesey
1 (+) OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA AND ST WIN EFRIDE,
Bull Bay Road (1935).
Served from Beaumaris

T: 01407 521393

E: priestanglesey@rcdwxm.org.uk
E: asstpriestanglesey@rcdwxm.org.uk
W: www.catholicchurchesanglesey.org.uk

St. Joseph's Presbytery, Lloches, Bull Bay Road, Amlwch, Anglesey LL68 9EA

Services: See website www.catholicchurchesanglesey.org.uk
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

2 (+) BENLLECH, OUR LADY OF LOURDES,
Benllech, Beach Road. LL74 8SW (1965). Served from Beaumaris.

T: 01407 521393

W: www.catholicchurchesanglesey.org.uk

Services: Sun Mass - See Website www.catholicchurchesanglesey.org.uk
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

BALA, In the parish of Bala & Dolgellau
(+) OUR LADY OF FATIMA,
High Street (1948)



T: 01766 830111
E: priestblaenau@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Fr Ian Dagleish

Services: During winter Mass every Thursday at 12 noon
During Summer Mass Saturday at 5.00pm
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

BANGOR, Gwynedd in the parish of Bangor & Caernarfon
(+) OUR LADY AND ST JAMES
(1827; 1834; new Church 1866; 1996), Holyhead Road



T: 01248 370421
E: priestbangor@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr Adrian Morrin (Parish Priest)
Rev Fr Saviour Menachery, (Parochial Administrator) Ty Mair, Menai Avenue,
Bangor, LL57 2HH

Services: Sun Mass 10.00am & 5.00pm
Hdys Mass 10.00am & 7.00pm
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

BARMOUTH, Gwynedd

1 (+) ST. TUDWAL, King Edward Street
(Con. 1909).

T: 0134 1280489



E: priestbarmouth@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy:

St Tudwal, King Edward Street, Barmouth LL42 1PE.

Services:

Sun Mass 11.00am

Hdys - Please refer to notices

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

2 (+) HARLECH, ST DAVID IN SEION, Harlech.**Services:**

Sat First Mass of Sun 6.00pm

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

BEAUMARIS, Anglesey

1 (+) OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS,
(1898, 1910). (Oblates of Mary Immaculate).
Rating Row, Beaumaris



T: 01407 521393

E: priestanglesey@rcdwxm.org.uk or
asstpriestanglesey@rcdwxm.org.uk

W: www.catholicchurchanglesey.org.uk

Clergy:

Rev Fr Godfrey Joel Emmanuel (OMI) (Moderator)

Rev Fr Lylie Fernando (OMI) (Assistant Moderator)

Rating Row, Beaumaris, Anglesey LL58 8AL.

Services:

Sat Mass 6.00pm

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

LLANGFN, Anglesey

2(+ ST JOSEPH, Penmynydd Road, (1942; 1951, New Church Cons. 1971)
Served from Beaumaris O.M.I



W: www.catholicchurchanglesey.org.uk

Services:

Sun Mass See Parish Website

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

BLAENAU FFESTINIOG, Gwynedd

1 (+) ST MARY MAGDALENE,
High Street (1969). LL41 3ES



T: 01766 830111

E: priestblaenau@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy:

Rev Fr Ian Dalgleish

St Mary Magdalene, High Street, Blaenau Ffestiniog, Gwynedd LL41 3ES.

Services:

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

2 (+) GELLILYDAN, HOLY CROSS,

Catholic Church, Gellilydan (1952). Served from Blaenau Ffestiniog

**Services:**

Sun Mass 11.00am

Hdys Contact Parish Priest

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

BUCKLEY, Flintshire**(+) OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY,**Jubilee Road E: priestmold@rcdwxm.org.uk

(1890; 1893; New Church 2000)



T. 01352 752087 M: 07786 853154

Clergy: Rev Fr Pius Mathew, CMI

Rev Dcn John Goggin

Services: Sun Mass 9.00am

Hdys Mass As Announced

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services**CAERNARFON, Gwynedd in the parish of Bangor & Caernarfon****(+) ST DAVID AND ST HELEN,**

Twthill East (1865; 1890)



T: 01248 370421

E: priestbangor@rcdwxm.org.uk**Clergy:** Fr Adrian Morrin (Parish Priest)

Fr. Saviour Menachery CMI (Parochial Administrator)

Ty Mair, Menai Avenue, Bangor, Gwynedd LL57 2HH.

Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 6.00pm

Hdys Mass at Caernarfon – Contact Parish Priest

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services**CHIRK, In the parish of St Richard Gwyn, Chirk, Llangollen & Ruabon****(+) CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART, Castle Road (1928)**

Served from Ruabon

E: priestruabon@rcdwxm.org.uk

T: 01978 821568

W: www.strichardgwynparish.co.uk**Clergy:** Rev Fr Jasper T Omongo AJ,

3 The Villas, Ruabon. LL14 6NW.

Rev Dcn David Tarbrook 43 Osborne Street, Rhoslanerchrugog, Wrexham

LL142HT

Services: Sun Mass 9.00am

Hdys Mass 10.00am

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services**COLWYN BAY, North Wales in the parish of**

Colwyn Bay & Old Colwyn

(+) ST JOSEPH, Conwy Road (1895; 1900; Cons. 1975)

Oblates of Mary Immaculate



T: 01492 532670

W: www.stjosephsrcc.org.ukE: priestcolwynbay@rcdwxm.org.uk**Clergy:** Rev Fr Vimalarajan Parunanthu OMI (Parish Priest),

Brother Michael Moore OMI

63 Conwy Road, Colwyn Bay, North Wales LL29 7LG

Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 6.00pm. Sun 10.00am

Hdys Mass 9.30am (School Term Only) 12noon & 7.00pm

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

CONNAH'S QUAY, Flintshire
 (+) CHURCH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT,
 High Street (1910)

T: 01244 830358 
 M: 07550079995
 E: priestcquay@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Canon Joseph Stewart, The Presbytery,
 Maude Street, Connah's Quay, Deeside, Flintshire CH5 4DQ.
Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 5:30pm, Sun 11.00am
 Hdys - See notices
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

CONWY, Conwy in the parish of Llandudno Junction & Conwy
 ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS
 Rosemary Lane (1907; 1916).



DENBIGH, Denbighshire in the parish of the Vale of Clwyd
 - Denbigh, Ruthin & St Asaph
 (+) ST JOSEPH'S St Joseph's Catholic Church (1863), (1968)
 E: priestdenbigh@rcdwxm.org.uk



T: 01745 812297

Clergy: Fr George Areekuzhy (C.M.I.)
 St Joseph's, Bryn Stanley Denbigh LL16 3NT.
Services: Sun Mass 10.00am
 Hdys Mass 7.00pm
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

DOLGELLAU, Gwynedd in the parish of Bala & Dolgellau LL40 1LR
 1 (+) OUR LADY OF SEVEN SORROWS
 Meyrick Street (1929, 1966)



T: 01341 422805

E: priestdolgellau@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr Michael Madu
 Meyrick Street, Gwynedd LL40 1LR.
Services: Sun Mass 9.00am & 5.00pm at the Carmelite Monastery
 Hdys Mass 9.30am at Carmelite Monastery & 7.00pm at Parish Church
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

FLINT, Flintshire
 (+) CHURCH OF THE
 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,
 Coleshill Street, Flint (1854; 1885)

T: 01352 732245 
 E: priestflint@rcdwxm.org.uk
 W: www.flintcatholicparish.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Canon Adrian Wilcock, (Parish Priest)
 17 Coleshill Street, Flint, Flintshire CH6 5BQ.
 Permanent Deacon: Rev. Peter Brownbill.
Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 6pm. Sun 8.30am 10.30am
 Hdys See Bulletin for Details
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

HAWARDEN, Flintshire
 (+) **THE SACRED HEART,**
 77 The Highway CH5 3DL (1922; 1967).

T: 01244 681633 
 E: priestsaltney@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy:

Services: Sun Mass 9.30am
 Hdys See Notices
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services
 (Served from Saltney)

HOLYHEAD, Isle of Anglesey
 (+) **ST MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS,**
 Longford Road E: priestholthead@rcdwxm.org.uk
 (1855, 1965) Oblates of Mary Immaculate (O.M.I.)

T: 01407 521393 

W: www.catholicchurchanglesey.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr. Godfrey Joel Emanuel (OMI) (Moderator)
 Rev Fr Lylie Fernando (OMI) (Assistant Moderator)
 St Mary's Presbytery, Longford Road, Holyhead LL65 1TR.

Services: See Parish Website
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

2 (+) **RHOSNEIGR, ST THERESE, (1957)**
 Served from Holyhead.

W: www.catholicchurchanglesey.org.uk 

Services: Sun Mass – See Parish Website – www.catholicchurchanglesey.org.uk
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

HOLYWELL, Flintshire
 (+) **ST WINEFRIDE,**
 Well Street (1833)
 15 Well Street, Holywell, Flintshire CH8 7PL

T: 01352 713181 
 E: priesthollywell@rcdwxm.org.uk
 W: www.stwinefrideshollywell.co.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr Matthew Bond (Priest in Charge)
Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 6.00pm Sun Mass 9.30am
 Hdys See notices

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

LLANDUDNO, Conwy
 (+) **OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA,**
 Lloyd Street (1893)
 35 Lloyd St, Llandudno, Conwy LL30 2YA

T: 01492 860546 
 E: priestllandudno@rcdwxm.org.uk
 W: Llandudno-catholic-church.org.uk

Clergy: Fr Innocent Abonyi MSP
Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 4.30pm. Sun 9.30am
 Hdys Mass Vigil 6.30pm. Day 12 Noon

Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

LLANDUDNO JUNCTION in the parish of Llandudno Junction & Conwy
 (+) **MOST HOLY FAMILY,**
 Llandudno Junction. Bryn Eglwys (1969)



T: 01492 583048

E: priestllandudnojct@rcdwxm.org.uk

W: <https://www.parishcommunity.org>

Clergy: Fr Franklin Ebuka Umekachikelu MSP,
 1 Victoria Drive, Llandudno Junction, Conwy LL31 9NU.

Services: Sun Mass 11.00am
 Hdys Mass See Notices
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

(+) **LIANFAIRFECHAN, ST MARY OF THE ANGELS,** Village Road (1953)
 Served from Llandudno Junction



Services: Sat First Mass of Mass 6.00pm
 Hdys Mass 10.00am
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

LLANGOLLEN, Denbighshire,
 In the parish of St Richard Gwyn, Chirk, Llangollen & Ruabon
 (+) **EGLWYS Y GROES (HOLY CROSS)**
 Heol y Dderwen (1948; 1961)



T: 01978 821568

E: priestruabon@rcdwxm.org.uk

W: www.strichardgwynparish.co.uk

Clergy: Fr Jasper T Omongo AJ
 3 The Villas, Ruabon, Wrexham LL14 6NW
 Rev David Tarbrook 43 Osborne Street, Rhosllanerchrugog,
 Wrexham LL14 2HT

Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 6.00pm
 Hdys Vigil Mass 7.00pm
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

LLANIDLOES, Powys
 (+) **OUR LADY AND ST RICHARD GVVYN. (1951, 1959).**
 Penygreen Llanidloes, Powys SY18 6AJ



T: 01938 555657

E: priestwelshpool@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr Johnson Kattiparampil CMI

Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 4.00pm
 Hdys Mass See Notices
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

LLANRWST, Conwy
 (+) **EGLWYS Y BUGAIL DA,**
 Talybont Road, Llanrwst LL26 OAU (1956).

T: 01492 583048



T: 01492 642677

T: 01492 640433

E: priestllandudnojct@rcdwxm.org.uk

Parish Priest: Fr Ebuka Umekachikelu MSP

Services: Sun Mass 9.00am
 Hdys Mass See Notices
Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

LLAY, Wrexham
ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI,
 Llay Chain (1922), (1954)

T: 01978 852297 
 E: priestllay@rcdwxm.org.uk
 W: www.llayrossettparish.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Canon Daniel Bernard Lordan,
 St Francis Church, Llay Chain, Llay, Wrexham, LL12 ONT.
Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 6.00pm Sun 10.00am
 Hdys 7.00pm
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

MACHYNLLETH, Powys in the parish of Machynlleth & Tywyn
 (+) ST MAIR (OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS),
 Maengwyn Street (1927; 1965)
 W: www.stdavidandstmair.co.uk


 T: 01654 710420
 E: priesttywyn@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr Robert Ehileme (SMMM)
 Gwynfa Ddewi, Corbett Avenue, Tywyn, Gwynedd LL36 OAH
Services: Sun Mass 11.00am
 Hdys See Notices
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

MOLD, Flintshire
 (+) ST DAVID,
 St David's Lane, Ffordd Fain (1850-60; 1966)

T: 01352 752087 
 E: priestmold@rcdwxm.org.uk
 W: www.stdavidsmold.org

Clergy: Rev. Pius Mathew, CMI
 St David's Lane, Ffordd Fain, Mold CH7 1LH.
 Rev Dcn. John Goggin c/o St David's Lane, Ffordd Fain, Mold CH7 1LH.
Services: Sat First Mass of Sunday 5.30pm, Sun Mass 11.00am
 Hdys See Notices / Website
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

NEWTOWN, Powys
 (+) God The Holy Ghost,
 Long Bridge Street (1902; 1947)
 W: www.catholicchurchnewtown.co.uk


 T: 01686 626423 T: 01938 555657
 E: priestwelshpool@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Served by Parish Priest at Welshpool

OVERTON, Wrexham in the parish of Wrexham Maelor
 (+) OUR LADY AND THE WELSH MARTYRS,
 Overton (1958).


 T: 01978 265879
 E: priestwrexhammaelor@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Canon Zbigniew Swoboda, The Presbytery,
 St Anne's Church, Prince Charles Road, Wrexham LL13 8TH
Services: Sat First Mass of Sunday 5.00pm
 Hdys Mass See Notices
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

PANTASAPH, Flintshire
 (+) ST DAVID, Monastery Avenue (1852; cons. 1869).
 Parish



T: 01352 711053

Email: pantasaph@divineuk.org
 Website: pantasaph@divineuk.org

Clergy: Rev Fr Michael Payyapilly VC
 Rev Denny Joseph Manapathil VC
Services: Sat First Mass of Sunday 4.00pm
 Sun Mass 10.00am
 Hdys Mass See Notices

PORTHMADOG,
 Gwynedd in the parish of Pwllheli & Porthmadog
 (+) MOST HOLY REDEEMER,
 Borth Road (1933) (1986). Ramp Facilities.



T: 01758 613160

E: priestpwllheli@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr Francis Arinze Ayogu MSP,
 The Presbytery, St Joseph's Church, Ffordd Mela, Pwllheli, Gwynedd LL49 9BB.
Services: Sun Mass 9.30am
 Hdys Mass See Notices
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

PRESTATYN, Denbighshire
 (+) SS PETER AND FRANCES, Plas Avenue (1903)



T: 01745 854304

E: priestprestatyn@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Canon Terence Carr V.G., M.A., J.C.L.,
 6 Plas Avenue, Prestatyn, Denbighshire LL19 9NH.
 Permanent Deacon Rev Michael Woods. Top Farm, New Road, Gwespyr,
 Holywell. CH8 9L5
Services: Sun 9.30pm & 11.00am
 Hdys Vigil Mass 6.00pm Holy Day 12 noon
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

PWLLHELI, Gwynedd in the Parish of Pwllheli & Porthmadog
 (+) ST JOSEPH, Ffordd Mela (1861; 1926; 1982)



T: 01758 612331

E: priestpwllheli@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr Francis Arinze Ayogu MSP St Joseph's, Ffordd Mela, Pwllheli, Gwynedd
 LL53 5AP
 Permanent Deacon: Rev David Ives
Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 6.30pm. Sun 9.30am
 Hdys Mass See Notices
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

QUEENSFERRY, Flintshire
 (+) THE BLESSED TRINITY, Chester Road (1964)

T: 01244 830358 
 M: 07550079995
 E: priestcquay@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Canon Joe Stewart
Services: Sun Mass 9.30am
 Hdys - See Notices
 Contact Parish Priest for Sacrament of Reconciliation times and other services

RHYL, Denbighshire
 (+) OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION,
 W: www.catholicchurchrhyl.co.uk

T: 01745 353395 
 E: priestrhyl@rcdwxm.org.uk

Clergy: Rev Fr Anthony Chicke Nnamah MSP,
 119 Wellington Road, Rhyl, Denbighshire LL18 1LE.
Services: Sat First Mass of Sun 5.00pm. Sun 10.00am
 Hdys Mass See Notices & Website
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Parish	Catechumens	Baptisms	Receipts	1 st Comm	Confs	Cath	Total	Deaths	Mass
			Marriage	Marriage			Attendance		
Abergele	1	3	0	4	4	1	2	19	98
Amlwch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	61
Bangor & Caernarfon	0	8	0	25	0	1	1	11	297
Barmouth	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	41
Beaumaris	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	12	70
Blaenau Ffestiniog	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	10
Buckley	0	8	0	3	5	0	1	15	100
Chirk/Llang/Ruabon	7	1	0	0	0	1	2	8	109
Colwyn Bay/Old Colwyn	1	38	4	22	3	1	1	13	218
CQuay/QFerry	0	14	0	27	0	0	0	12	151
Denbigh/Ruthin/StAsaph	0	7	0	2	0	0	1	7	115
Dolgellau & Bala	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	16
Flint	1	21	0	17	0	1	1	32	397
Hawarden	0	3	0	5	0	0	0	1	64
Holyhead	0	9	0	9	0	0	0	16	123
Holywell	0	20	0	14	8	0	0	14	94
Llandudno	0	12	0	13	0	1	2	23	209
Llandudno jct /									
Llanfairfechan	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	8	110
Llay & Rossett	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	9	81
Machynlleth / Tywyn	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	56
Mold	0	4	0	10	0	0	0	14	152
Newtown/Welshpool	0	2	0	11	9	0	3	7	122
Pantasaph	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	40
Prestatyn	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	169
Pwllheli/Porthmadog	0	4	0	4	0	1	2	15	208
Rhyl	4	10	0	21	0	2	2	9	267
Saltney	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	36
Wxm Cathedral	3	33	1	42	30	1	2	37	449
Wxm Maelor	0	13	0	15	0	0	3	8	187
Totals	22	218	9	255	60	11	24	311	4050

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Diocesan Masses & Events 2026

Mass for Marriage	Saturday 7 th February, 12 noon, Cathedral
Mass for the Sick	Saturday 14 th February, 12 noon, Cathedral
Rite of Election	Sunday 22 nd February, 3pm, Cathedral
St David's Feast Day	Sunday 1 st March, 12 noon, Cathedral
24 Hours for the Lord	Friday 20 th – Saturday 21 st March
Chrism Mass	Wednesday 1 st April, 7pm, Cathedral
HCPT Pilgrimage to Lourdes	Monday 6 th to Saturday 11 th April
Deacons' Renewal Mass	Saturday 11 th April, 12 noon, Cathedral
International Mass	Saturday 2 nd May, 12 noon, Cathedral
Day of Prayer for Victims of Abuse	Tuesday 5 th May, St Winefride's Shrine, Holywell
National Pilgrimage Cardigan <i>Led by Bishop Peter</i>	Sunday 17 th May, 2pm
Mystagogia Mass	Saturday 23 rd May, 12 noon, Cathedral
Mass for Legal Profession	Friday 26 th June, 7pm, Cathedral
National Pilgrimage to Holywell	Sunday 28 th June, 3pm
Llangollen International Eisteddfod 7 th – 12 th July	Mass: Thursday 9 th July, 5.00pm, Llangollen
Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes	tbc
National Eisteddfod, Llantood, north Pembrokeshire	1 st – 8 th August
St Richard Gwyn Pilgrimage Mass	Sunday 18 th October, 3pm, Cathedral
Healthcare / Medical Mass	Friday 23 rd October, 7pm, Cathedral
Mass for Deceased Clergy	Thursday 19 th November
Youth Day	Sunday 22 nd November
Diocesan Advent Family Day	Sunday 29 th November
(Mass for Altar Servers)	(Saturday 2 nd January 2027, 11am, Cathedral)

National & Diocesan Collections Diocese of Wrexham 2026

Pax Christi Peace Sunday	(2nd Sunday in OT)	18th January
Lenten Fast (CAFOD)	2nd Sunday of Lent	1st March
Holy Places*	Good Friday	3rd April
Church Students Fund+E	World Vocations Day (4th Sunday of Easter)	26th April
Bishop's Fund+E	May Day Bank Holiday weekend	3rd May
Catholic Communications Network (CCN)*	World Communications Day (7th Sunday of Easter)	17th May
CBCEW Day for Life Collection*	Day for Life (3rd Sunday in June)	21st June
Peter's Pence*	Weekend of Ss. Peter & Paul (29th June)	28th June
Stella Maris*	Sea Sunday (2nd Sunday in July)	12th July
Poor Parishes Fund+E	August Bank Holiday weekend	30th August
Catholic Education Service (CES)+	Education Day (2nd Sunday in September)	13th September
Evangelii Gaudium* Sunday	(3rd Sunday in September) (formerly Home Mission)	20th September
Harvest Fast Day Collection	(CAFOD) Sunday following Harvest Fast Day	4th October
World Missions (Missio)*	World Mission Day (penultimate Sunday in October)	18th October
Diocesan Youth Activities*	Feast of Christ the King	22nd November

* Collection is mandatory

+ Collection forms part of the Diocesan levy

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WREXHAM

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Christopher Kay – Prestatyn - 1st Year

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Clergy Statistics of Wrexham Diocese

Secular Clergy		Carmelites of Mary Immaculate	4
On active work in Diocese	8	Jesuits	1
Working outside the Diocese	2	Missionaries of St Paul	4
Retired	9	Oblates of Mary Immaculate	3
Attached from Dioceses outside Wales	4	Vincentian Fathers	2
		Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy	1
		Total	41
Regular Clergy			
Apostles of Jesus	3		

Years of Ordination of Wrexham Secular Priests

1966	JONES , Antony, (Rt'd)	1988	WILCOCK , Adrian
1969	LORDAN , Bernard	1991	GERRARD , Francis Joseph (Rt'd)
1972	MORGAN , Bernard (Rt'd)	1996	DALGLEISH , Ian
1974	PELOSI , Laurence (Rt'd)	2001	DOYLE , Francis
1978	BRIGNALL , Peter M	2001	WALTER , Victor
1980	RAMSAY , Charles (Rt'd)	2004	FRANKLIN , Andrew
1983	CARR , Terence	2005	TRELOAR , Simon
1984	STEWART , Joseph	2009	CAMPBELL-OWEN , Gordon, (Rt'd)
1987	MORRIN , Adrian	2021	BOND , Matthew

Year of Ordination of Wrexham Permanent Deacons

1994	BROWNBILL , Peter	2014	SEWELL , Geoff
1994	HILTON , David (Ret'd)	2016	Davies , Steve
1996	JOY , David (Ret'd)	2020	GOZZARD , David
2006	GRIFFITHS , Tony (Ret'd)	2022	GOGGIN , John
2006	WOODS , Michael	2025	TARBROOK , David
2014	IVES , David		
2014	SCHOONJANS , Michael		

Jubilarians - 2026

Fr Antony Jones – 60 Years a Priest
 Fr Ian Dalglish – 30 Years a Priest
 Dcn David Joy – 30 Years a Deacon
 Canon Francis Doyle – 25 Years a Priest
 Fr Victor Walter – 25 Years a Priest

Congratulations to all our Jubilarians for 2026 – Ad Multos Annos!



Diocese of Wrexham – Clergy Anniversaries

JANUARY

2nd	Leonard Quigley	2016
7th	Owen Hardwicke	2019
9th	John Rudd	1988
9th	Steven Marsh	2003
11th	Leslie Price	1992
14th	Jack Keegan	2018
16th	James Fealey	2022
24th	Patrick Breen	2015
25th	Peter Hunt (Deacon)	2017

FEBRUARY

3rd	Bernard Fisher	1988
6th	Timothy Brien	2014
16th	Jofhn Schikan	1995
18th	James Francis Webb	2013

MARCH

3rd	Denis Egan (Deacon)	1997
3rd	John Tarbrook (Deacon)	2006
6th	Bishop James Hannigan	1994
8th	James Kearns	1991
12th	James Mulroy	2000
18th	Paul Emmett	2013
23rd	Shaji Punnattu	2023
24th	Fergal Shannon	1995
24th	Michael F. Tomkins	2008

APRIL

8th	John Donovan	2009
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MAY

1st	John Abbott (Deacon)	2016
3rd	Matthew Kelly	2001
5th	Aloysius Phillips	1987
13th	Gwilym Jones	1998
24th	Stephen Tarpey	1995
25th	James O'Donoghue	1999
27th	John Walsh (Deacon)	2000
29th	Paschal Dormer	2021

JUNE

5th	Joseph Henry Clarke	2011
6th	Cliffe Howe (Deacon)	2015
11th	Bernard Murphy	2001
13th	John Lochran	2024
17th	McNamara Patrick	2008
21st	Joseph Wedlake	1989
21st	Fred Roberts (Deacon)	1996
27th	Peter Copeman (Deacon)	2012

JULY

19th	John Hipkins	2010
26th	Raymond Joyce	1989
26th	Bishop Langton, D. Fox	1997

AUGUST

6th	Edward Hemphill	1988
23rd	Charles Lloyd	2019
25th	George Mcloughlin	2014

SEPTEMBER

2nd	Brendan Osborne	1987
9th	John Toole	2015
13th	Cyril Schwarz	1989
15th	Brian Jones	2010

OCTOBER

4th	John Carter (Deacon)	2019
5th	Francis Harpin	1990
7th	David Eccleshare	2021
14th	William Andrews	1999
14th	Mgr Philip Webb	2009

NOVEMBER

4th	Patrick Byrne (Deacon)	2002
6th	Peter Wilkie	2016
13th	Thomas Fitzharris	1990
28th	Richard Edwards	2010

DECEMBER

6th	James Lee (Deacon)	2024
21st	Iain Cameron (Deacon)	2022
28th	Vincent Daly	2005

OBITUARY

Information for the Obituary of Deacon Stuart James Ian Lee

He was always called James, and known as Deacon James at the Parish of St Therese, Abergele

Born in Portsmouth 08.03.1941 Died in Abergele 06. 12. 2024

James was educated at Kelly Colledge, Tavistock, Devon
He gained a degree in Physics at Bristol University

He worked first for the BBC as a sound engineer in Bristol until he joined Philips Medical Systems in Eindhoven, The Netherlands in 1969. He worked in the development and marketing of X-ray, CT scanners, MRI units and other diagnostic equipment, and also travelled all over Europe visiting, hospitals and clinicians, to discuss the use and development of this diagnostic equipment. With over 40 years experience, James was often asked for advice by people coming new into the field – he was known by many in Philips in the latter years as Opa James – Grandpa James.

James spoke English, Dutch German and French fluently, and had a working knowledge of Spanish, Italian and Latin. When he wasn't working he very much enjoyed wandering around the towns and cities of Europe, visiting the Cathedrals, museums, restaurants and junk shops and also taking walking and cycling holidays for peace and rest. His son's wedding in Hong Kong was special, as was his 65th birthday in Jerusalem.

In 1990, while living in Oisterwijk, The Netherlands, James joined the course for men interested in the Diaconate at the St Jan's Seminarie in S'Hertogenbosch. He was ordained on 30th September 1995 at the Kathedrale Basiliiek van Sint Jan, S'Hertogenbosch. He would have celebrated 30 years as a Deacon on September 30th 2025, but sadly did not quite make it. He worked in several parishes: H. Joannes Parochie, Oisterwijk, NL; H. Petrus Parochie Oisterwijk NL; H Maria Alacoque Tilburg NL; and finally spent 13 years assisting Father Bernard at St Therese and Christ the King, Abergele, UK. Though he was happy in all his parishes, he said that the last years with Fr Bernard were the happiest. Over the years he baptised, buried, married, taught, preached, visited the sick, undertook various sorts of administration, and at St Therese, was responsible for maintenance of the building, including the complex task of renewing the Sanctuary of St Therese – which is ongoing.

James died peacefully at home, dearly loved always by his wife, Bryony, Son, Francis, daughter-in-law, Moime, and Grandchildren Natasha and Matthew.
May he rest in peace.

Orders or Congregations

MEN

Apostles of Jesus (AJ): Abergele, Ruabon & Wrexham

Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI): Mold, Vale of Clwyd & Welshpool

Jesuits (AJ): Tremeirchion

Oblates of Mary Immaculate (OMI): Anglesey Mission & Colwyn Bay

Missionaries of St Paul (MSP): Llandudno, Llandudno Junction, Pwllheli, Rhyl

Vincentine Fathers (VC): Pantasaph

Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy (SMMM): Tywyn & Machynlleth

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ORDER OF CONSECRATED VIRGINS

This was revived at Vatican II for women outside of a monastic cloister and not belonging, either, to an Apostolic Congregation. They came directly under the Bishop of the Diocese and are completely dedicated to a life of perpetual virginity. Pope John Paul II writes of the ancient Order of Virgins, known to Christian Communities ever since Apostolic times. These women acquire a particular link with the Church, which they are committed to serve.' Canon 604 of the new Canon Law states 'Through their pledge to follow Christ more closely, virgins are consecrated to God, mystically espoused to Christ and dedicated to the service of the Church when the Diocesan Bishop consecrates them according to the approved liturgical Rite.'

In Wrexham Diocese

Sr Joy Elder, Conwy

Sr Judith Harvey, Wrexham

Sr. Jennifer McGlade, Llandudno

SECULAR INSTITUTES

It was the Papal Document 'Provide Mater' which opened up the possibility of this form of consecrated life in the second half of the 20th Century. It is designed to develop a specific type of apostolic presence in modern society. Men and women who belong to these Institutes are dedicated by vow or promise whilst living normal, secular lives. Their commitment is sometimes quite hidden. Their charism is their consecrated secularity.

CANONICAL HERMITS

These come under Canon 603 of the new Canon Law. These individuals, men or women, are vowed to follow a fully eremitical way of life when they are approved of and blessed by the Bishop. They are dedicated to complete solitude, asceticism and continual prayer. Fasting, celibacy, poverty, silence and work are an integral part of this radical form of Hermit life.

Sr Jacqueline Boyce

Sr Patricia O'Donohue, Dolgellau Sr Denise, Llangollen

Sr Margaret Logan, c/o Franciscan Friary, Pantasaph

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Wales & Herefordshire

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2026

with complete notes

**THE ORDER TO BE OBSERVED FOR THE
CELEBRATION OF MASS
AND THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS**

**IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CARDIFF-MENEVIA AND THE DIOCESE OF
WREXHAM, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2026**

ORDO

INTRODUCTION

The Cardiff-Menevia and Wrexham Calendar combines the Universal Calendar of the Latin Rite with the Welsh National Calendar as it appears in the 2011 edition of the Roman Missal, together with certain celebrations peculiar to each diocese, *e.g.* the dedication of the Cathedral Church. In addition, regional adjustments have been made for the county of Herefordshire in accord with the Proper Calendar for England incorporated in the same edition of the Roman Missal.

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THE 2024 LECTIONARY FOR MASS

Since Advent 2024, a new Lectionary for Mass has been in force. Volume I contains material for all Sundays and Holy Days, including Feasts of the Lord set out with two readings for use when they fall on Sundays. Volume II contains all weekday material needed from the start of Advent until Pentecost. Volume III contains all weekday material from the resumption of Ordinary Time after Pentecost until the Saturday before Advent begins. Volume IV contains the lections for special occasions: material for Infant Baptisms, which is not clearly indicated in the front index, can be found at pages 85 onwards; material for Confirmation starts at page 119.

DEDICATIONS AND TITULAR FEASTS OF CHURCHES

This Order does not contain any indication of the Anniversary of Dedication or of the Titular Feast of individual churches. (The Dedication applies only to consecrated Churches.) Parish priests are therefore advised to annotate their own copies of the Order concerning these feasts at the start of the year.

Note that where the church is known to have been consecrated but the date is not recorded, the Dedication Festival may be kept on 25 October or on the Sunday before All Saints' Day (*i.e.* the Sunday which falls on 23-29 October, allowing for the occasional transfer of All Saints' Day to Sunday 31 October.) The choice of date should be made once and fixed permanently for its parish community.

Both the Dedication and the Titular feast are celebrated as solemnities, *i.e.* with Evening Prayer I, Gloria, Creed, and *Te Deum*. They are celebrated on the normal days unless these happen to fall in Holy Week or Easter Week, or on Ash Wednesday, Ascension Day or Pentecost Sunday, Sundays of Advent, Lent or Eastertide, or on any other solemnity. In such cases they may be transferred to the next free day (or to the

previous Saturday if the clash occurs on a Sunday). If it is considered pastorally beneficial, the Mass of the Dedication or Titular may be used at all public Masses on the following Sunday, but only during the period of Ordinary Time. If the Titular of a particular Church no longer exists in the Roman Calendar, the same date may be observed as hitherto.

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION

The Holydays of Obligation for England and Wales are: every Sunday, Christmas Day, the Epiphany of the Lord (6 January), the Ascension of the Lord, St Peter & St Paul (29 June), the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (15 August), and All Saints (1 November). With the exception of Christmas Day, any Holyday of Obligation falling on either a Saturday or a Monday is transferred to the Sunday. Since Advent 2006, one Solemnity has been permanently transferred to Sunday, namely, that of the Body and Blood of the Lord (*Corpus Christi*).

THE TE DEUM

The *Te Deum* is sung or said at the Office of Readings on Sundays outside of Lent, during the Octaves of Easter and Christmas, and on Solemnities and Feasts.

ALTERNATIVE CALENDARS

Where Mass is celebrated in the Extraordinary Form according to the provisions of *Summorum Pontificum*, a different calendar applies: the universal Ordo for this may be found on the website of the Latin Mass Society of England and Wales. See: lms.org.uk/fiuvordo

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales submitted a *dubium* to the Pontifical Commission *Ecclesia Dei* which confirmed that in the Roman Rite, whichever Form of the liturgy is being celebrated, the Holydays of Obligation are held in common, on the date prescribed for the Ordinary Form. Where the obligation has been removed and the Holyday transferred to the Sunday, this is to be followed in both Ordinary and Extraordinary celebrations of Mass. A further *dubium* submitted by the Latin Mass Society (*N107/97 20 October 2008*) clarified that where the Extraordinary Form is being followed, it is proper to also celebrate the Mass and Divine Office of these solemnities on the traditional dates indicated in the 1962 calendar, though there would be no obligation on the faithful to attend Mass on such days.

Celebrations proper to the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham – the canonical structure under which former Anglicans can worship as Catholics while retaining their distinctive patrimony – follow the Calendar and Ordo available via their website at: www.ordinariate.org.uk/our-prayer-and-liturgy

Members of Religious Orders, or of Eastern Rite Churches, should consult their local superiors or clergy concerning their proper calendars.

PROPER MATERIAL FOR WALES

In 1974, the Roman Missal and Divine Office published in that year reflected the Calendar for Wales issued by the Bishops of Wales in 1973. In 1981, the *Proper for Wales* was published with the Imprimatur of Archbishop Murphy and the authority of the Holy See, Protocol CD 607/77 for the Divine Office Proper and CD 984/80 for the Mass Proper.

The new English Translation of the Roman Missal published in 2011 was granted *recognitio* by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, for the dioceses of England and Wales (Prot. N. 915/06/L) on 28 March 2010. The proper calendar, texts, and adaptations for the dioceses of England and Wales were confirmed by the Apostolic See by decrees of the same Congregation on 7 January 2011 (Prot. N. 915/06/L), 9 January 2011, (Prot. N. 1035/10/L), and 11 January 2011 (Prot. N. 1036/10/L).

Blessed John Henry Newman was subsequently added to the Calendar for Wales (Prot. n. 342/12/L, 8 June 2012), and his observance in England & Wales was raised to the rank of a Feast in 2019 following his canonization. St John Paul II was added to the Calendars for Wales and England prior to his inclusion in the Universal Calendar. The current official Calendar for Wales is therefore given by the prescriptions of the 2011 Missal, with subsequent additions, and can be found on the Liturgy Office website: www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/National/Wales1.shtml

All the Proper Material for Mass will now be found in the 2011 edition of the Roman Missal and 2024 Lectionary, except for subsequent additions; national celebrations are included in the Proper of Saints as part of the natural sequence of dates.

The Proper Material for the Divine Office in Wales (1981 edition) may be obtained on request by email from Rev. Dr Gareth Leyshon (leyshon.gareth@cardiffmenevia.org). Note that the liturgical books for the Divine Office currently in print may indicate that some days in the Calendar for Wales are Obligatory Memorials when in fact they are now all optional.

Older books also indicate that 4 May is the Feast of the Beatified Martyrs of England and Wales. In the current calendar for England, the Feast of the Forty Martyrs on 25 October has been suppressed in favour of a combined celebration of the English Martyrs on 4 May, chosen because it marks the first Reformation martyrdom (three Carthusians at Tyburn in 1535). In Wales, however, 25 October remains the Feast of the "Six Welsh Martyrs and Their Companions"; omission of 4 May from the calendar for Wales in the 2011 Missal indicates that this date is no longer a Feast or even a Memorial of the Beatified Martyrs. If a votive celebration is to be offered in honour of the Beatified Martyrs, proper material can be found at Daily Prayer 319* & Divine Office Volume II 204.

Among the 85 martyrs beatified in 1987, the following have connections with Wales and Herefordshire:

- Nicholas Wheeler, a seminary priest from Herefordshire, was executed at Tyburn 21 January 1586, aged 36.
- Richard Flower (or Lloyd), a Welsh layman, aged 22, was executed at Tyburn, 30 August 1588.
- Humphrey Pritchard, a Welsh serving man, was arrested with Blessed Thomas Belson in Oxford, and executed there on 5 July 1589.
- William Davies (born in North Wales, probably Croes yn Eirias, Denbighshire, date uncertain; executed at Beaumaris Castle, 27 July 1593) was a Welsh Roman Catholic priest. There is a chapel in Anglesey built as a memorial to him.
- Charles Mahoney (Mahony; alias Meehan) born after 1639, executed at Ruthin, Denbighshire, 12 August 1679, was an Irish Franciscan.
- Roger Cadwallador, born at Stretton Sugwas, near Hereford, in 1568, executed at Leominster, 27 August 1610, was an English Roman Catholic priest.

In addition, Blessed Philip Powell, a native of Breconshire, was martyred at Tyburn 30 June 1646; he was beatified by Pope Pius XI in 1929.

A number of earlier saints associated with Wales or Herefordshire also appear in the Roman Martyrology. Votive celebrations may be legitimately carried out for the martyrs listed above and also:

13 April: St Caradoc, a hermit in South Wales who died in 1124;

27 April: St Mauganus, a sixth-century bishop in Anglesey;

5 May: St Brioc, a 5th Century Welsh Bishop who became abbot of a monastery in Brittany;

6 May: Blessed Edward Jones, a priest and convert from the Church of England, born in the diocese of St Asaph, who was martyred today at Fleet Street in 1590;

4 June: St Petroc "of Wales" who ministered and died in Cornwall;

21 June: St Méen, a 6th Century Welsh monk who became abbot of a monastery in Brittany;

28 July: St Samson, a pupil of St Illtyd who became Abbot of Dol in Brittany;

30 July: Blessed Edward Powell, a priest born in Wales, who was martyred today at Smithfield in 1540;

22 August: St John Kemble was martyred today in Hereford in 1679;

25 August: St Thomas Cantelupe, Bishop of Hereford, who died in 1282;

21 September: St Cadoc, the 6th Century Abbot of Llancarfan;

15 November: St Malo, a 6th Century bishop from Wales who became abbot of a monastery in Brittany.

THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

Optional memorials and votive celebrations of saints may be kept on the weekdays of Ordinary Time, on weekdays of Advent before December 17th, on weekdays of the Christmas season from January 2nd onwards, and weekdays of the Easter season. On such days, even when there is an optional Memorial, a priest may celebrate either the Mass of the weekday or that of any Saint inscribed that day in the Roman Martyrology (cf. *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* 316b,c). The same holds, analogously, for the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours (cf. *General Instruction of the Liturgy of the Hours*, 244). It is perfectly legitimate, therefore, in such circumstances, to celebrate in honour of a Saint found in neither the General Calendar nor in a proper calendar. Obviously, such cases call for the exercise of pastoral good sense on the part of the celebrant. Mention is made above of a selection of saints and beati local to Wales or Herefordshire who are listed in the 2004 edition of the *Roman Martyrology*.

NUPTIAL MASSES

Whenever marriage is celebrated within Mass, the Ritual Mass for Marriage is used, along with white vestments. If, however, such a Mass is celebrated on a Sunday or Solemnity, the Mass of the day is used with its own proper readings, plus the nuptial blessing and if appropriate, the final blessing of the wedding Mass. (On Sundays during Ordinary Time, the Ritual Mass for Marriage may nevertheless be used, if the timing does not coincide with a scheduled Mass for the parish community.) Since the Liturgy of the Word is of great importance in the celebration of marriage, in cases where the Ritual Mass for Marriage is not used, one of the readings may be taken from among those provided for the celebration of marriage. If marriage is celebrated on a day of penitential character, especially within Lent, the parish priest should advise that account be taken of that character. The celebration of marriage on Good Friday or on the following day, Holy Saturday, is absolutely forbidden.

MASSES FOR THE DEAD

First place among Masses for the Dead is held by the funeral Mass, which may be celebrated on any day except on Holydays of Obligation, on Maundy Thursday, during the Paschal Triduum, or on the Sundays of Advent, Lent and Eastertide. It is appropriate that the paschal candle be placed, lit, near the place where the coffin will rest.

If the Mass is combined directly with the other funeral rites, once the prayer after communion has been said, omitting the concluding rites of Mass, the rite of final commendation and farewell is carried out. This is not to be done unless the body is actually present.

On reception of news of a death, on the occasion of a final burial, or on the first anniversary, a Mass for the Dead may be used even on days within the Christmas Octave, and on an obligatory memorial, or on other weekdays, other than on Ash Wednesday or within Holy Week. Daily Masses of the Dead, unless some real need of the faithful dictates otherwise, are permitted only on weekdays in Ordinary Time, and on optional memorials or days when the weekday Office is used, provided too that the Mass is actually said for the dead.

MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (*MISSA PRO POPULO*)

A parish priest is bound on each Sunday and on each Holyday of Obligation to offer one Mass for the people entrusted to him. If he is lawfully impeded in this, he should have someone else celebrate Mass for the people on these days or else celebrate it himself on other days.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYERS

The choice among the Eucharistic Prayers found in the Order of Mass is suitably guided by the following norms:

Eucharistic Prayer I, that is, the Roman Canon, which may always be used, is especially suited to be sung or said on days when there is a proper text for the *Communicantes* (*In union with the whole Church*) or in Masses endowed with a proper form of the *Hanc igitur* (*Father, accept this offering*) and also in the celebrations of the Apostles and of the Saints mentioned in the Prayer itself; it is likewise especially appropriate for Sundays, unless for pastoral considerations Eucharistic Prayer III is preferred.

Eucharistic Prayer II, on account of its particular features, is more appropriately used on weekdays or in special circumstances. Although it has been provided with its own Preface, it may also be used with other Prefaces, especially those that summarize the mystery of salvation, such as the common Prefaces. When Mass is celebrated for a particular dead person, the special formula may be inserted in the place indicated.

Eucharistic Prayer III may be said with any Preface. Its use is preferred on Sundays and feast days. If, however, this Eucharistic Prayer is used in Masses for the Dead, the special formula for the dead may be used, to be included at the proper place.

Eucharistic Prayer IV has an invariable Preface and gives a fuller summary of salvation history. It may be used when a Mass has no Preface of its own and is particularly appropriate for Sundays in Ordinary Time. Because of its structure, no special formula for the dead may be inserted into this prayer.

On 1 May 2013, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments decreed that the name of St Joseph should be inserted into Eucharistic Prayers II, III & IV. For further information and for a “bookmark” containing the amended passages, see: tinyurl.com/JoeTexts

The four forms of the Eucharistic Prayer for Masses for Various Needs and Occasions may be used only with the formularies of the Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, which do not have their own proper preface. Each of the four formulations has its own integral preface, and may not be used with any other preface. These Eucharistic Prayers are ideally suited for use in the Cycle of Prayer, outlined below.

The two Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation each contain their own preface, but it is permitted to use these prayers with any other preface which speaks of penance or reconciliation. These prayers may therefore be used at any time during Lent with suitable Lenten Prefaces, and also, with their integral prefaces, during the weekdays of the first four weeks of Lent; they may also be used on penitential occasions at other times of year.

There also exist three Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children, which may only be used at Masses when children constitute a significant proportion of the assembly, and a Eucharistic Prayer for Deaf People which may only be used by a celebrant who can sign, and when a significant number of Deaf people are present.

MASS AND COMMUNION

It is highly appropriate that the faithful receive the Body of the Lord by means of hosts consecrated at that same Mass and that on the occasions laid down they also communicate from the chalice, so that through such signs Holy Communion may more clearly be seen to be a sharing in the sacrifice being celebrated. The faithful who have already received the Blessed Eucharist once, may also receive it again on the same day, that is to say for no more than a second time on that same day, in the course of a further Eucharistic celebration in which they take part (*cf. Code of Canon Law* 917 and the authoritative interpretation of the same promulgated on 26 June 1984). In Wales and in England, broad permission was extended in 1985 for communion under both kinds (*Briefing*, 1985, volume 15, page 190). The provisions of the 2004 instruction *Redemptionis Sacramentum* should be noted.

EASTER DUTY

Once admitted to the blessed Eucharist, each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during paschal time (*i.e.* between Palm Sunday and Pentecost Sunday), unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time during the year.

EUCCHARISTIC FAST

A person who is to receive the Most Holy Eucharist is to abstain for at least one hour before Holy Communion from any food and drink, except for only water and medicine. A priest who celebrates the Most Holy Eucharist two or three times on the same day can take something before the second or third celebration even if there is less than

one hour between them. The elderly, the infirm, and those who care for them can receive the Most Holy Eucharist even if they have eaten something within the preceding hour; the former discipline of requiring a quarter-hour fast no longer applies. (*Code of Canon Law* 919)

CYCLE OF PRAYER

In 1996, the Bishops of England and Wales set out a Cycle of Prayer, allocating particular intentions to each of six divisions of the year. Each individual intention might be remembered frequently – by individuals, parishes, and other groups – throughout its allocated season, but also has its particular focal point, *i.e.* a particular Day of Prayer ordered by the Holy See or by the Bishops of England & Wales. Over time, additional intentions, such as ‘Victims of Human Trafficking’ and ‘Survivors of Abuse’, have been added to the established cycle.

The Cycle is based on a division of the year into six periods, three of these being the principal liturgical seasons of Advent-with-Christmas, Lent, and Easter. The other three periods are divisions of Ordinary Time, namely Winter, Summer and Autumn. On the Day of Special Prayer itself, and especially on Sundays, it is appropriate to announce the Day of Special Prayer in the opening remarks at the beginning of Mass, and to make special mention in the Prayer of the Faithful. Care should be taken that the remaining petitions of the Prayer of the Faithful should be formulated in accordance with the norms given in the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* (GIRM) 69-71. When a Day of Prayer or other observance falls on a Sunday, the Mass and Lectionary texts of the Sunday are normally used.

On weekdays the use of suitable ‘Masses for Various Needs and Occasions’ or ‘Votive Masses’ should be considered to support the marking of the Day of Prayer (GIRM 373-378). The readings assigned for each day in the Lectionary for weekdays should not be omitted too frequently and without sufficient reason. It is often more fruitful to explore any special intentions through the readings assigned to the day, than to choose from the Common those which may appear at first sight more appropriate to the intention. For more information, see the Liturgy Office website:

tinyurl.com/PrayerCycle

GUIDE TO USING THE ORDER

In the calendar which follows: + indicates a HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.

Entries under the rubric *EVENING* prescribe both the Liturgy of the Hours to be celebrated for Evening Prayer and Night Prayer, and also the Mass to be used if Mass is celebrated later than Evening Prayer.

It is assumed that the user is familiar with the main cycles in the liturgical books: Ordinary Sundays; Ordinary Weekdays; the Seasons of Advent, Christmastide, Lent and Eastertide; the Proper of Saints from January to December. Page numbers are given in this Order only when material is found outside these main cycles, such as the Solemnities of the Lord in Ordinary Time, or the National Propers for the Divine Office. This Order is meant to be used in conjunction with the liturgical books, and in general, rubrics printed clearly alongside the texts in the Roman Missal and Divine Office will not be duplicated here.

The *Gloria* is always said on weekdays designated **FEAST**; this is not explicitly mentioned in the calendar below, but every Sunday and Solemnity will be annotated with explicit mention of the Gloria (when required) and Creed.

Where page numbers are given, **M&EP** indicates *Morning and Evening Prayer* (not to be confused with the abridged *Shorter Morning and Evening Prayer*); **DP** indicates *Daily Prayer* (the volume which includes Prayer During the Day); and **DO-I**, **DO-II** and **DO-III** the three volume set of *The Divine Office*. Note that some volumes include three sequences of page numbering – one plain, another marked by an asterisk (*) and the third by square brackets []. **RM** indicates the current edition of the Roman Missal, internally indicated as the 2010 edition though actually published in 2011. Reference is also made to the *Book of Blessings*: page numbers are in the USA edition, which has been authorized for use by the Bishops of England and Wales in the absence of our own national version.

PRAYING THE DIVINE OFFICE

On days which are not marked as **FEASTS** or **SOLEMNITIES**, psalms for the Divine Office (also known as the Prayer of the Church or the Liturgy of the Hours) are wholly or mostly taken from the repeating cycle of the 4-week psalter. The current week is always indicated in the Order below, at the entry for Saturday evening, since a new week normally begins with the First Evening Prayer of Sunday.

The psalms for Prayer During the Day are always those of the occurring weekday except where the Breviary or the Order explicitly indicates the contrary. Sometimes the “Complementary Psalms” will be specified: these can be found at DP [485], DO-I [592], DO-II [514] and DO-III [514]

CHOICE OF MASS AND OF PREFACE

Where more than one observance is offered, with the rubric “*or*”, the Celebrant may freely choose to celebrate the Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours corresponding to any of the options presented. On such days, and on Weekdays of Ordinary Time, of Advent up to 16 December, of Christmastide and of Eastertide, the Celebrant may also choose to celebrate a Votive Mass of any Saint listed in the Roman Martyrology, or any Blessed proper to the place, or (if applicable) their religious order, or a Mass for Various Needs and Occasions.

Whenever a Memorial is kept, all the proper material provided in the Roman Missal should be used. If there are no proper texts given for the Prayer over the Offerings and the Prayer After Communion, the prayer of the Season may be used, or an appropriate text from the Commons. Where a suggested reference is given to the Commons, it is permitted to choose other suitable material from the Commons, including mixing material from different Commons (for example, when a Martyr is also a Bishop or a Virgin); material from the Common of Holy Men and Women may always be used in such cases. During Advent, Christmastide and Eastertide, on days when Memorials may be celebrated, the celebrant may choose the Preface of the Season or the Preface appropriate to the Saint.

LITURGICAL COLOURS

These are given in full, except:

- “ROSE/P” indicates that on *Laetare* Sunday and *Gaudete* Sunday, rose or purple vestments may be used.
- “P/BLACK” indicates that on All Souls’ Day, purple or black vestments may be used.
- “W or G” indicates that on Votive Masses of Our Lady on Saturday, white or green vestments may be used.

REMEMBRANCE OF DECEASED CLERGY

This Order includes, in italics, the names of those who died as clergy of one of the dioceses of Wales and Herefordshire, on the dates of their death. Bishops and Deacons are explicitly identified as such; entries not otherwise identified are of presbyters (priests). Anniversaries of presbyters and deacons will not be included in the Order beyond 25 years from the date of death, but these dates will still be available in the diocesan listings present in the Yearbook. The entries for Bishops continue to be included in the text *ad infinitum*.

PENITENTIAL ACTS

FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

All of Christ's faithful are obliged to do penance. The obligation arises in imitation of Christ himself and in response to his call. During his life on earth, not least at the beginning of his public ministry, Our Lord undertook voluntary penance. He invited his followers to do the same. The penance he invited would be a participation in his own suffering, an expression of inner conversion and a form of reparation for sin. It would be a personal sacrifice made out of love for God and our neighbour. It follows that if we are to be true, as Christians, to the spirit of Christ, we must practise some form of penance.

Every Friday is set aside as a special day of penitence, as it is the day of the suffering and death of the Lord. In 2011, the Bishops of England and Wales decided that abstinence from meat on Fridays should be reintroduced according to Canon 1251. Under that canon, abstinence from meat applies on all Fridays except those which are solemnities. Those who cannot, or choose not to, eat meat as part of their normal diet should abstain from some other food of which they regularly partake. This decision came into effect on 16 September 2011.

The Bishops of England and Wales believe it is important that all the faithful again be united in a common, identifiable act of Friday penance because they recognise that the virtue of penitence is best acquired as part of a common resolve and common witness. For this reason, all Catholics aged over 14 are to observe Friday penance by abstaining from meat and by uniting this to prayer. Those over 18 are bound by the law of fasting (which applies on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday) until the beginning of their sixtieth year. Priests and parents are urged to foster the spirit and practice of penance among those too young to be the subjects of either law.

In a Q&A document published at the time of reintroduction, the General Secretary of the Bishops' Conference noted that:

- There is no requirement for us to eat fish instead of meat on a Friday. Our act of abstinence does not mean that we have to eat another particular type of food as the regular substitute for meat on a Friday.
- If we are invited out for a meal on a Friday, then we should make the most of an opportunity to witness to our Catholic faith. If our friends and colleagues value us they will not be offended or upset if we tell them, ahead of time, that we do not eat meat on Fridays.
- Our Bishops wish us to focus on the importance of observing penance as a regular and necessary part of our spiritual lives as a whole. If we make it our practice to do penance during the prescribed penitential days and seasons of the Church's year, then failure to abstain from meat on a particular Friday would not constitute a sin.

The relevant texts from the *Code of Canon Law* (1249-1253) are as follows:

Can. 1249 All Christ's faithful are obliged by divine law, each in his or her own way, to do penance. However, so that all may be joined together in a certain common practice of penance, days of penance are prescribed. On these days the faithful are in a special manner to devote themselves to prayer, to engage in works of piety and charity, and to deny themselves, by fulfilling their obligations more faithfully and especially by observing the fast and abstinence which the following canons prescribe.

Can. 1250 The days and times of penance for the universal Church are each Friday of the whole year and the season of Lent.

Can. 1251 Abstinence from meat, or from some other food as determined by the Episcopal Conference, is to be observed on all Fridays, unless a solemnity should fall on a Friday. Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Can. 1252 The law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year. The law of fasting binds those who have attained their majority, until the beginning of their sixtieth year. Pastors of souls and parents are to ensure that even those who by reason of their age are not bound by the law of fasting and abstinence, are taught the true meaning of penance.

Can. 1253 The Episcopal Conference can determine more particular ways in which fasting and abstinence are to be observed. In place of abstinence or fasting it can substitute, in whole or in part, other forms of penance, especially works of charity and exercises of piety.

INDULGENCES

The Catholic Faith teaches that while sacramental confession restores us to friendship with God, we may still need to be purified, after death, of the consequences of our sinful choices. This purification may be accomplished, at least in part, while still on earth, by our own prayers, fasting, and works of charity. When the Church declares a particular spiritual exercise to be **indulgenced**, it adds the prayers of the Church at large to our own personal prayer. In some cases, a plenary indulgence is offered – a promise that if we fulfil the conditions set down perfectly, the prayers of the Church will achieve our total purification. Such prayers may be offered on behalf of the soul of a person who has already died, and (unless otherwise specified) may also be offered on their own behalf by the living person undertaking the indulgenced exercise.

A plenary indulgence can be gained only once a day, except when a person is in danger of death. In order to obtain it, the faithful must, in addition to being in the state of grace: (i) have the interior disposition of *complete detachment from sin, even venial sin*; (ii) *have sacramentally confessed* their sins; (iii) *receive the Holy Eucharist on the day of the exercise* (preferably at Mass, but to fulfil the conditions only Holy

Communion is required); and (iv) *pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff*. Prayer for the Pope's intentions is left to the choice of the faithful, but an *Our Father* and a *Hail Mary* are suggested. One sacramental Confession suffices for several plenary indulgences, but a separate Holy Communion and a separate prayer for the Pope's intentions are required for each plenary indulgence. A plenary indulgence may also be gained twice a year in parish churches: on the feast day of the Church's Titular, and on 2nd August (*Portiuncula*).

It is appropriate, but not necessary, that the sacramental Confession and especially Holy Communion and the prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the same day that the indulgenced work is performed; but it is sufficient that these sacred rites and prayers be undertaken within about 20 days before or after the indulgenced act. In the year 2000 the Apostolic Penitentiary specified this window of about 20 days, in place of the earlier interpretation which allowed about 8 days before or following the indulgenced act (see *Gift of the Indulgence*, 5).

Although indulgences may always be applied to the dead, a plenary indulgence *applicable only to the dead* can be gained in all churches and public or semi-public oratories on 2nd November or on the following Sunday. The work prescribed, in addition to Confession and Holy Communion, is a visit to a church or oratory during which the *Our Father* and the *Creed* are said for the Pope's intentions. In addition, a plenary indulgence may also be gained on each day from 1st to 8th November, by visiting a cemetery and praying for the dead.

NOVEMBER 2025

The Pope's Intention: ***For the prevention of suicide.*** Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

ADVENT 2025

Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas, when Christ's first coming to us is remembered: and as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's coming at the end of time. Advent is thus a period for devout and joyful expectation. The playing of the organ and other musical instruments, and the decoration of the altar with flowers, should be done in a moderate manner, as is consonant with the character of the season, without anticipating the full joy of the Nativity of the Lord. The same moderation should be observed in the celebration of matrimony. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it, may an appropriate Mass for Various Needs or a Votive Mass be celebrated. Daily Masses for the Dead are not allowed.

For the rite of blessing an Advent Wreath at Mass, Evening Prayer or a Liturgy of the Word, see page 573-582 of the *Book of Blessings*.

The Cycle of Prayer: During Advent and Christmastide, we are invited to pray for Migrants and Refugees, and for Expectant Mothers.

29 SATURDAY :: THE NEW LITURGICAL YEAR BEGINS WITH EVENING PRAYER.

PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING: +PURPLE **1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

30 SUNDAY +PURPLE **1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
Mass: Creed. Advent Preface I.

DECEMBER 2025

The Pope's Intention: ***For Christians in areas of conflict.*** Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

1 Monday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I. <i>Dewi Davies (Cardiff) 2007</i>
2 Tuesday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
3 Wednesday	White	St Francis Xavier, Priest (<i>memorial</i>) Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees.

4 Thursday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
<i>or:</i>	White	St John Damascene, Priest, Doctor of the Church
5 Friday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I. <i>Peter Kelly (Menevia) 2019</i>
6 Saturday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
<i>or:</i>	White	St Nicholas, Bishop <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or of Pastors. <i>Deacon James Lee (Wrexham) 2024</i>
PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A		
EVENING:	+PURPLE	2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
7 SUNDAY	+PURPLE	2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Advent Preface I.
8 MONDAY	WHITE	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Proper Preface of the Solemnity. <i>Office:</i> At Prayer During the Day, proper antiphons and the Complementary Psalms.
9 Tuesday	Purple	2nd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
<i>or:</i>	White	St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or of Saints. <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Holy Men.
10 Wednesday	Purple	2nd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
<i>or:</i>	White	Our Lady of Loreto <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I (even when Our Lady is kept). Use Common of BVM II In Advent, RM p1107. <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
<i>or:</i>	Red	Wales: St John Roberts, Priest, Martyr
11 Thursday	Purple	2nd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
<i>or:</i>	White	St Damasus I, Pope <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or of Pastors.

12 Friday	Purple	2nd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
<i>or:</i>	White	Our Lady of Guadalupe <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or BVM I or II. <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary. <i>John Owen (Cardiff) 2018</i>

Less recent liturgical books will indicate a celebration of St Jane Frances de Chantal on this date - her observance is now permanently transferred to 12 August.

13 Saturday	Red	St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or Virgins or Martyrs. She is named in the extended text of Eucharistic Prayer I. PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+ROSE/P	3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
14 SUNDAY	+ROSE/P	3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY) <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Advent Preface I. The Advent moderation in the use of organ, other instruments, and flowers, does not apply today.
15 Monday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
16 Tuesday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.

At Mass, proper readings are given for the weekdays from 17-24 December, and these should be used instead of those indicated for the weekdays of the third week of Advent. The Divine Office uses the Antiphons, and hymns for Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, and the Office of Readings, as prescribed for Advent II. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it, may an appropriate Mass for Various Needs be celebrated. Votive Masses and Daily Masses for the Dead are prohibited.

Memorials which occur on days between 17 and 31 December are optional; if kept, they are to be commemorated at Mass by using the collect of the saint in place of the collect of the Mass of the day. At the Office of Readings, the proper reading of a Commemoration, with its antiphon, is used following the Second Reading of the Season; at Morning and Evening Prayer, the Gospel Antiphon and Closing Prayer of the Commemoration are recited after the closing prayer of the day.

17 Wednesday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Mass of December 17, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 3rd Week of Advent with material for Dec 17.
18 Thursday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Mass of December 18, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 3rd Week of Advent with material for Dec 18.

19 Friday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Mass for December 19, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 3rd Week of Advent with material for Dec 19.
20 Saturday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Mass for December 20, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 3rd Week of Advent with material for Dec 20.
PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A		
EVENING:	+PURPLE	4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Sunday of Advent with material for Dec 20.
21 SUNDAY	+PURPLE	4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Sunday of Advent with material for Dec 21. Expectant Mothers' Sunday: prayer is recommended for expectant mothers. A formal blessing for expectant parents is available at: tinyurl.com/blessXM <i>Deacon Iain Cameron (Wrexham) 2022</i>
22 Monday	Purple	4th Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 22, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Week of Advent with material for Dec 22.
23 Tuesday	Purple	4th Week of Advent; optionally, as a Commemoration, St John of Kanty, Priest <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 23, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Week of Advent with material for Dec 23.
24 Wednesday	Purple	4th Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 24, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Week of Advent with material for Dec 24. <i>John Fahy (Cardiff) 2008</i>

CHRISTMASTIDE

After the annual celebration of the Paschal Mystery, there is no more ancient feastday for the Church than the recalling of the memory of the Nativity of the Lord and of the mysteries of his first appearing. This is the purpose of Christmas Time. For the rite of blessing a Christmas Manger or Nativity Scene at Mass or during a carol service, see pages 583-591 of the *Book of Blessings*. The rite of blessing a Christmas Tree is on pages 593-600. *The Cycle of Prayer:* Christmastide continues the themes begun in Advent: Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers.

EVENING:	+WHITE	THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (SOLEMNITY) - CHRISTMAS VIGIL <i>Mass:</i> The Vigil Mass of the Nativity has its own Proper Readings in the Lectionary. Gloria, Creed, and, if using Eucharistic Prayer I, special insertions for Christmas.
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Note genuflection during the Creed when the Incarnation is mentioned.

Text for the Proclamation of the Birth of Christ from the Roman Martyrology is at tinyurl.com/BirthChant – this may be chanted as part of the Liturgy of the Hours on the evening of 24 December, or immediately before (not during) Midnight Mass.

Office: It is very appropriate to keep a solemn vigil by celebrating the Office of Readings before Midnight Mass. Night Prayer is not recited by those who attend the Office of Readings and Midnight Mass; otherwise, Night Prayer I of Sundays and Solemnities is celebrated.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

25 THURSDAY +WHITE

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (SOLEMNITY) - CHRISTMAS DAY

Mass: The Readings may be interchanged from the formulae provided for Mass at Midnight, at Dawn, and During the Day. Gloria, Creed, and Christmas inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Note genuflection during the Creed when the Incarnation is mentioned. All priests may celebrate three (stipended) Masses today on condition that they are celebrated at the proper times (Midnight, Dawn and Day).

Office: Night Prayer II of Sundays and Solemnities.
Denis Torney (Cardiff) 2007

26 FRIDAY

RED

ST STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR (FEAST)

Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Special inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. St Stephen is always named in the text of Eucharistic Prayer I.

Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday. Evening Prayer is of December 26 in the Octave of Christmas.
John Meredith (Cardiff) 2013

27 SATURDAY

WHITE

ST JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST (FEAST)

Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used.

Office: Evening Prayer I of the Feast of Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING:

+WHITE

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (FEAST)

Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy; Evening Prayer I of the Feast of the Holy Family.

28 SUNDAY **+WHITE** **THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (FEAST)**
Mass: Gloria. Creed. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used.
Office: Evening Prayer II of the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Vincent Daly (Wrexham) 2005; John O'Regan (Cardiff) 2016

29 Monday **White** **Fifth Day within the Octave of Christmas; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr**
Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used.
Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday. Evening Prayer is of December 29 in the Octave of Christmas.

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RED **ST THOMAS BECKET, BISHOP AND MARTYR, PATRON OF THE PASTORAL CLERGY OF ENGLAND AND WALES (FEAST)**
Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Proper Readings at Lectionary II 819.
Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday. *Michael Martin (Cardiff) 2001*

30 Tuesday **White** **Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas**
Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used.
Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday. Evening Prayer is of December 30 in the Octave of Christmas.

31 Wednesday **White** **Seventh Day within the Octave of Christmas; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Sylvester I**
Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used.
Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday.
 A plenary indulgence is granted, under the usual conditions, for devoutly assisting at the recitation or solemn singing, in a church or oratory, of the hymn, Te Deum, in thanksgiving for all the benefits received in the course of the last year.

Marshall Gibbs (Cardiff) 2004; Pope BENEDICT XVI 2022

EVENING: **WHITE** **MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (SOLEMNITY)**
Mass: Gloria. Creed.

JANUARY 2026

The Pope's Intention: ***For prayer with the Word of God.*** Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

1 THURSDAY	WHITE	<p>MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary ("on the Solemnity of the Motherhood..."). Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used.</p> <p>A plenary indulgence is granted, under the usual conditions, for the devout recitation in a church or oratory of the hymn, <i>Veni Creator</i>, imploring divine aid for the course of the New Year.</p>
2 Friday	White	<p>Sts Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Leonard John Quigley (Wrexham) 2016</i></p>

On weekdays within Christmastide from 2 January onwards, Optional Memorials may be kept in the same way as during Ordinary Time. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it, may an appropriate Mass for Various Needs or a Votive Mass be celebrated. Daily Masses for the Dead are not allowed.

3 Saturday	White	<p>Weekdays before Epiphany: 3 January <i>Mass:</i> Preface I, II or III of Christmas.</p>
	or: White	<p>The Most Holy Name of Jesus <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - no Proper Texts currently available in English, but the collect from the Missal could be used as a concluding prayer.</p>
		PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
	EVENING: +WHITE	<p>SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.</p>
4 SUNDAY	+WHITE	<p>SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Preface I, II or III of Christmas.</p>
5 Monday	White	<p>Weekdays before Epiphany: 5 January <i>Mass:</i> Preface I, II or III of Christmas.</p>
	EVENING: +WHITE	<p>THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. The Vigil of the Epiphany has its own proper prayers for Mass.</p>
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION		
6 TUESDAY	+WHITE	<p>THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD <i>Mass:</i> Gloria, Creed. Proper Preface of the Epiphany, and, if using Eucharistic Prayer I, special insertions for Epiphany.</p>

At today's Mass, following the Gospel, it is permitted to proclaim the dates of movable feasts for the coming year, in the form given at the end of Appendix I of the Roman Missal. For the rite of blessing homes during the Christmas Season, traditionally carried out on or near the Epiphany of the Lord, see pages 601-610 of the *Book of Blessings*.

7 Wednesday	White	Wednesday after the Epiphany <i>Mass:</i> Preface of the Epiphany or Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord; Readings of 7 January.
	<i>or:</i> White	St Raymond of Peñafort, Priest <i>John Owen Chadwick (Wrexham) 2019</i>
8 Thursday	White	Thursday after the Epiphany <i>Mass:</i> Preface of the Epiphany or Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord; Readings of 8 January.
9 Friday	White	Friday after the Epiphany <i>Mass:</i> Preface of the Epiphany or Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord; Readings of 9 January <i>Steven Marsh (Wrexham) 2003</i>
10 Saturday	White	Saturday after the Epiphany <i>Mass:</i> Preface of the Epiphany or Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord; Readings of 10 January.
		PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
	<i>EVENING:</i> +WHITE	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (FEAST) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
11 SUNDAY	+WHITE	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Proper Preface. <i>Office:</i> Prayer During the Day: Sunday Week 3 Psalms. <i>Andrew Maggs (Cardiff) 2005</i>

ORDINARY TIME - WINTER

During Ordinary Time (from now until Ash Wednesday), Votive Masses and the Daily Mass for the Dead are again permitted. Eucharistic Prayer IV may be used on Sundays, unless they are Solemnities or Feasts of the Lord with their own Proper Prefaces. In Votive Masses, including Our Lady's Mass on Saturdays, vestments proper to the colour of the Votive Mass may be used, or the colour of the occurring day, or of the season. On ferial days of Ordinary Time, the Mass texts may be of the Liturgy of the Day (taken from one of the 34 sets found in the Missal) or of any saint whose name is inscribed in the Roman Martyrology on that day, or may be a Votive Mass or one of the Masses for various occasions or needs, as set out in the Missal and Lectionary. The Ferial Cycle of readings should, however, be maintained as far as possible.

Proper Readings are to be used on Solemnities, Feasts, and on those Memorials for which the Lectionary explicitly indicates that one or more readings are Proper. On Obligatory

Memorials, the proper prayers given in the Missal must be used. However, if only the Collect is proper, other prayers may be taken from the appropriate Common or from the Liturgy of the Day. **The Cycle of Prayer:** In the Winter Season of Ordinary Time, we are invited to pray for these intentions: Peace on Earth; Openness to the Word of God; Christian Unity; Victims of Human Trafficking and Those Who Work to Combat It; The Sick and Those Who Care for Them; The Unemployed.

12 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1
<i>or:</i>	White	Herefordshire: St Aelred of Rievaulx, Abbot
13 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1
<i>or:</i>	White	St Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
14 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1
15 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1
16 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 1 <i>James Fealey (Wrexham) 2022</i>
17 Saturday	White	St Anthony, Abbot (<i>memorial</i>)
		PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
18 SUNDAY	+GREEN	2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass: Gloria. Creed. Peace Sunday - see www.paxchristi.org.uk

The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins today, 18 January. The Votive Mass for Christian Unity (RM 1336) may be used on any day within the Octave which admits Votive Masses; the Eucharistic Prayer for Various Needs cannot be used with this Votive Mass because it contains its own Proper Preface.

19 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 2
<i>or:</i>	White	Herefordshire: St Wulstan, Bishop, Religious
20 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 2
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Fabian, Pope and Martyr
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Sebastian, Martyr
21 Wednesday	Red	St Agnes, Virgin and Martyr (<i>memorial</i>) Mass: St Agnes is named in the full text of EP I.
22 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 2
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Vincent, Deacon and Martyr
23 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 2

24 Saturday	White	St Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (memorial) <i>Patrick (Paddy) Breen (Wrexham) 2015</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	3RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
25 SUNDAY	+GREEN	3RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass: Gloria. Creed. Sunday of the Word of God: Prayers are recommended for openness to the Word of God. A plenary indulgence is granted, on the usual conditions, to those who with due veneration read Sacred Scripture for at least one-half hour. This indulgence is applicable all year. See also www.godwhospeaks.uk <i>Deacon Peter Hunter (Wrexham) 2017</i>
26 Monday	White	Sts Timothy and Titus, Bishops (memorial) Mass: The First Reading is always from the Proper.
27 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 3
<i>or:</i>	White	St Angela Merici, Virgin
28 Wednesday	White	St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church (memorial)
29 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 3
30 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 3
31 Saturday	White	St John Bosco, Priest (memorial)
		PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	4TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

FEBRUARY 2026

The Pope's Intention: ***For children with incurable diseases.*** Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

1 SUNDAY	+GREEN	4TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass: Gloria. Creed. Racial Justice Sunday - see www.carj.org.uk
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2 MONDAY	WHITE	THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (FEAST) Mass: Gloria. The Penitential Rite is omitted in favour of the blessing of candles. The Missal foresees that Mass begins with a procession from a separate gathering place, or a solemn entry at the Church doors. Only one reading before Gospel: Lectionary II p. 843. World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life
3 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 4
or:	Red	St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr
or:	White	St Ansgar, Bishop For the rite of blessing throats, see pages 611-620 of the <i>Book of Blessings</i> .
4 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 4 <i>Thomas Keane (Cardiff) 2015</i>
5 Thursday	Red	St Agatha, Virgin and Martyr (memorial) Mass: St Agatha is named in the extended text of EP I.
6 Friday	Red	St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs (memorial) <i>Bernard Norris (Menevia) 2017</i>
7 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 4
or:	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+GREEN	5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
8 SUNDAY	+GREEN	5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass: Gloria. Creed. Today is a day of special prayer for victims of human trafficking and those who work to combat it. <i>Ray O'Shea (Cardiff) 2021</i>
9 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 5
or:	White	Wales: St Teilo, Bishop
10 Tuesday	White	St Scholastica, Virgin (memorial) <i>Pierce Maher (Cardiff) 2011</i>
11 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 5
or:	White	Our Lady of Lourdes World Day for the Sick
12 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 5

13 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 5
14 SATURDAY	WHITE	ST CYRIL, MONK, AND ST METHODIUS, BISHOP, PATRONS OF EUROPE (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Proper, supplemented by Common of Pastors: Founders of Churches, or Missionaries.
		PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
15 SUNDAY	+GREEN	6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Day of Prayer for the Unemployed
16 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 6
17 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 6
<i>or:</i>	White	Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

LENT

The season of Lent is a preparation for the celebration of Easter. The liturgy prepares the catechumens for the celebration of the paschal mystery by the various stages of Christian initiation; it also prepares the faithful, who recall their baptism and do penance in preparation for Easter. The Lenten Alms Box should be placed in the Church.

The two Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation may be appropriately used in Lent, with their Proper Prefaces up until the end of the fourth week of Lent, and with appropriate Lenten Prefaces at any time. Memorials which occur on a weekday may be commemorated, if wished, only by using the collect of the saint in place of the collect for the Mass of the Day. At the Office of Readings, the proper reading of a Commemoration, with its antiphon, is used following the Second Reading of the Season; at Morning and Evening Prayer, the Gospel Antiphon and Closing Prayer of the Commemoration are recited after the closing prayer of the day. Votive Masses and the Daily Mass for the Dead are not permitted. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it, may an appropriate Mass for Various Needs be celebrated.

The Alleluia is always omitted, both in the Liturgy of the Hours and in Mass. Gloria and *Te Deum* are omitted on Sundays, but retained for solemnities, feasts, and particular celebrations. It is not permitted to adorn the altar with flowers, and the organ and other instruments may only be played for the purpose of sustaining the singing. An exception is made for *Laetare* Sunday, and for solemnities and feasts. For the celebration of marriages, the parish priest should alert spouses to the need to take account of the particular penitential character of this season. The Nuptial Mass is allowed during Lent, but no weddings may be celebrated during the Sacred Triduum.

The Cycle of Prayer: During Lent, we are invited to pray for these intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments, (especially on the Sundays of Lent); Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

18 WEDNESDAY	PURPLE	ASH WEDNESDAY <i>A day of penance by fasting and abstinence from meat.</i> Mass: The penitential act is omitted, in favour of the blessing and distribution of ashes which takes place after the homily. Lenten Preface IV is used. The ashes are of branches of the olive tree or, according to custom, of the palm tree or other trees, which have been blessed the previous year. The blessing and distribution of ashes may take place outside Mass. It is opportune for this to occur in a Liturgy of the Word, as described in the Roman Missal, or on pages 621-628 of the <i>Book of Blessings</i> . In this case, the ashes are blessed and distributed after the homily and the celebration concludes with the Prayer of the Faithful. Office: At Morning Prayer, the psalms and canticles of Friday Week 3 may be used. Otherwise from now until Saturday the psalmody is taken from PSALTER WEEK 4. <i>James Webb (Wrexham) 2013</i>
19 Thursday	Purple	Thursday after Ash Wednesday Mass: Preface I-IV of Lent.
20 Friday	Purple	Friday after Ash Wednesday Mass: Preface I-IV of Lent.
21 Saturday	Purple	Saturday after Ash Wednesday; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Mass: Preface I-IV of Lent. <p style="text-align: right;">PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A</p>
EVENING:	+PURPLE	1ST SUNDAY OF LENT Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
22 SUNDAY	+PURPLE	1ST SUNDAY OF LENT Mass: Creed. Proper Preface of the First Sunday of Lent. The Rite of Election takes place at the Cathedral today (an additional rite may have been scheduled yesterday in Cardiff-Menevia).
23 Monday	Purple	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr Mass: Preface I-IV of Lent.
24 Tuesday	Purple	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent Mass: Preface I-IV of Lent.
25 Wednesday	Purple	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent Mass: Preface I-IV of Lent.

26 Thursday	Purple	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
27 Friday	Purple	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent; optionally, as a Commemoration, Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent. CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day.
28 Saturday	Purple	Weekday, 1st Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent. <i>Archbishop MICHAEL McGRATH (3rd Bishop of Menevia, 3rd Archbishop of Cardiff) 1961; Patrick Daly (Cardiff) 2021</i> PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+PURPLE	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

MARCH 2026

The Pope's Intention: **For disarmament and peace.** Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

1 SUNDAY	+PURPLE	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Proper Preface of the Transfiguration.
2 Monday <i>IN WALES</i>	WHITE	ST DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES, PATRON OF WREXHAM DIOCESE AND TITULAR OF CARDIFF CATHEDRAL; SECONDARY PATRON OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CARDIFF-MENEVIA (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Proper Readings: Lectionary I 947 or II 860. Preface of Pastors. <i>Office:</i> Those without access to the full Proper for Wales may use the material at M&EP 1183, DP 317*, DO-I 187* or DO-II 202*. A PDF file containing proper material for celebrating Morning and Evening prayer for St David's Day may be downloaded from: tinyurl.com/DavidTexts
<i>IN HEREFORDSHIRE</i>	WHITE	ST DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Readings at Lectionary II 864. <i>Office:</i> Proper Texts as above.
3 Tuesday	Purple	Weekday, 2nd Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent. <i>Deacon John Tarbrook (Wrexham) 2006</i>

4 Wednesday	Purple	Weekday, 2nd Week of Lent; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Casimir <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
5 Thursday	Purple	Weekday, 2nd Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
6 Friday	Purple	Weekday, 2nd Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent. World Day of Prayer: see www.wwdp.org.uk <i>Bishop JAMES HANNIGAN (8th Bishop of Menevia, 1st Bishop of Wrexham) 1994; Archbishop PETER SMITH (6th Archbishop of Cardiff) 2020</i>
7 Saturday	Purple	Weekday, 2nd Week of Lent; optionally, as a Commemoration, Ss Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent. Sts Perpetua and Felicity are named in EP I. <i>Thomas Nulty (Cardiff) 2004</i>
PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A		
EVENING:	+PURPLE	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
8 SUNDAY	+PURPLE	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Mass:</i> Creed. If there are Candidates for Baptism, the First Scrutiny takes place, always using the Readings of Cycle A and the Preface of the Third Sunday of Lent.
9 Monday	Purple	Weekday, 3rd Week of Lent; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Frances of Rome, Religious <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
<hr/> <p>In order to promote baptismal catechesis, it is permissible to take once more on the most suitable day this week (provided it does not coincide with a solemnity or feast) the Gospel of the Samaritan Woman, assigned to the previous Sunday, instead of that of the weekday. When this is done, the readings are Ex 17:1-7, Ps 95(94):1-2, 6-9, Jn 4:5-42 with the matching 3rd Sunday of Lent proper preface and communion antiphon.</p> <hr/>		
10 Tuesday	Purple	Weekday, 3rd Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
11 Wednesday	Purple	Weekday, 3rd Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
12 Thursday	Purple	Weekday, 3rd Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
13 Friday	Purple	Weekday, 3rd Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent. <i>Bishop FRANCIS VAUGHAN (2nd Bishop of Menevia) 1935</i>

14 Saturday	Purple	Weekday, 3rd Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
		PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+ROSE/P	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE SUNDAY) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
15 SUNDAY	+ROSE/P	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE SUNDAY) <i>Mass:</i> Creed. If there are Candidates for Baptism, the Second Scrutiny takes place, always using the Readings of Cycle A and the Preface of the Fourth Sunday of Lent. The Lenten discipline in the use of organ, other musical instruments and flowers does not apply today, <i>Laetare</i> Sunday. For prayers and blessings in honour of mothers, see pages 644-646 of the <i>Book of Blessings</i> . <i>Michael Lewis (Cardiff-Menevia) 2025</i>
16 Monday	Purple	Weekday, 4th Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.
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In order to promote baptismal catechesis, it is permissible to take once more on the most suitable day this week (provided it does not coincide with a solemnity or feast) the Gospel of the Man Born Blind, assigned to the previous Sunday, instead of that of the weekday. When this is done, the readings are Mic 7:7-9, Ps 27(26):1,7-9,13-14, Jn 9:1-41 with the matching 4th Sunday of Lent proper preface and communion antiphon.		
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17 TUESDAY	WHITE	ST PATRICK, BISHOP, PATRON OF IRELAND (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Proper readings at Lectionary II 868.
18 Wednesday	Purple	Weekday, 4th Week of Lent; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent. <i>Paul Emmett (Wrexham) 2013</i>
EVENING:	WHITE	ST JOSEPH (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
19 THURSDAY	WHITE	ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AND TITULAR OF THE CO-CATHEDRAL IN SWANSEA. (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. <i>Office:</i> At Prayer During the Day, the Complementary Psalms with today's Proper Antiphons. For the rite of blessing food on "St Joseph's Table", see pages 629-636 of the <i>Book of Blessings</i> . <i>Augustine Caulfield (Menevia) 2001</i>
20 Friday	Purple	Weekday, 4th Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-IV of Lent.

Possible note for parish bulletins:

Clocks go forward for the start of British Summer Time next weekend.

21 Saturday **Purple** **Weekday, 4th Week of Lent**
Mass: Preface I-IV of Lent.

The practice of covering crosses and images in the church from this evening may be observed. Crosses remain covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday; images until the Easter Vigil begins.

PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING: **+PURPLE** **5TH SUNDAY OF LENT**
Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

22 SUNDAY **+PURPLE** **5TH SUNDAY OF LENT**
Mass: Creed. If there are Candidates for Baptism, the Third Scrutiny takes place, always using the Readings of Cycle A and the Preface of the Fifth Sunday of Lent.

23 Monday **Purple** **Weekday, 5th Week of Lent; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop**
Mass: Preface I of the Passion of the Lord.
Shaji Punnattu (Wrexham) 2023

In order to promote baptismal catechesis, it is permissible to take once more on the most suitable day this week (provided it does not coincide with a solemnity or feast) the Gospel of Lazarus, assigned to the previous Sunday, instead of that of the weekday. When this is done, the readings are Ez 37:12-14, Ps 17(16):1, 6-8,15, Jn 11:1-45 with the matching proper preface and communion antiphon from the Fifth Sunday of Lent.

24 Tuesday **Purple** **Weekday, 5th Week of Lent**
Mass: Preface I of the Passion of the Lord.
Michael F. Tomkins (Wrexham) 2008

EVENING: **WHITE** **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY)**
Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

25 WEDNESDAY **WHITE** **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY)**
Mass: Gloria. Creed. Note genuflection during the Creed when the Incarnation is mentioned.
Office: At Prayer During the Day, antiphons for the Annunciation together with Complementary Psalms.

26 Thursday **Purple** **Weekday, 5th Week of Lent**
Mass: Preface I of the Passion of the Lord.
Francis Murphy (Cardiff) 2006

27 Friday	Purple	Weekday, 5th Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I of the Passion of the Lord. <i>Archbishop JOHN ALOYSIUS WARD O.F.M.Cap. (7th Bishop of Menevia, 5th Archbishop of Cardiff) 2007; Sean Clancy (Menevia) 2015</i>
28 Saturday	Purple	Weekday, 5th Week of Lent <i>Mass:</i> Preface I of the Passion of the Lord. <i>William Isaac (Cardiff) 2021</i>

Clocks go forward for the start of British Summer Time tonight.

In Holy Week the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his earthly life, from his messianic entry into Jerusalem, until his blessed Passion and glorious Resurrection. The weekdays of this week are dedicated to the celebration of penance, abstaining from the celebration of the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, since these have their natural place in the Easter Vigil. Lent continues until Maundy Thursday.

The rites of Holy Week, that is to say the blessing and procession of palms, the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Solemn Celebration of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday and the Easter Vigil, may be celebrated in all churches and chapels. In churches other than parish churches, and in chapels, it is best that these rites be celebrated only if this can be done worthily – that is to say, with an appropriate number of ministers, with the possibility of singing at least some parts of the liturgy, and with a sufficiently large congregation of faithful. Otherwise, it is best that these liturgies be celebrated only in parish churches and in other more important churches. Pastors should take care to instruct the faithful on the meaning and structure of the rites enacted in these days, and so lead them to an active and fruitful participation.

PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING:	+RED	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
29 Sunday	+Red	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD <i>Mass:</i> The blessing of palms and Procession, Solemn Entrance or Simple Entrance replace the Penitential Act; Mass begins with the Collect. There should be only one Procession, to be celebrated before Mass on either the Saturday evening or on the Sunday itself; the Solemn Entrance, without procession, may be repeated at another Mass which is habitually celebrated with a large gathering of the people. For the spiritual good of the faithful it is appropriate that the narrative of the Passion be read in its entirety, without however omitting the other readings which precede it. After the reading of the Passion, there should be a homily, even if only a brief one. The Passion is read according to the rubrics in the Missal; at the end is said <i>Verbum Domini</i> ("The Gospel of the Lord"), but the book is not kissed. Creed. Proper Preface.

The liturgical books do not provide for the blessing of palm branches apart from the entrance rites of the Palm Sunday Mass.

On this day, the Church enters upon the mystery of the Death, Burial and Resurrection of her Lord, brings together the triumphal procession of Christ as King and the proclamation of his Passion. Both aspects of the paschal mystery should be explained in the catechesis of the day. Where it is not possible to celebrate Mass, there should be held a Liturgy of the Word about the Lord's messianic entry and his Passion, either on the Saturday evening or at a suitable time on the Sunday.

30 MONDAY	PURPLE	MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK <i>Mass:</i> Preface II of the Passion of the Lord.
31 TUESDAY	PURPLE	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK <i>Mass:</i> Preface II of the Passion of the Lord.

APRIL 2026

The Pope's Intention: *For priests in crisis*. Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

1 WEDNESDAY	PURPLE	WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK <i>Mass:</i> Preface II of the Passion of the Lord. <i>Deacon John Abbot (Wrexham) 2016</i>
2 THURSDAY	WHITE	THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK (MAUNDY THURSDAY) <i>Mass:</i> In the morning: CHRISM MASS, with Gloria, Proper Preface. It is permissible to anticipate the blessing of the Holy Oils on another day, on condition that the day chosen is close to Easter and that the proper Mass is used. This Mass, which the bishop celebrates with his presbyterium, and at which the oils are blessed, manifests the unity and communion of the priests with their bishop. The faithful, too, should regularly take part and receive the Eucharist at this Mass. The readings bring out both Christ's messianic mission and its continuation in the Church by means of the sacraments. The newly blessed Oils should be borne with honour to the parish churches. The old Oils should be burned or poured into the Blessed Sacrament lamp. The reception of the sacred Oils may suitably take place before the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper or at another suitable moment. The faithful should, however, be instructed on the use of the sacred Oils and their efficaciousness in the Christian life.

Only the Chrism Mass and the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper may be celebrated today. The celebration of Funeral Masses and of Mass without a congregation are both prohibited today. Holy Communion may be distributed to the faithful only during Masses today, except for the sick, who may receive Communion at any hour.

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Christ accomplished the work of redemption and the perfect glorification of God principally through his paschal mystery, in which dying he destroyed our death and rising restored our life. Hence the Sacred Triduum of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection shines forth as the culmination of the whole liturgical year. By the celebration of the death, burial and resurrection of her Spouse, the Church means to make present and to fulfil the mystery of the Passover, the passing over of the Lord from this world to the Father.

EVENING: WHITE EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Mass: Gloria, during which bells are rung; bells then remain silent until the Easter Vigil. The mandatum (washing of feet) may be carried out. According to the revision promulgated by Pope Francis in 2016 (see tinyurl.com/Mandatum2016) if the ritual of foot-washing is carried out, those chosen should "represent the variety and the unity of each part of the people of God. Such small groups can be made up of men and women, and it is appropriate that they consist of people young and old, healthy and sick, clerics, consecrated men and women and laity."

In the procession bearing the gifts it is fitting that there be included gifts destined for the poor, especially gifts which have been collected during Lent as the fruits of penance. While this happens, the hymn *Ubi caritas* ("Where charity and love...") is sung. Proper Preface, and special version of Eucharistic Prayer I as printed for today in the Missal.

From the end of Mass until midnight, the Blessed Sacrament may be reserved publicly; it is fitting that for this purpose, a chapel should be arranged in which prayer and meditation may be fostered, but marked by that austerity which is appropriate to these days. The procession and repose of the Blessed Sacrament only takes place if the Celebration of the Lord's Passion is to take place in the same building tomorrow. RM 345 gives detailed rubrics for the procession and stripping of the altar.

Office: For those who attend the Mass of the Lord's Supper, this takes the place of Evening Prayer.

3 FRIDAY

RED

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

A day of penance marked by fasting and abstinence from meat.

Solemn Liturgy: Celebration of the Lord's Passion in the afternoon, at around 3 pm, according to the prescriptions of the liturgical books. If, however, genuine pastoral reasons require it, the celebration may take place at a more suitable time, but not before noon and not after 9 pm. No one should introduce changes on private initiative. The altar should be completely bare: without cloths, cross and candlesticks.

After the celebration of the Lord's Passion, the Blessed Sacrament should be carried to a place outside the church, or, if circumstances so require, it is placed in the tabernacle. The altar should be stripped in private, leaving however the cross and candlesticks. It is fitting that a place be arranged (as, for example, the chapel used for reposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament the previous evening), suitable for prayer and meditation, and that the cross be placed there to be adored by the faithful. A plenary indulgence is granted on the usual conditions for piously venerating the Cross during the Liturgy of the Passion.

Office: It is highly appropriate that the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer be celebrated in solemn fashion with the people. For those who attend the Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, this takes the place of Evening Prayer. Night Prayer II of Sundays is said, with the special antiphon for the Sacred Triduum.

According to a most ancient tradition, the Church does not celebrate the Eucharist on this day. Holy Communion is distributed to the faithful only during the Celebration of the Lord's Passion, but may be taken at any time to the sick who are unable to take part in this liturgy.

Of the seven Sacraments, only the Sacraments of Penance and of the Anointing of the Sick may be celebrated today. Funerals should be conducted without singing and without organ music or the ringing of bells.

4 SATURDAY

PURPLE

HOLY SATURDAY

Mass: The Church today abstains completely from the celebration of Mass. Holy Communion may only be given in the form of Viaticum.

For the rite of blessing food in readiness for the First Meal of Easter (a common custom in Eastern Europe), see pages 637-644 of the *Book of Blessings*.

Office: It is highly appropriate that the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer be celebrated in solemn fashion with the people. If it is not possible to celebrate the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer with the people's participation, there should be a celebration of the Word of

God or some devotional exercise appropriate to today's mystery, especially one that honours the Blessed Virgin Mary for her sharing in the Passion of her Son. For those who celebrate the Easter Vigil, this takes the place of Night Prayer. For those who do not attend the Vigil, Night Prayer II of Sundays is said with the special antiphon for Holy Saturday.

Of the Seven Sacraments, only Penance and the Anointing of the Sick may be celebrated today. Holy Communion may only be given as Viaticum. An image of Christ crucified or laid in the tomb may be set up in the church for the veneration of the faithful, or else a portrayal of his descent into Hell, such as casts light upon the mystery commemorated by Holy Saturday, or else an image of Our Lady of Sorrows.

Paul Chidgey (Cardiff) 2011

EASTERTIDE

The Paschal candle should be placed near the ambo or altar, and kept there for the whole Easter season until the end of Pentecost Sunday. It should be lit for the more solemn liturgical celebrations during this time, that is, for Mass and Morning and Evening Prayer. Throughout the Easter season, the Angelus is replaced by *Regina Coeli*.

The Cycle of Prayer: During Eastertide we are asked to pray for these intentions: Survivors of Abuse; New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.

PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING: +WHITE THE EASTER VIGIL

Mass: Proper Preface. Special insertions if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Double Alleluia at the dismissal.

The whole celebration of the Easter Vigil should take place at night, so that it begins after night has fallen and concludes before daybreak. The celebration of a Mass without the rites of the Easter Vigil is not allowed; nor may a Mass be celebrated at the community's customary time for a Sunday Vigil Mass, unless this time is itself after nightfall. As regards the blessing of the fire, in so far as is possible a large fire should be prepared outside the church. The Easter candle, for effective symbolism, should be made of wax, of one piece, and of considerable size, and be renewed every year.

The Exsultet may be sung, in case of necessity, by a cantor who is not a deacon, but in this event the cantor does not receive a blessing from the celebrant, and the second part of the invitation is omitted (*Quapropter* ... or "Therefore, dearest friends ...") as is the greeting ("The Lord be with

you...”). At least three readings are to be proclaimed from the Old Testament, and even in urgent circumstances at least two. The reading from the Book of Exodus is never to be omitted.

Gloria with bells. At the reading of the Gospel, incense may be used, but lights are not carried. The baptismal liturgy of the Easter Vigil reaches its fullest form when the baptism of adults, or at least children, is celebrated. However, even when the sacrament of Baptism is not celebrated, in parish churches the baptismal water should be blessed. In cases where there are neither baptisms nor blessing of the font, the sacrament of baptism should be recalled by the blessing of water, with which the faithful are then sprinkled after having renewed their baptismal promises.

5 SUNDAY	+WHITE	<p>EASTER SUNDAY: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD</p> <p><i>Mass:</i> Gloria, Sequence, Creed or Renewal of Baptismal Promises, Proper Preface. Special insertions if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Double Alleluia at the dismissal. It is desirable that at Masses with a congregation, baptismal promises should be renewed. If sprinkling with holy water has replaced the penitential rite, this is not repeated at the renewal of vows. At an evening Mass the Gospel may be Luke 24:13-35.</p> <p><i>Office:</i> For those who have attended the Easter Vigil, this takes the place of today's Office of Readings. Today, and throughout the whole Octave, Sunday Night Prayer (as after either first or second vespers), with the antiphon <i>Haec dies</i> (This is the day) instead of the short responsory.</p>
6 MONDAY	WHITE	<p>MONDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER</p> <p><i>Mass:</i> Gloria (but no Creed), Preface I of Easter. Double Alleluia added to dismissal. Use of the Sequence is optional. If using Eucharistic Prayer I, note insertions. <i>Felix Connolly (Cardiff) 2004; Patrick Kerrisk (Cardiff) 2012</i></p>
7 TUESDAY	WHITE	<p>TUESDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER</p> <p><i>Mass:</i> Gloria (but no Creed), Preface I of Easter. Double Alleluia added to dismissal. Use of the Sequence is optional. If using Eucharistic Prayer I, note insertions.</p>
8 WEDNESDAY	WHITE	<p>WEDNESDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER</p> <p><i>Mass:</i> Gloria (but no Creed), Preface I of Easter. Double Alleluia added to dismissal. Use of the Sequence is optional. If using Eucharistic Prayer I, note insertions. <i>John Donovan (Wrexham) 2009</i></p>

9 THURSDAY	WHITE	<p>THURSDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER <i>Mass:</i> Gloria (but no Creed), Preface I of Easter. Double Alleluia added to dismissal. Use of the Sequence is optional. If using Eucharistic Prayer I, note insertions.</p>
10 FRIDAY	WHITE	<p>FRIDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER <i>Mass:</i> Gloria (but no Creed), Preface I of Easter. Double Alleluia added to dismissal. Use of the Sequence is optional. If using Eucharistic Prayer I, note insertions. Since this Friday ranks as a Solemnity, abstinence from meat need not be observed.</p>
11 SATURDAY	WHITE	<p>SATURDAY OF THE OCTAVE OF EASTER <i>Mass:</i> Gloria (but no Creed), Preface I of Easter. Double Alleluia added to dismissal. Use of the Sequence is optional. If using Eucharistic Prayer I, note insertions.</p>
		PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+WHITE	<p>2ND SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.</p>
12 SUNDAY	+WHITE	<p>2ND SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE, ALSO CALLED DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Preface I of Easter. Double Alleluia added to dismissal. Use of the Sequence is optional. If using Eucharistic Prayer I, note insertions. The Mass to be celebrated is that of the Second Sunday of Easter; no changes may be made, even for special Divine Mercy celebrations. The <i>Book of Blessings</i> specifies that an image of Our Lord for public veneration should not be blessed during Mass.</p> <p>Throughout the Easter season, particular attention should be paid to the mystagogical formation of the newly baptised.</p> <p><i>Bishop THOMAS JOSEPH BROWN, O.S.B. (1st Vicar Apostolic of the Welsh District, 1st Bishop of Newport and Menevia) 1880</i></p>

In the year 2000, Pope John Paul II designated the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday; a plenary indulgence is granted (under the usual conditions) to the faithful who, on the Second Sunday of Easter, in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from affection for sin, even venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (*e.g.* "Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!"). A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation.

Priests should inform the faithful in the most suitable way of this provision. They should promptly and generously be willing to hear their confessions. On Divine Mercy Sunday, after celebrating Mass or Evening Prayer, or during devotions in honour of Divine Mercy, with the dignity that is in accord with the rite, they should lead the recitation of the prayers that have been given above. Finally, when they instruct their people, priests should gently encourage the faithful to practise works of charity or mercy as often as they can, following the example of, and in obeying the commandment of, Our Lord Jesus Christ. The full text of the Decree from the Apostolic Penitentiary is available online: tinyurl.com/DMDDecree

13 Monday **White** **Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide**
Mass: Preface I-V of Easter.
or: **Red** **St Martin I, Pope and Martyr**

When an optional memorial falls on a weekday of Easter time, it is possible to choose either the Office and Mass of the weekday, or the Office and Mass of the saint who is inscribed for that day in the calendar or in the Martyrology. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it, may an appropriate Mass for Various Needs and Occasions, or Votive Mass, be celebrated. In the weekday Office, the Invitatory antiphon, the hymns for the Office of Readings, for Morning Prayer and for Evening Prayer, and the antiphon at the Middle Hour are taken from those prescribed for the season. To the antiphons is added Alleluia, unless this is already present, or unless it does not well accord with the sense of the words.

14 Tuesday **White** **Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide**
Mass: Preface I-V of Easter.

15 Wednesday **White** **Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide**
Mass: Preface I-V of Easter.
Michael Donnellan (Menevia) 2012

16 Thursday **White** **Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide**
Mass: Preface I-V of Easter.
Bernard Whitehouse (Cardiff) 2002

17 Friday **White** **Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide**
Mass: Preface I-V of Easter.

18 Saturday **White** **Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide**
Mass: Preface I-V of Easter.

PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING: **+WHITE** **3RD SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE**
Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

19 SUNDAY **+WHITE** **3RD SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE**
Mass: Gloria. Creed. Preface I-V of Easter.

20 Monday **White** **Weekday, 3rd Week of Eastertide**
Mass: Preface I-V of Easter.
or: **White** **Wales: St Beuno, Abbot**

21 Tuesday	White	Weekday, 3rd Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
<i>or:</i>	White	St Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church <i>Richard Byron (Menevia) 2021; Pope FRANCIS 2025</i>
22 Wednesday	White	Weekday, 3rd Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
BUT IN HEREFORDSHIRE		
<i>EVENING:</i>	RED	ST GEORGE, MARTYR, PATRON OF ENGLAND (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. <i>Office:</i> See notes for tomorrow.
23 Thursday	White	Weekday, 3rd Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
<i>or:</i>	Red	St George, Martyr
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Martyrs.
BUT IN HEREFORDSHIRE		
	RED	ST GEORGE, MARTYR, PATRON OF ENGLAND (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. <i>Office:</i> Proper Hymn at M&EP 1184, DP 319* or DO-II 204*. At Prayer During the Day, the Complementary Psalms.
24 Friday	White	Weekday, 3rd Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
<i>or:</i>	Red	Herefordshire: St Adalbert, Bishop, Martyr <i>Office:</i> Texts from the Common of Martyrs.
25 SATURDAY	RED	ST MARK, EVANGELIST (FEAST) PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+WHITE	4TH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
26 SUNDAY	+WHITE	4TH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Preface I-V of Easter. The World Day of Prayer for Vocations (or Good Shepherd Sunday). This prayer intention should be explained in today's homilies and included in the Prayer of the Faithful. See also: www.ukvocation.org <i>Bishop DANIEL JOSEPH HANNON (4th Bishop of Menevia) 1946; Gregory Matus (Cardiff) 2010</i>

27 Monday	White	Weekday, 4th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
28 Tuesday	White	Weekday, 4th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
	<i>or:</i> Red	St Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr
	<i>or:</i> White	St Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Pastors.
29 WEDNESDAY	WHITE	ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, PATRON OF EUROPE (FEAST)
30 Thursday	White	Weekday, 4th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
	<i>or:</i> White	St Pius V, Pope

MAY 2026

The Pope's Intention: ***That everyone might have food.*** Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

Since the month of May largely corresponds with the fifty days of Easter, the primary focus must be on the Resurrection of Christ rather than the Mother of God. Pious exercises practised at this time could emphasise Our Lady's participation in the Paschal mystery, and Pentecost: Our Lady journeys with the Church, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Eastertide is also a time for the celebration of the sacraments of Christian initiation and of the mystagogy. Pious exercises could easily highlight the earthly role played by the glorified Queen of Heaven, here and now, in the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. (See Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy, 190.)

1 Friday	White	Weekday, 4th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
	<i>or:</i> White	St Joseph the Worker <i>Mass:</i> The Gospel is always from the Proper. A significant day for prayer focussing on the dignity of human work.
2 Saturday	White	St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (memorial) PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+WHITE	5TH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
3 SUNDAY	+WHITE	5TH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Preface I-V of Easter. <i>Matthew Kelly (Wrexham) 2001</i>

4 Monday	White	Weekday, 5th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
BUT IN HEREFORDSHIRE	RED	THE ENGLISH MARTYRS (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. <i>Eric Wastell (Menevia) 2021</i>
5 Tuesday	White	Weekday, 5th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
<i>or:</i>	White	Wales: St Asaph Today is a National Day of Prayer for the Victims and Survivors of Sexual Abuse: parishes should offer a period of prayer for this intention and include an appropriate bidding prayer on Sunday. See: cbcew.org.uk/prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse
6 Wednesday	White	Weekday, 5th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
7 Thursday	White	Weekday, 5th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
8 Friday	White	Weekday, 5th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
9 Saturday	White	Weekday, 5th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter. <i>Bishop MARK JABALÉ O.S.B.</i> <i>(10th Bishop of Menevia) 2025</i>
<i>EVENING:</i>	+WHITE	6TH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
10 SUNDAY	+WHITE	6TH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Preface I-V of Easter. <i>Francis O'Donnell (Cardiff) 2010; Deacon Geoffrey Beach (Cardiff) 2010</i>
11 Monday	White	Weekday, 6th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
12 Tuesday	White	Weekday, 6th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
<i>or:</i>	Red	Sts Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Pancras, Martyr
13 Wednesday	White	Weekday, 6th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter.
<i>or:</i>	White	Our Lady of Fatima

Office: A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

EVENING: +WHITE

VIGIL OF THE ASCENSION (SOLEMNITY)

Mass: Gloria. Creed. Note that there is a distinct Vigil Mass for the Ascension given in the Missal.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

14 THURSDAY +WHITE

ASCENSION OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY)

Mass: Gloria. Creed. Preface I or II of the Ascension of the Lord.

15 Friday White

Friday after the Ascension

Mass: Preface I-V of Easter or I or II of the Ascension of the Lord.

Where it is desirable or customary to celebrate a novena of prayer in preparation for Pentecost, this begins today.

16 Saturday White

Saturday after the Ascension

Mass: Preface I-V of Easter or I or II of the Ascension of the Lord.

PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING: +WHITE

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

17 SUNDAY +WHITE

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE

Mass: Gloria. Creed. Preface I or II of the Ascension of the Lord. World Communications Day.

18 Monday White

Weekday, 7th Week of Eastertide

Mass: Preface I-V of Easter or I or II of the Ascension.

or: **Red**

St John I, Pope and Martyr

Today is the anniversary of the inauguration of Pope Leo XIV in 2025. A special mention of the Pope should be made in the Prayer of the Faithful at all Masses.

19 Tuesday White

Weekday, 7th Week of Eastertide

Mass: Preface I-V of Easter or I or II of the Ascension.

or: **White**

Herefordshire: St Dunstan, Bishop

20 Wednesday White

Weekday, 7th Week of Eastertide

Mass: Preface I-V of Easter or I or II of the Ascension.

or: **White**

St Bernardine of Siena, Missionary Priest, Religious

21 Thursday White

Weekday, 7th Week of Eastertide

Mass: Preface I-V of Easter or I or II of the Ascension.

or: **Red**

St Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Office: Use texts from the Common of Martyrs.

22 Friday	White	Weekday, 7th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter or I or II of the Ascension of the Lord.
<i>or:</i>	White	St Rita of Cascia, Religious <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use the Common of Holy Women (Religious but not Virgin).

23 Saturday	White	Weekday, 7th Week of Eastertide <i>Mass:</i> Preface I-V of Easter or I or II of the Ascension.
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BUT IN CARDIFF-MENEVIA ARCHDIOCESE

	WHITE	DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Preface of the Dedication of a Church. <i>Office:</i> At Prayer During the Day, antiphons and psalms of the occurring weekday. <i>Charles Wall (Menevia) 2003</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+RED	VIGIL OF PENTECOST (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> There is a distinct Vigil Mass for Pentecost given in the Missal, which may optionally be celebrated with an extended series of readings from the Lectionary. Gloria. Creed. Preface of Pentecost. Special inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I, if used.
24 SUNDAY	+RED	PENTECOST SUNDAY (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Sequence. Creed. Preface of Pentecost. Special inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I, if used. Double Alleluia at dismissal. A significant day when prayers are recommended for the Church. <i>Nicholas Jenkins (Menevia) 2023</i>

ORDINARY TIME - SUMMER

The Paschal Candle is no longer kept in the sanctuary, but moved to the baptistry, where it is kept with due honour and lit at baptisms. At funerals it may be placed near the coffin, and lit, to signify that Christian death is a true Passover. The recitation of the Angelus is resumed. Eucharistic Prayer IV may be again used on Sundays, unless they are Solemnities or Feasts of the Lord with their own Proper Prefaces.

The Readings of Ordinary Time continue from the 8th week of Cycle II.

The Cycle of Prayer: During Ordinary Time (Summer), *i.e.* up to September, we are asked to pray for these intentions: A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.

25 Monday	White	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church <i>Mass:</i> For proper texts, see Lectionary Volume III p. 1022 and Roman Missal p. 1411.
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26 Tuesday	White	St Philip Neri, Priest (<i>memorial</i>)
27 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 8
	<i>or:</i> White	St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
	BUT IN HEREFORDSHIRE	
	WHITE	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP (FEAST)
28 THURSDAY	WHITE	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. For proper texts, see Lectionary I p. 962 or Lectionary III p. 1024 and Roman Missal p. 1395.
29 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 8
	<i>or:</i> White	St Paul VI, Pope <i>Mass:</i> Latin texts at: tinyurl.com/PauliVI – for English use Common of Pastors: For a Pope. <i>Paschal Dormer (Wrexham) 2021</i>
30 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 8
	<i>or:</i> W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
	<i>EVENING:</i> +WHITE	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
31 SUNDAY	+WHITE	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Preface of the Most Holy Trinity. Texts at RM 533, Lectionary Volume I p. 910. <i>Office:</i> Texts at DP 478 / DO-III 3 / M&EP 301. At Prayer During the Day, the Psalms of Sunday Week I together with today's antiphons.

JUNE 2026

The Pope's Intention: *For the values of sports.* Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

1 Monday	Red	St Justin, Martyr (<i>memorial</i>)
2 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 9
	<i>or:</i> Red	Sts Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs <i>Mass:</i> Sts Marcellinus and Peter are named in the extended text of Eucharistic Prayer I. <i>Bishop JOHN PETIT (5th Bishop of Menevia) 1973</i>
3 Wednesday	Red	St Charles Lwanga and Co., Martyrs (<i>memorial</i>)
4 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 9

5 Friday	Red	St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr (<i>memorial</i>) <i>James Mulvihill (Cardiff) 2011; Joseph Henry Clarke (Wrexham) 2011</i>
6 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 9
	<i>or:</i> White	St Norbert, Bishop
	<i>or:</i> W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday <i>Deacon Cliff Howe (Wrexham) 2015</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+WHITE	THE BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD (SOLEMNITY) Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
7 SUNDAY	+WHITE	THE BODY AND BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (SOLEMNITY) Mass: Gloria. Optional Sequence. Creed. Preface I or II of the Most Holy Eucharist. Texts at RM 537, Lectionary Volume I, 913. Office: Texts at DP 481 / DO-III 21 / M&EP 310. At Prayer During the Day, the Psalms of Sunday Week I together with today's antiphons. <i>William Boxall (Cardiff) 2016</i>
8 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 10
9 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 10
	<i>or:</i> White	St Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church
	<i>or:</i> White	Herefordshire: St Columba, Abbot
10 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 10
11 Thursday	Red	St Barnabas, Apostle (<i>memorial</i>) Mass: The First Reading is always taken from the Proper. St Barnabas is always named in EP I. <i>Bernard Murphy (Wrexham) 2001</i>
EVENING:	WHITE	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS (SOLEMNITY) Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
12 FRIDAY	WHITE	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS (SOLEMNITY) Mass: Gloria. Creed. Proper Preface. Texts at RM p. 540, Lectionary Volume I p. 921. Office: Texts at DP 495 / DO-III 42 / M&EP 321. At Prayer During the Day, the Complementary Psalms together with today's antiphons. When a Solemnity falls on a Friday, abstinence from meat need not be observed.

13 Saturday	White	The Immaculate Heart of Mary <i>Mass:</i> The Gospel is always taken from the Proper. Preface I or II of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Texts at Lectionary III p. 1035 and RM 916. <i>John Lochran (Wrexham) 2024</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	11TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
14 SUNDAY	+GREEN	11TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed.
15 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 11
16 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 11
<i>or:</i>	White	Herefordshire: St Richard of Chichester, Bishop
17 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 11 <i>Patrick McNamara (Wrexham) 2008</i>
18 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 11
19 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 11
<i>or:</i>	White	St Romuald, Abbot <i>Archbishop JAMES ROMANUS BILSBORROW O.S.B. (First Metropolitan Archbishop of Cardiff – Titular Archbishop of Cius) 1931</i>
20 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 11
<i>or:</i>	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
<i>or:</i>	Red	Wales: St Alban, St Julius and St Aaron, Protomartyrs of Britain <i>Office:</i> Proper Texts at M&EP 1187, DP 321* or DO-III 430*.
<i>or:</i>	Red	Herefordshire: St Alban, Martyr <i>Office:</i> Proper Texts at M&EP 1186 and as above. Today is the anniversary of the installation of the Most Revd Mark O'Toole as Archbishop of Cardiff in 2022.
		PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	12TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
21 SUNDAY	+GREEN	12TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Day for Life: Prayers are recommended for the protection of human life: see cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life Fathers' Day. For special prayers and blessings in honour of fathers, see pages 647-648 of the <i>Book of Blessings</i> .

22 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 12
or:	White	St Paulinus of Nola, Bishop
or:	Red	Sts John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs
BUT IN HEREFORDSHIRE		
	RED	ST JOHN FISHER & ST THOMAS MORE, BISHOP, MARTYRS (FEAST)
23 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 12
or:	White	Herefordshire: St Ethelreda (Audrey), Abbess
		Today is the anniversary of the installation of the Most Revd Mark O'Toole as Bishop of Menevia in 2022.
EVENING:	WHITE	THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST (SOLEMNITY)
		Mass: Gloria. Creed. Proper Mass texts and Readings for the Vigil. St John the Baptist is always named in EP I.
24 WEDNESDAY	WHITE	THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST (SOLEMNITY)
		Mass: Gloria. Creed. St John the Baptist is always named in the text of Eucharistic Prayer I.
		Office: At Prayer During the Day, antiphons of St John the Baptist with the Complementary Psalms.
25 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 12
26 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 12
		<i>Harding Rees (Menevia) 2017</i>
27 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 12
or:	White	St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
or:	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
		<i>Deacon Peter Copeman (Wrexham) 2012; Frank Slater (Cardiff) 2024</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+RED	STS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES (SOLEMNITY)
		Mass: Proper texts for the Vigil Mass; see below.
28 SUNDAY	+RED	STS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES (SOLEMNITY)
		Mass: Gloria. Creed. Proper Preface. Sts Peter and Paul are always named in the text of Eucharistic Prayer I.
		Office: At Prayer During the Day, antiphons for Sts Peter & Paul together with Complementary Psalms.
29 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 13
30 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 13
or:	Red	The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

JULY 2026

The Pope's Intention: *For respect for human life*. Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

1 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 13
<i>or:</i>	Red	Herefordshire: St Oliver Plunket, Bishop, Martyr
2 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 13
3 FRIDAY	RED	ST THOMAS, APOSTLE (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> St Thomas is named in the extended text of EP I.
4 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 13
<i>or:</i>	White	St Elizabeth of Portugal
<i>or:</i>	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
		PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
5 SUNDAY	+GREEN	14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. <i>Michael Fewell (July) 2021</i>
6 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 14
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
7 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 14 <i>James Morrissey (Menevia) 2013</i>
8 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 14
9 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 14
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Co., Martyrs <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Martyrs.
10 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 14
11 SATURDAY	WHITE	ST BENEDICT, ABBOT, PATRON OF EUROPE (FEAST)
		PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	15TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
12 SUNDAY	+GREEN	15TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. See Sunday stellamaris.org.uk
13 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 15
<i>or:</i>	White	St Henry

14	Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 15
	or:	White	St Camillus de Lellis, Priest <i>Sean Kearney (Cardiff) 2016</i>
15	Wednesday	White	St Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor (<i>memorial</i>)
16	Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 15
	or:	White	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
17	Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 15
18	Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 15
	or:	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
			PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
	EVENING:	+GREEN	16TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
19	SUNDAY	+GREEN	16TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass: Gloria. Creed. <i>John Hipkins (Wrexham) 2010; Michael Hagerty (Cardiff) 2011</i>
20	Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 16
	or:	Red	St Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr Office: A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Martyrs.
21	Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 16
	or:	White	St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor
22	WEDNESDAY	WHITE	ST MARY MAGDALENE (FEAST) Mass: Readings from the Proper. A proper Preface is available: tinyurl.com/MagEngPref
23	THURSDAY	WHITE	ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, RELIGIOUS, EUROPE PATRON (FEAST) Where St John Lloyd or St Philip Evans are celebrated as solemnities, they are kept today using the material in the liturgical books for 23 July. Otherwise they may be kept as a votive celebration on a nearby date which is not impeded.
24	Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 16
	or:	White	St Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest Office: A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Pastors.
25	SATURDAY	RED	ST JAMES, APOSTLE (FEAST) Mass: St James is named in the full text of EP I.

PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING:	+GREEN	17TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
26 SUNDAY	+GREEN	17TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Day for Grandparents & Elderly <i>Bishop LANGTON D. FOX (6th Bishop of Menevia) 1997; Clive Loosemore (Cardiff) 2005</i>
27 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 17
28 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 17
29 Wednesday	White	Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Mass:</i> The Gospel is always from the Proper.
30 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 17
or:	White	St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
31 Friday	White	St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (<i>memorial</i>)

AUGUST 2026

The Pope's Intention: *For evangelization in the city.* Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

1 Saturday	White	St Alphonsus Mary Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (<i>memorial</i>)
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On 2nd August the plenary indulgence traditionally called the Portiuncula indulgence may be acquired in minor basilicas, shrines and parish churches. Requirements: a devout visit to a church and the recitation there of the Lord's Prayer and the Creed in addition to a sacramental confession, Holy Communion and prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff. This indulgence may be gained only once each year. The visit may be made from noon the previous day to midnight on the day itself.

PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING:	+GREEN	18TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
2 SUNDAY	+GREEN	18TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. <i>John Dermody (Menevia) 2008</i>
3 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 18
or:	White	Wales: St Germanus of Auxerre, Bishop
4 Tuesday	White	St John Mary Vianney, Priest (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Gerald Chidgey (Cardiff) 2005</i>

5 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 18
or:	White	The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major
6 THURSDAY	WHITE	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. <i>Frank Mulvey (Cardiff) 2014</i>
7 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 18
or:	Red	St Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs <i>Mass:</i> St Sixtus is named in the extended text of Eucharistic Prayer I.
or:	White	St Cajetan, Priest
8 Saturday	White	St Dominic, Priest (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Michael O'Donovan (Menevia) 2005</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+GREEN	19TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
9 SUNDAY	+GREEN	19TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed.
10 MONDAY	RED	ST LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> St Lawrence is named in the extended text EP I.
11 Tuesday	White	St Clare, Virgin (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Deacon David O'Keefe (Cardiff-Menevia) 2025</i>
12 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 19
or:	White	St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious <i>Office:</i> In less recent liturgical books, the material for St Jane will be found under 12 December.
13 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 19
or:	Red	Sts Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs <i>Deacon Patrick Maloney (Cardiff) 2019</i>
14 Friday	Red	St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Martyrs.
15 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 19
or:	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
		PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+WHITE	THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Proper texts for the Vigil Mass, including Proper Readings. Proper Preface.

16 SUNDAY	+WHITE	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Proper Preface. <i>Office:</i> At Prayer During the Day, antiphons for the Assumption together with Complementary Psalms. <i>Deacon Noel Williams (Cardiff) 2014</i>
17 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 20
18 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 20 <i>Patrick Daly (Menevia) 2010</i>
19 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 20
<i>or:</i>	White	St John Eudes, Priest
20 Thursday	White	St Bernard, Abbot, Doctor (<i>memorial</i>)
21 Friday	White	St Pius X, Pope (<i>memorial</i>)
22 Saturday	White	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (<i>memorial</i>) PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	21ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
23 SUNDAY	+GREEN	21ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. <i>Charles David Sansom Lloyd (Wrexham) 2019</i>
24 MONDAY	RED	ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> St Bartholemew is named in the full text of EP I. <i>George McLoughlin (Wrexham) 2014</i>
25 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 21
<i>or:</i>	White	St Louis
<i>or:</i>	White	St Joseph Calasanz, Priest
26 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 21
<i>or:</i>	Red	Wales: St David Lewis, Priest, Martyr
<i>or:</i>	White	Herefordshire: Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God Barberi, Priest <i>Office:</i> Proper Texts at M&EP 1187, DP 322* or DO-III 433*.
27 Thursday	White	St Monica (<i>memorial</i>)
28 Friday	White	St Augustine, Bishop, Doctor (<i>memorial</i>)
29 Saturday	Red	The Passion of St John the Baptist (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Mass:</i> The Gospel is always from the Proper. St John the Baptist is always named in the text of EP I.

PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

EVENING:	+GREEN	22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
30 SUNDAY	+GREEN	22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed.
31 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 22
or:	White	Herefordshire: St Aidan, Bishop, and Saints of Lindisfarne

SEPTEMBER 2026

The Pope's Intention: *For the care of water.* Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

ORDINARY TIME – AUTUMN

The Cycle of Prayer: From September to Christ the King, we are asked to pray for these intentions: The Spread of the Gospel; Students and Teachers; The Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

1 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 22 'Creation Time' runs from 1 September (designated by Pope Francis as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) until 4 October, a period to reflect prayerfully on the gift of God's Creation
2 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 22
3 Thursday	White	St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor (<i>memorial</i>)
	BUT IN HEREFORDSHIRE	
	WHITE	ST GREGORY THE GREAT, POPE, DOCTOR (FEAST)
4 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 22
or:	White	Herefordshire: St Cuthbert, Bishop <i>Daniel Williams (Menevia) 2011</i>
5 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 22
or:	White	St Teresa of Kolkata <i>Mass:</i> Common of Holy Men and Women: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy.
or:	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
		PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+GREEN	23RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

6 SUNDAY	+GREEN	23RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed.
7 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 23
8 TUESDAY	WHITE	THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (FEAST)
9 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 23
<i>or:</i>	White	St Peter Claver, Priest <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Pastors.
<i>or:</i>	White	Blessed Frederic Ozanam (in parishes with an active SVP) <i>Deacon John Toole (Wrexham) 2015</i>
10 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 23
11 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 23
<i>or:</i>	White	Wales: St Deiniol, Bishop
12 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 23
<i>or:</i>	White	The Most Holy Name of Mary <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
<i>or:</i>	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday Today is the anniversary of the installation of the Rt Revd Peter Brignall as Bishop of Wrexham in 2012.
BUT IN CARDIFF-MENEVIA ARCHDIOCESE		
	WHITE	THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY (FEAST) Titular Patron of the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	24TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
13 SUNDAY	+GREEN	24TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Education Sunday - prayers are recommended for students and for teachers. catholiceducation.org.uk
14 MONDAY	RED	THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Only one reading before the Gospel; see Lectionary III p. 1149.
15 Tuesday	White	Our Lady of Sorrows. Titular of Wrexham Cathedral. (memorial)

Mass: Optional Sequence (*Stabat Mater*). The Gospel is always from the Proper.

Brian Jones (Wrexham) 2010

16 Wednesday	Red	Sts Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (<i>memorial</i>) Mass: Sts Cornelius and Cyprian are named in the extended text of Eucharistic Prayer I. <i>Liam Shore (Cardiff-Menevia) 2025</i>
17 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 24
	or: White	St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor
	or: White	St Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin, Doctor Mass & Office: A recent addition to the calendar - use Common of Virgins or Common of Doctors
18 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 24
19 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 24
	or: Red	St Januarius, Bishop and Martyr
	or: W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
	or: White	Herefordshire: St Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+GREEN	25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
20 SUNDAY	+GREEN	25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass: Gloria. Creed. Home Mission Sunday: prayers are recommended for the spread of the Gospel. At Sunday Masses, the Statistics Count I.
21 MONDAY	RED	ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST (FEAST) Mass: St Matthew is named in the full text of EP I. <i>Rowland Evans (Cardiff) 2002</i>
22 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 25
23 Wednesday	White	St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest (<i>memorial</i>) Office: A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Pastors.
24 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 25
	BUT IN HEREFORDSHIRE	
	WHITE	OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM (FEAST)

Mass: Following the elevation of this celebration to the rank of Feast, additional proper texts can be found at tinyurl.com/OLW24Sep

Office: Collect from RM 1013.

At UK military bases and in ministry to People of the Sea, the observance of *Our Lady Star of the Sea* should be kept today as a feast. Today is also observed in the secular world as "World Maritime Day" when the International Maritime Organisation draws attention to the importance of maritime safety and marine environment.

25 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 25 <i>Michael Burke (Menevia) 2022</i>
26 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 25
<i>or:</i>	Red	Sts Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs Mass: Sts Cosmas and Damian are named in the extended text of Eucharistic Prayer I.
<i>or:</i>	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+GREEN	26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
27 SUNDAY	+GREEN	26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass: Gloria. Creed. Harvest Sunday: A Mass may be offered in thanksgiving for the Harvest, unless local custom is to do this on another weekend in this season. Prayers may be offered in thanksgiving for the Harvest, for the Fruits of Human Work, and for the Reverent Use of Creation. At Sunday Masses, the Statistics Count II.
28 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 26
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Wenceslaus, Martyr
<i>or:</i>	Red	St Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs Office: A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Martyrs.
29 TUESDAY	WHITE	STS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS (FEAST)
30 Wednesday	White	St Jerome, Priest and Doctor (<i>memorial</i>)

OCTOBER 2026

During October, the Rosary should be recommended to the faithful, and its nature and importance explained. A plenary indulgence may be gained by reciting five decades of the Rosary in Church, as a family at home, as a religious community, or as a pious fraternity, or in general whenever several persons have gathered for a good purpose; in other circumstances a partial indulgence may be gained.

The Pope's Intention: **For mental health ministry.** Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

1 Thursday	White	St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church (<i>memorial</i>)
2 Friday	White	The Holy Guardian Angels (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Mass:</i> The Gospel is always from the Proper. CAFOD Family Fast Day (Harvest) <i>John Maguire (Cardiff-Menevia) 2024</i>
3 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 26
<i>or:</i>	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	27TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
4 SUNDAY	+GREEN	27TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. At Sunday Masses, the Statistics Count III.
5 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 27
<i>or:</i>	White	St Maria Faustina (Helena) Kowalska, Virgin <i>Mass & Office:</i> A recent addition to the calendar; use Common of Virgins.
6 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 27
<i>or:</i>	White	St Bruno, Priest <i>Sylvester O'Donnell (Menevia) 2011</i>
7 Wednesday	White	Our Lady of the Rosary (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Mass:</i> Note when preaching on the Rosary: For official information on the Rosary Confraternity in Great Britain, see: tinyurl.com/GBRosaryC <i>David Eccleshare (Wrexham) 2021</i>
8 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 27

9 FRIDAY	WHITE	ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN, PRIEST, DOCTOR (FEAST) <i>Mass & Office:</i> Proper Texts at tinyurl.com/StJNewman BUT use Readings from <i>Lectionary III p. 1180.</i> <i>Deacon John Mullin (Cardiff) 2021</i>
10 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 27
	<i>or:</i> Red	St Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs
	<i>or:</i> White	St John Leonardi, Priest
	<i>or:</i> W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
	<i>or:</i> White	Herefordshire: St Paulinus of York, Bishop
		PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
11 SUNDAY	+GREEN	28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Dependents - see www.prisonadvice.org.uk At Sunday Masses, the Statistics Count IV.
12 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 28
	<i>or:</i> White	Herefordshire: St Wilfred, Bishop <i>James (Seamus) Cunnane (Menevia) 2021</i>
13 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 28
	<i>or:</i> White	Herefordshire: St Edward the Confessor <i>Mass:</i> Optional Readings: Lectionary III. <i>Office:</i> Proper Texts at M&EP 1189, DP 324* or DO-III 437*.
14 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 28
	<i>or:</i> Red	St Callistus I, Pope and Martyr <i>Philip Webb (Wrexham) 2009; David Bottrill (Menevia) 2017</i>
15 Thursday	White	St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor (memorial) <i>Peter Flanagan (Menevia) 2007</i>
16 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 28
	<i>or:</i> White	St Hedwig, Religious
	<i>or:</i> White	St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
	<i>or:</i> Red	Wales: St Richard Gwyn, Schoolmaster, Martyr

Possible note for parish bulletins:

Clocks go back for the end of British Summer Time next weekend.

17 Saturday	Red	St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Mass:</i> St Ignatius is named in the extended text of Eucharistic Prayer I.
		PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
18 SUNDAY	+GREEN	29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. World Mission Sunday: A Mass may be offered for "The Evangelisation of Peoples" and proper attention should be given in the Prayer of the Faithful. See www.missio.org.uk
19 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29
<i>or:</i>	Red	Sts John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs
<i>or:</i>	White	St Paul of the Cross, Priest
20 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29
21 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29
22 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29
<i>or:</i>	White	St John Paul II, Pope <i>Mass:</i> Proper Texts at tinyurl.com/JP2texts
23 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29
<i>or:</i>	White	St John of Capestrano, Priest
24 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29
<i>or:</i>	White	St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
<i>or:</i>	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday

Clocks go back for the end of British Summer Time tonight.

PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
25 SUNDAY	+GREEN	30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. <i>Archbishop FRANCIS MOSTYN (1st Bishop of Menevia, 2nd Archbishop of Cardiff) 1939</i>

When the anniversary of the consecration of a Church is unknown, the Dedication Festival may be kept today, Sunday October 25th.

26 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 30
<i>or:</i>	White	Herefordshire: St Chad and St Cedd, Bishops

27 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 30
28 WEDNESDAY	RED	STS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> Sts Simon and Jude are named in EP I.
29 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 30
30 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 30
31 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 30
<i>or:</i>	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
EVENING:	+WHITE	ALL SAINTS (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

NOVEMBER 2026

The Pope's Intention: *For the proper use of wealth.* Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

1 SUNDAY	+WHITE	ALL SAINTS (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. <i>Office:</i> At Prayer During the Day, antiphons for All Saints together with Complementary Psalms. <i>Bishop DANIEL MULLINS (9th Bishop of Menevia) 2019</i>
2 MONDAY	P/BLACK	THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED <i>Mass:</i> Each Priest may celebrate three masses, only one of which may carry a stipended intention. The second mass must be offered for all the Faithful Departed and the third for the Holy Father's intentions. For the rite of visiting a cemetery on All Souls' Day, see pages 649-655 of the <i>Book of Blessings</i> . <i>Donal Gillespie (Cardiff) 2014; Michael Ronan (Cardiff) 2020</i>

A plenary indulgence, applicable to all the souls in Purgatory, is granted to any of the faithful who (1) on one of the days from 1-8 November visit devoutly a cemetery or simply pray mentally for the dead; (2) on All Souls' Day visit a church or chapel with devotion and there recite the Our Father and the Creed. A partial indulgence, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to any of the faithful who (1) visit devoutly a cemetery or who simply pray mentally for the dead; (2) recite devoutly Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer of the Office of the Dead, or the invocation 'Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...'

3 Tuesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 31
<i>or:</i>	White	St Martin de Porres, Religious
<i>or:</i>	White	St Winifride, Virgin <i>Michael Cronin (Cardiff) 2018</i>

4 Wednesday	White	St Charles Borromeo, Bishop (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Deacon Patrick Byrne (Wrexham) 2002</i>
5 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 31
6 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 31
	<i>or:</i> White	Wales: St Illtud, Abbot
7 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 31
	<i>or:</i> W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
	<i>or:</i> White	Herefordshire: St Willibrord, Bishop
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	WHITE	DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH (FEAST) Mass: Gloria. Preface of the Dedication of a Church. Office: At Prayer During the Day, antiphons and psalms of the occurring weekday. <i>Peter Wilkie (Wrexham) 2016</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
8 SUNDAY	+GREEN	32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A Mass: Gloria. Creed. One Mass "For the Dead of War" (Purple/Black) is permitted for Remembrance Sunday.
9 MONDAY	WHITE	THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA (FEAST) Mass: Gloria. Proper Preface. Only one reading before the Gospel, Lectionary III p. 1213.
10 Tuesday	White	St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor (<i>memorial</i>)
11 Wednesday	White	St Martin of Tours, Bishop (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Bishop JOHN CUTHBERT HEDLEY O.S.B. (2nd Bishop of Newport and Menevia, then of the redefined Diocese of Newport) 1915; Gerald Cullen (Cardiff) 2015</i>
12 Thursday	Red	St Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Ambrose Walsh (Cardiff) 2020</i>
13 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 32
14 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 32
	<i>or:</i> W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
	<i>or:</i> White	Wales: St Dyfrig, Bishop <i>William Daly (Menevia) 2003; Philip Dwyer (Cardiff) 2011</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

<i>EVENING:</i>	+GREEN	33RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
15 SUNDAY	+GREEN	33RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A World Day of the Poor <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed.
16 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 33
<i>or:</i>	White	St Margaret of Scotland
<i>or:</i>	White	St Gertrude, Virgin
<i>or:</i>	White	Herefordshire: St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop <i>Ieuan Wyn Jones (Cardiff) 2010</i>
17 Tuesday	White	St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
But in Herefordshire	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 33
<i>or:</i>	White	St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
<i>or:</i>	White	Herefordshire: St Hilda, Abbess
<i>or:</i>	White	Herefordshire: St Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop
18 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 33
<i>or:</i>	White	The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles <i>Mass:</i> Proper Readings when this Memorial is kept. <i>Archbishop JOHN ALOYSIUS MURPHY (4th Archbishop of Cardiff) 1995</i>
19 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 33
20 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 33 <i>Thomas Dunne (Cardiff) 2001</i>
21 Saturday	White	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (<i>memorial</i>) PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE A
<i>EVENING:</i>	+WHITE	CHRIST THE KING, YEAR A (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
22 SUNDAY	+WHITE	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, YEAR A (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Youth Sunday <i>Office:</i> At Prayer During the Day, today's antiphons with the Psalms of Sunday Week 1.

23 Monday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 34
or:	Red	St Clement I, Pope and Martyr
or:	White	St Columban, Abbot
24 Tuesday	Red	St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (memorial) <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Martyrs.
25 Wednesday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 34
or:	Red	St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Virgins or Common of Martyrs.
26 Thursday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 34
27 Friday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 34 <i>Edmund Mullins (Menevia) 2019</i>
28 Saturday	Green	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 34
or:	W or G	Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday <i>John Kenneth Hughes (Menevia) 2003; J. H. Volan Evans (Cardiff) 2005; Richard Edwards (Wrexham) 2010; Owen McGreal (Menevia) 2023</i>

ADVENT 2026

Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas, when Christ's first coming to us is remembered: and as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's coming at the end of time. Advent is thus a period for devout and joyful expectation. The playing of the organ and other musical instruments, and the decoration of the altar with flowers, should be done in a moderate manner, as is consonant with the character of the season, without anticipating the full joy of the Nativity of the Lord. The same moderation should be observed in the celebration of matrimony. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it, may an appropriate Mass for Various Needs or a Votive Mass be celebrated. Daily Masses for the Dead are not allowed.

For the rite of blessing an Advent Wreath at Mass, Evening Prayer or a Liturgy of the Word, see page 573-582 of the *Book of Blessings*.

The Cycle of Prayer: During Advent and Christmastide, we are invited to pray for Migrants and Refugees, and for Expectant Mothers.

PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE B

EVENING: **+PURPLE** **1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
Mass & Office: see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.

29 SUNDAY **+PURPLE** **1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
Mass: Creed. Advent Preface I.

30 MONDAY	RED	ST ANDREW, APOSTLE, PATRON OF SCOTLAND (FEAST) <i>Mass:</i> St Andrew is always named in the text of EP I. <i>Office:</i> At Prayer During the Day, antiphons and psalms of the occurring weekday.
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DECEMBER 2026

The Pope's Intention: *For single-parent families.* Let us pray for families experiencing the absence of a mother or father, that they may find support and accompaniment in the Church, and help and strength in the Faith during difficult times.

1 Tuesday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I. <i>Dewi Davies (Cardiff) 2007</i>
2 Wednesday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
3 Thursday	White	St Francis Xavier, Priest (memorial) Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees.
4 Friday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
	<i>or:</i> White	St John Damascene, Priest and Doctor
5 Saturday	Purple	1st Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I. <i>Peter Kelly (Menevia) 2019</i>
		PSALTER WEEK 2; SUNDAY READING CYCLE B
EVENING:	+PURPLE	2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
6 SUNDAY	+PURPLE	2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Advent Preface I. <i>Deacon James Lee (Wrexham) 2024</i>
7 Monday	White	St Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor (memorial) <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or of Pastors.
EVENING:	WHITE	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
8 TUESDAY	WHITE	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (SOLEMNITY) <i>Mass:</i> Gloria. Creed. Proper Preface of the Solemnity. <i>Office:</i> At Prayer During the Day, proper antiphons and the Complementary Psalms.

9 Wednesday	Purple	2nd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
	<i>or:</i> White	St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or of Saints. <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of Holy Men.
10 Thursday	Purple	2nd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
	<i>or:</i> White	Our Lady of Loreto <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or BVM I or II. A recent addition – to the calendar, use Common of BVM II In Advent, RM p1107
	<i>or:</i> Red	Wales: St John Roberts, Priest, Martyr
11 Friday	Purple	2nd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
	<i>or:</i> White	St Damasus I, Pope <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I (even when St Damasus kept).
12 Saturday	Purple	2nd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
	<i>or:</i> White	Our Lady of Guadalupe <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I (even when Our Lady kept). <i>Office:</i> A recent addition to the Breviary - use texts from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary. <i>John Owen (Cardiff) 2018</i>

Less recent liturgical books will indicate a celebration of St Jane Frances de Chantal on this date - her observance is now permanently transferred to 12 August.

PSALTER WEEK 3; SUNDAY READING CYCLE B

<i>EVENING:</i>	+ROSE/P	3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY) <i>Mass & Office:</i> see directions for tomorrow's liturgy.
13 SUNDAY	+ROSE/P	3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY) <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Advent Preface I. The Advent moderation in the use of organ, other musical instruments, and flowers, does not apply to <i>Gaudete</i> Sunday.
14 Monday	White	St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor (<i>memorial</i>) <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I or Pastors.
15 Tuesday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.
16 Wednesday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Advent Preface I.

At Mass, proper readings are given for the weekdays from 17-24 December, and these should be used instead of those indicated for the weekdays of the third week of Advent.

The Divine Office uses the Antiphons, and hymns for Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, and the Office of Readings, as prescribed for Advent II. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it, may an appropriate Mass for Various Needs be celebrated. Votive Masses and Daily Masses for the Dead are prohibited.

Memorials which occur on days between 17 and 31 December are optional; if kept, they are to be commemorated at Mass by using the collect of the saint in place of the collect of the Mass of the day. At the Office of Readings, the proper reading of a Commemoration, with its antiphon, is used following the Second Reading of the Season; at Morning and Evening Prayer, the Gospel Antiphon and Closing Prayer of the Commemoration are recited after the closing prayer of the day.

17 Thursday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 17, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 3rd Week of Advent with material for Dec 17.
18 Friday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 18, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 3rd Week of Advent with material for Dec 18.
19 Saturday	Purple	3rd Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 19, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 3rd Week of Advent with material for Dec 19.
		PSALTER WEEK 4; SUNDAY READING CYCLE B
EVENING:	+PURPLE	4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Sunday of Advent with material for Dec 19.
20 SUNDAY	+PURPLE	4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Mass:</i> Creed. Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Sunday of Advent with material for Dec 20. Expectant Mothers' Sunday: prayer is recommended for expectant mothers. A formal blessing for expectant parents, is available at: tinyurl.com/blessXM
21 Monday	Purple	4th Week of Advent; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 21, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Week of Advent with material for Dec 21. <i>Deacon Iain Cameron (Wrexham) 2022</i>
22 Tuesday	Purple	4th Week of Advent <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 22, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Week of Advent with material for Dec 22.
23 Wednesday	Purple	4th Week of Advent; optionally, as a Commemoration, St John of Kanty, Priest <i>Mass:</i> Proper Mass for Dec 23, with Advent Preface II. <i>Office:</i> 4th Week of Advent with material for Dec 23.

24 Thursday Purple 4th Week of Advent**Mass:** Proper Mass for Dec 24, with Advent Preface II.**Office:** 4th Week of Advent with material for Dec 24.*John Fahy (Cardiff) 2008***CHRISTMASTIDE**

After the annual celebration of the Paschal Mystery, there is no more ancient feastday for the Church than the recalling of the memory of the Nativity of the Lord and of the mysteries of his first appearing. This is the purpose of Christmas Time. For the rite of blessing a Christmas Manger or Nativity Scene at Mass or during a carol service, see pages 583-591 of the *Book of Blessings*. The rite of blessing a Christmas Tree is on pages 593-600.

The Cycle of Prayer: Christmastide continues the themes begun in Advent: Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers.

EVENING: +WHITE THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (SOLEMNITY) - CHRISTMAS VIGIL

Mass: The Vigil Mass of the Nativity has its own Proper Readings in the Lectionary. Gloria, Creed, and, if using Eucharistic Prayer I, special insertions for Christmas. Note genuflection during the Creed when the Incarnation is mentioned. Text for the Proclamation of the Birth of Christ from the Roman Martyrology can be found at tinyurl.com/BirthChant – this may be chanted as part of the Liturgy of the Hours on the evening of 24 December, or immediately before (not during) Midnight Mass.

Office: It is very appropriate to keep a solemn vigil by celebrating the Office of Readings before Midnight Mass. Night Prayer is not recited by those who attend the Office of Readings and Midnight Mass; otherwise, Night Prayer I of Sundays and Solemnities is celebrated.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**25 FRIDAY +WHITE THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (SOLEMNITY) - CHRISTMAS DAY**

Mass: The Readings may be interchanged from the formulae provided for Mass at Midnight, at Dawn, and During the Day. Gloria, Creed, and Christmas inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Note genuflection during the Creed when the Incarnation is mentioned.

All priests may celebrate three (stipended) Masses today on condition that they are celebrated at the proper times (Midnight, Dawn and Day).

Office: Night Prayer II of Sundays and Solemnities is said.
Denis Torney (Cardiff) 2007

26 SATURDAY	RED	<p>ST STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR (FEAST) Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. St Stephen is always named in the text of EP I. Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday. Evening Prayer is of December 26 in the Octave of Christmas. <i>John Meredith (Cardiff) 2013</i></p>
		PSALTER WEEK 1; SUNDAY READING CYCLE B
EVENING:	+WHITE	<p>THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (FEAST) Mass: Gloria. Creed. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Office: Evening Prayer I of the Feast of the Holy Family.</p>
27 SUNDAY	+WHITE	<p>THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (FEAST) Mass: Gloria. Creed. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Office: Evening Prayer II of the Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Note that in churches dedicated to St John the Evangelist, his observance as a Solemnity supersedes Holy Family.</p>
28 MONDAY	RED	<p>THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS (FEAST) Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Office: Evening Prayer is of December 28 in the Octave of Christmas. <i>Vincent Daly (Wrexham) 2005; John O'Regan (Cardiff) 2016</i></p>
29 Tuesday	White	<p>Fifth Day within the Octave of Christmas; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday. Evening Prayer is of December 29 in the Octave of Christmas.</p>
BUT IN HEREFORDSHIRE	RED	<p>ST THOMAS BECKET, BISHOP AND MARTYR, PATRON OF THE PASTORAL CLERGY OF ENGLAND AND WALES (FEAST) Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Special inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Proper Readings at Lectionary II 819. Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday. <i>Michael Martin (Cardiff) 2001</i></p>

30 Wednesday	White	<p>Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday. Evening Prayer is of December 30 in the Octave of Christmas.</p>
31 Thursday	White	<p>Seventh Day within the Octave of Christmas; optionally, as a Commemoration, St Sylvester I Mass: Gloria. Preface I-III of the Nativity of the Lord. Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used. Office: At Prayer During the Day, psalms of the occurring weekday.</p> <p>A plenary indulgence is granted, under the usual conditions, for devoutly assisting at the recitation or solemn singing, in a church or oratory, of the hymn, <i>Te Deum</i>, in thanksgiving for all the benefits received in the course of the last year.</p> <p><i>Marshall Gibbs (Cardiff) 2004; Pope BENEDICT XVI 2022</i></p>
EVENING:	WHITE	<p>MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (SOLEMNITY) Mass: Gloria. Creed.</p>

JANUARY 2027

1 FRIDAY	WHITE	<p>MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (SOLEMNITY) Mass: Gloria. Creed. Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary ("on the Solemnity of the Motherhood..."). Inserts for Christmas if Eucharistic Prayer I is used.</p> <p>A plenary indulgence is granted, under the usual conditions, for the devout recitation in a church or oratory of the hymn, <i>Veni Creator</i>, imploring divine aid for the course of the New Year.</p> <p>When a Solemnity falls on a Friday, abstinence from meat need not be observed.</p>
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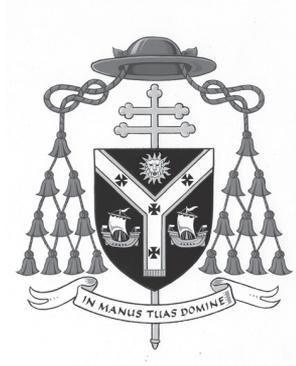
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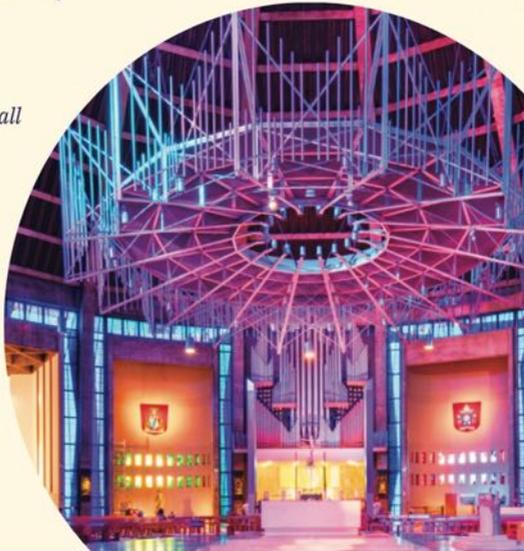
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