



Saint Joseph's Cathedral

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This week at the Cathedral

Sunday 3rd **8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 17:30 (Sat) Vigil Mass: *Rita Lewis (Sick)*
 08:00 Mass: *People of the Parish*
 10:00 Mass: *Kathleen O'Donnell, Billy & Martin Burke*

Monday 4th **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
 09:15 Mass: *Mary Booth (RIP)*

Tuesday 5th **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
 09:30 SCHOOL MASS (St. David's Day)
 Mass: *Sid & Louise Gabriel (RIP)*

Wednesday 6th **Ash Wednesday**
 09:15 **Mass and Distribution of Ashes**
 18:30 **Mass and Distribution of Ashes**

Thursday 7th **Ss. Perpetual & Felicity**
 09:15 *Mass:*

Friday 8th **St. John of God**
 09:15 *Mass:*
 18:30 Stations of the Cross

Saturday 9th **Memorial of Our Lady**
 09:15 *Mass:*

Sunday 10th **First Sunday in Lent**
 17:30 (Sat) *Vigil: William & David Alexander (RIP)*
 08:00 *Mass:*
 10:00 *Mass: Kitty Brown*
 15:00 *Rite of Election Service (RCIA)*

Ministries Schedule for the week.

	17:30	08:00	10:00
Euch. Min.	Arthur Jones Rowena Cura		Joyce Eynon Anne Jones
Readers	Gerard Holley MC Pitson	Michael Harris Angela Cooze	Alison Corte Christine Nutt

The Holy Father's General Intention for March: That Christian Communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person, more considerate towards others, more honest with myself, more faithful to You. Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life and grant that through it, I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others. Grant, Lord, that those whom You call to enter the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, may have the generosity to answer Your call, so that those who need Your help may find it. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals:
 Bishop Daniel Mullins, Canon Seamus Cunnane, Deacon Tony Lawrence, Deacon Peter Hounslow, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Jean Davies, Brian Gabriel, Mary Church, Christopher Browne, Lee Ellery, Dixie Hale, Taylor Mai, Jeffery Jones, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Nathan Jones, Gary Lewis, Anne Kavanagh, Brian Nutt, Bernard Kenealy, Peter George and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

Anniversaries: Alexander John Taylor; William Thomas Webber; William Anthony Popham; Francis Joseph McSwiggan; Gareth Morley Evans; Elaine Mary Carrieri; Diane Winifred Kiley; Nancy Barnika; Michelle Roberta Mayne-Thomas.



Sanctuary Lights:
 (1) Healing for Gary Lewis
 (2) In memory of Kazimierz & Lea Dabrowski



Notices

Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent: Please note that there will be **two Masses** on **Ash Wednesday**. And all through Lent there will be **Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6:30pm**.

Birthday Celebration: We will honour all those Parishioners whose birthdays occur in March, in the parish hall, after the 10 a.m. Mass. Please let us come together for few minutes to celebrate them.

Communion & Confirmation Classes: Normal schedules resume this week.

Children's Liturgy: The Children's Liturgy is held on the first Saturday of each month only. All First Holy Communion candidates and their families must attend weekly Masses, sitting in the first 3 pews in front of the pulpit. Candidates must also sign the Register positioned at the front of the pulpit.

Baptism Programme for parents: The Baptism Programme runs three times each year: September-October, January-February, and May-June, actual dates to be set near the time. 'Baptismal Request' forms may be found in the purple file in the Cathedral porch. Please take one, complete it and return it to Joyce or Pat. **IMPORTANT:** Please kindly read the 'Guidelines for Infant Baptism in the Parish'. These are available on the parish website or, alternatively, you may pick up a copy from the porch. Please note, we comply strictly with these guidelines.

Truth Project: Bishop Tom Burns has decided to set aside time for the purpose of meeting with victims and survivors of clerical, child sexual abuse who live in Menevia.

This will be done in co-operation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator, who will assist the Bishop in responding in the best possible way to those who speak to him in his pastoral role as their Bishop, to let him know of their pain, hurt and anger.

If you have suffered clerical, child sexual abuse, no matter how long ago, or even if it was outside of the Diocese, please call the Truth Line on 07598 966956.

Your calls will be taken in the strictest confidence and maintained as such throughout the project.

Business Matters: Canon Benedict is very happy to have informal chats with everyone after weekend Masses, however, **ALL official matters are to be discussed during office hours, by appointment only. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.** Thank you.

The Lenten Station Mass for Swansea Deanery – Amended notice: The Swansea Deanery Lenten Station Mass will now take place at the Sacred Heart parish, Morrision, Swansea on **Wednesday 3rd April at 7:00 p.m. NOT on Ash Wednesday**, as was previously advertised.

Newsletter: It has been observed that many parishioners are not taking their newsletters home, but leaving them behind in the pews. Please kindly take it home with you and re-read it at your leisure.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes & Shrines of France: 4th-12th September 2019. Cost £675 per person (sharing). For more information, please contact Sr Margaret Fitzgerald, Stella Maris Convent, Eaton Cres., Uplands, Swansea. SA1 4QR. - Tel: 01792 473453

Your last week's offerings: £1,036.46
(Including Standing Orders and 2nd Collection)

PLEASE REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Parish Finance: Please find below the summary of income and expenditure of the Parish:

Average Monthly Income	£3840.00
Average Monthly Expenditure	£5671.09
Average weekly Income	£960.00
Average weekly Expenditure	£1417.78
Weekly Deficit	£457.78

**** More detailed information in the porch.**

**** Please consider increasing your weekly contributions as the present income is not sustainable.**

** Gift Aid returns will reduce the weekly deficit, but will not make up the shortfall. If you are a tax payer and you are not already signed up to the Gift Aid giving system, please consider doing so, it will not cost you any extra, but the Church will get the benefit of tax relief.*

A warm welcome to those who have recently made the Cathedral their regular place of worship. It is a good idea to let your Parish Priest know your name and address so that he will know who, and where, you are. Furthermore, if you are already an Altar Server, Reader etc. and would be prepared to exercise your Ministry here, please speak to the Parish Priest.

Mass Intentions Received: Gary Lewis (sick)^{x2}; William & David Alexander (RIP)

Sanctuary Lamp Requests: May & John Davies; Catherine & John Moore.

Please note: We have **Sanctuary Lamp requests** in the diary right up to 21st April. The earliest available slot for a sanctuary lamp request is 28th of April.

Hymns for Sunday Liturgy

Opening Song	My God, accept my heart this day	872
Preparation of Gifts	O God, you search me	779
Communion	Make me a channel of your peace	898
Closing	Seek ye first	820

Choir Practice: New members always welcome. Please see Andrew after the 10:00 a.m. Mass or contact the Office.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: The Bishops' Conference of England & Wales has decreed the following changes to the observance from 2018:- The Epiphany, currently kept on the first Sunday after New Year, will be celebrated on 6th January (or on the nearest Sunday if the 6th falls on Saturday or Monday); The Ascension, currently kept on the Sunday before Pentecost, will be celebrated on the Thursday after the 6th Sunday of Easter, that is, 40 days after Easter Sunday.

Sincere thanks to all those who, in any way, contributed to Wednesday's "Sausage & Mash" community fundraising event. It was a great success. Everyone had a marvellous time and the grand sum of £540 was raised. God bless – Canon Benedict.