



# Saint Joseph's Cathedral

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## Sunday, 31 March 2019

### *This week at the Cathedral*

- Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>**  
 17:30 (Sat) **Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)**  
 Vigil: People of the Parish  
 08:00 Mass: *Jack Hartigan (RIP)*  
 10:00 Mass: *Dollie Roberts (RIP)*
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup>**  
 09:15 **Weekday Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
 Mass: Kitty Powell (RIP)
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
 09:15 **Weekday Fourth Week of Lent**  
 Mass:
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
 19:00 **Weekday Fourth Week of Lent**  
 STATION MASS AT MORRISTON
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup>**  
 09:15 **Weekday Fourth Week of Lent**  
 Mass: *Dennis Morgan*
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
 09:15 **Weekday Fourth Week of Lent**  
 Mass: Thanksgiving for Bob V Geesh.  
 18:30 Stations of the Cross
- Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>**  
 09:15 **Weekday Fourth Week of Lent**  
 Mass: *Private Intention*
- Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>**  
 17:30 (Sat) **Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
 Vigil: *Duncan Macpherson (RIP)*  
 08:00 Mass: *People of the Parish*  
 10:00 Mass: *Kitty Brown (RIP)*

### Ministries Schedule for the week.

	17:30	08:00	10:00
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Arthur Jones Joyce Eynon		Anne Jones Dominic Nutt
<b>Readers</b>	Cosette MC Pitson	Angela Cooze David Maddox	Val Fisher 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.

**Holy Week:** Please see the Parish website/Facebook for the Holy Week Schedule.



### *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:** Jon Patrick Hartigan; Mary Adams; Edith Hannah Davies; Kitty Powell; Lilian Maud Hopkin; Ronald Luther McCarthy; Peter Leslie Howard; Albert Shaddick; Dennis Sullivan; Leonard Graham Workman; Jayden Hayes; Helena Humphries; Ann Davies.



### **Sanctuary Lights:**

- (1) Intention of **Jean and Bernard Davies**
- (2) In memory of **Madeline and George Harris**



## Notices

**The Lenten Station Mass for Swansea Deanery** – The Swansea Deanery Lenten Station Mass will take place at the Sacred Heart parish, Morrision, Swansea on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 7:00 p.m.** Please note that there will not be Mass in the Cathedral on this day.

**Offertory envelopes for financial year 2019** are now available in the porch. Please kindly use the black & red envelope system. If you would like to set up a Standing Order with your bank and/or Gift Aid your donation, forms are available in the porch. Otherwise, please kindly contact the Parish office. Very many thanks for supporting the Cathedral with your generous donations.

**Sick & Housebound Parishioners NOT on The Sick List:** Canon Benedict will make a personal visit to any sick and housebound parishioner to take Holy Communion and to hear Confession. Please, therefore, be sure to inform Canon of any family member or friend who would appreciate a visit. Thank you.

**Columbarium in the Crypt:** Niches are now available. If you are interested in reserving a niche, it is important that you contact the Parish Office as soon as possible as there has already been a great deal of interest.

**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.

**Pilgrimage to Lourdes & Shrines of France:** 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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

**Legion of Mary:** This is a follow up to the appeal by Legionaries. The group meets every Friday at 1:00pm in the Parish Library. You may also consider being an auxiliary member.

Your last week's offerings: £1,198.07

(Including Standing Orders and 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection)

PLEASE REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL

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

<b>Average Monthly Income</b>	<b>£3840.00</b>
<b>Average Monthly Expenditure</b>	<b>£5671.09</b>
Average weekly Income	£960.00
Average weekly Expenditure	£1417.78
<b>Weekly Deficit</b>	<b>£457.78</b>

**\*\* 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:** Duncan Macpherson (RIP); Tony Eaton (RIP); Thanksgiving for Bob V Geesh.

**Sanctuary Lamp Requests:** No Requests.

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

### Hymns for Sunday Liturgy

Opening Song	God is love: his the care	794
Preparation of Gifts	Take our bread	610
Communion	Return to God	193
Closing	O Mother blest	364

**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.

**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.

**PRO-LIFE MATTERS:** The next meeting of the Swansea branch of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will take place on Mon. April 1, at 7 pm, in the church hall of St David's Priory Church in the centre of Swansea. We will be discussing the measures that need to be taken to protect the most vulnerable members of our society: babies. For further information, please email : [jy6903040@gmail.com](mailto: jy6903040@gmail.com) or tel. 01554 229828