



# Saint Joseph's Cathedral

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## Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2019

### This week at the Cathedral

- Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>**      **First Sunday of Advent**  
 Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> - 17:30 First Mass/Vigil Mass of Sunday:  
*Tom, Gladys & Brendan Davies (RIP)*  
 08:00 Mass: *Nora & Frank Campbell (RIP)*  
 10:00 Mass: *Deidre Hooper (RIP)*  
 17:30 Solemn Vespers & Benediction
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>**      **Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
 09:15 Mass: *Arthur Jones (RIP)*
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>**      **St. Francis Xavier**  
 09:15 Mass: *Margaret Williams (sick)*
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>**      **St John of Damascus**  
 18:30 Mass:
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>**      **Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
 09:15 Mass: *Rebecca John (RIP)*
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup>**      **St. Nicholas**  
 11:30 Chapter Mass:
- Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>**      **Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
 09:15 Mass: *Private Intention*  
 17:30 **First Mass of Second Sunday of Advent**  
 Vigil Mass: *Bernard Pitson*
- Sunday 8<sup>th</sup>**      **Second Sunday in Advent**  
 08:00 Mass: *Healing for Paddy Tribe*  
 10:00 Mass: *Margaret Burke (RIP)*

### Ministries Schedule for the week.

	17:30	08:00	10:00
<b>Euch. Min.</b>	Rowena Cura Alan Cura		Anne Jones Grace Beaman
<b>Readers</b>	Aaron Thomas John Kennedy	Angela Cooze Michael Harris	Val Fisher Dominic Nutt

**The Holy Father's General Intention for December –**  
 "That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority."

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

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:

Canon Seamus Cunnane, Fr. Peter Kelly, Deacon Tony Lawrence, 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, Tom Bright, Matthew Caliolo, Severina Cavallucci, Maralyn Brain, Margaret Williams, Geoffrey Collins and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

**Anniversaries:** *Norah Campbell; Luigi Deiana; Patricia Mary James.*

**Recently Deceased:** Canon Edmund Mullins; Margaret Sullivan. *Of your mercy, please pray for the repose of their souls and for the consolation of their families and friends. May they rest in eternal peace.*



#### Sanctuary Lights:

- (1) In memory of **Gwyn & June Rees**
- (2) In memory of **Rebecca John**



## Notices

### Blessing of the Advent Wreath and Lighting of Advent Candles:

Liturgy booklet in the porch. **PLEASE DO NOT TAKE AWAY.**

**Walk With Me:** Booklet of Scripture readings for Advent now available at the back of the Church. Suggestion donation 50p

**Year of the Word:** There will be Solemn Vespers to mark the inauguration of the "Year of the Word" on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> December at 5:30 p.m.

**Baptism Programme for parents:** New programme now in progress. Classes are Sunday from 2:30pm to 4:30 p.m. with Sr. Nora Mary.

**Mathew Mulcahy Walk:** On behalf of the Ursulines' Sisters, I wish to thank you most sincerely for your sponsorship of the Mathew Mulcahy Walk. The proceeds will go to our missions in Madagascar where we have many young Sisters working with the very poor, especially street children. Your gift to them is £237.00. Later, I will let you know the total amount raised. Thank you. God bless you. – Sr. Nora Mary.

**Catholic Education Service Campaign for Parents' Rights:** The Welsh Government wants to take away the rights of parents to withdraw their children from both Religious Education and Relationships and Sex Education. They also want to dumb-down the subject of RE and force schools to teach children about worldviews instead. The Catholic Education Service is asking Catholics to contact their Assembly Member and demand that the State does not usurp parents' rights to decide how they teach these sensitive topics to their children. You are encouraged to contact your AM to register your objections and demand that the State does not interfere with parents' rights to decide how this sensitive topic should be taught to their children. To read more about this, please visit the Catholic Education Service's website at: [www.catholiceducation.org.uk](http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk)

**First Communion:** Classes have now commenced. Classes take place in the Parish Hall every Tuesday at 6 p.m. PLEASE NOTE: your child will need to be Year 2 or above to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. If you know of any children who might be interested attending classes, please speak to Canon Benedict.

**Newsletter:** Please kindly take your newsletter home with you and re-read it at your leisure.

**Columbarium in the Crypt:** Persons requiring information about contact Canon Benedict/Parish office. It is important to note that other than the Parish Office may not be helpful to you.

**Cremations: For important information regarding the burial of the conservation of ashes in the case of cremation, please go to the V for the new & updated instructions:**

[http://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/resurgendum-cum-christo\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/resurgendum-cum-christo_en.html)

See also the notice board.

*"The Church is like Noah's ark that was full of both clean and unclean animals. It must have had an unholy smell, and yet it was carrying eight persons to salvation. The world today is tearing up the photographs of a good society, a good family, a happy, individual personal life. But the Church is keeping the negatives. And when the moment comes when the world wants a reprint, we will have them."*  
(Archbishop Fulton Sheen)

Your last week's offerings: £930.36

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

PLEASE REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL

*\* 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:** Arthur Jones (RIP); Deidre Hooper (RIP); Delia & John Ahern (RIP); Jack Rees (RIP); Leighton Davies (RIP); Jack Dermody (RIP); Bridget Lynch (RIP); Lilian & John Horgan (RIP); Winnie Gregory (RIP) Donald & Mary Dermody (RIP); Ethel & John Dermody (RIP)

**Sanctuary Lamp Requests:** None

### Hymns for Sunday Liturgy

Opening Song	Hail to the Lord's anointed	102
Preparation of the gifts	Like a Sea without a shore	84
Communion	Long ago, prophets knew	116
Closing	Come thou, long-expected Jesus	100

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

**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.

**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.

**Sr. Margaret Fitzgerald's Pilgrimages 2020:** May 4-11<sup>th</sup> Medjugore (phone for details); October 9-16<sup>th</sup> Fatima x 5 nights; Santiago Compostella x 2 nights. Flights from Bristol. For further details please contact Sr. Margaret at Stella Maris. Convent, Eaton Crescent, Swansea SA1 4QR. Tel: 01792 473453

**Piety Shop – new stock!** - Bibles, Christmas cards, gifts etc. now on sale in the porch. Nativity sets and other large items available to order.

**Cathedral Christmas Carol Service:** Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> of December 2019: Time: 5:30pm. Please keep this date free in your diary.

