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Sunday, 6th September 2020

This week at the Cathedral.

Sunday 6th 08:00 10:00	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass: Mass: <i>William & Mary Collins (RIP)</i>
Monday 7th 09:15	Weekday in Ordinary Time Mass: <i>John Lewis (RIP)</i>
Tuesday 8th 09:00	NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (FEAST) Mass: <i>Thanksgiving (PB)</i>
Wednesday 9th 18:30	St. Peter Claver Mass: <i>Deidre Hooper (RIP)</i>
Thursday 10th 09:15	Weekday in Ordinary Time Mass: <i>Mary Kibblewhite (RIP)</i>
Friday 11th 09:15	St Deiniol, Bishop Mass: <i>Intention of Judy North</i>
Saturday 12th 09:15	The Most Holy Name of Mary Mass: <i>Private Intention</i>
Sunday 13th 08:00 10:00	24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass: <i>Private Intention</i> Mass: <i>John & Delia Ahern (RIP)</i>

The Holy Father's General Intention for September –
That the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION: *My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.*

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF THE WORD:

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another.

Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. Amen.

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. This day and every day. Our Lady of the Annunciation, Pray for us; St Matthew, Pray for us; St Jerome, Pray for us.



Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals:

Canon Seamus Cunnane, Deacon Tony Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Jean Davies, Brian Gabriel, Christopher Browne, Lee Ellery, Dixie Hale, Taylor Mai, Jeffery Jones, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Nathan Jones, Gary Lewis, Anne Kavanagh, Bernard Kenealy, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain, Margaret Williams, Geoffrey Collins, Joan Colclough and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

PLEASE PRAY FOR all those affected by Covid-19 and those whose anniversaries occur at this time; Esther Johnson; Ronnie Shaddick; Jean Evans; Margaret Maguire; Helena Hammett.



**Sanctuary Lights:
Private Intention**



OTICE

A VERY WARM “WELCOME BACK!” to those who have been shielding for the last several months. It’s wonderful to see you all again . . . we’ve missed you!

CONGRATULATIONS and best wishes to Fr. Robert Davies who was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood yesterday, 5th September. He has been assigned to St. David’s Priory (city centre) as Assistant Priest.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Dead) *Carol Harris; Bob Lawrence; Anthony Eaton;*

MASS INTENTION RECEIVED: (Other): *Judy North*

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUEST: *Carol Harris*

RESUMPTION OF MASS SCHEDULE: I am happy to note that we have, so far, adapted well to the new protocols governing the way we have to operate. We continue to monitor attendance at weekend Masses in order to ensure health & safety regulations with regard to social distancing is not being compromised.

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: I have received a number of enquiries regarding the resumption of Saturday evening Mass. I am also eager for us to return to our pre-COVID19 Mass schedule and have been looking at ways to accommodate this request. As we are working under government constraints, the only way we can safely add the 5:30 p.m. Saturday Mass back into our schedule is if enough volunteer Stewards come forward so that we can draw up a rota to enable adequate coverage. Once again, I appeal to anyone who can help, to please come forward and offer your services. Full training will be given. I am considering resumption of this Mass sometime in October. Thank you.

Please note: we are unable to open the cathedral before Mass until a Steward has arrived and is in position in the Porch. This means that there will be occasions when you might have to wait outside for the doors to be opened. We will try to ensure that no-one is left standing outside any longer than absolutely necessary. Thank you for your understanding and for your patience.

FOR THE AFFLICTED IN TIME OF PANDEMIC: *Let us pray for all those who are suffering the consequences of the current pandemic, that God the Father may grant health to the sick, strength to those who care for them, comfort to families and salvation to all the victims who have died. Almighty ever-living God, only support of our human weakness, look with compassion upon the sorrowful condition of your children who suffer because of this pandemic; relieve the pain of the sick, give strength to those who care for them, welcome into your peace those who have died and, throughout this time of tribulation, grant that we may all find comfort in your merciful love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

WEEKLY “GIVING ENVELOPES” – For parishioners using the envelope system, the new sets of envelopes are now available on request. Please ask Joyce Eynon, Geraldine Jones or Anne Jones. For health and safety reasons, we are unable to leave them out on display for people to help themselves.

DONATIONS/OFFERINGS: Although I’m conscious that we’re all suffering the financial effects of the pandemic, I feel duty-bound to report that in common with most other households, having to keep up with our regular ‘outgoings’ whilst trying to manage on a much reduced income, means that our resources have been severely depleted.

Should the Welsh Government decide further quarantine measures are necessary, we will be pushed even further ‘into the red’. With this in mind, I am appealing to those of you who are able, to seriously consider setting up a monthly Bank Standing Order to enable a steady flow of income for the parish. It would be helpful, not to mention reassuring, to know that there will be sufficient funds available to meet our outgoings each month. Several parishioners have already done this.

Please, I urge ALL parishioners to consider adopting this method of giving. It is easy to do. You just need to give the following information about our Parish bank account, to your bank, in order to set it up.

Sort Code: 55-61-20

Account Number: 01678442

Account Name: Diocese of Menevia Cathedral.

Please be assured that your donations/offerings greatly assist the Cathedral financially - especially during these most challenging of times. Thank you, most sincerely.

EASY FUNDRAISING: This is a very easy and simple way to raise money for the Cathedral. Please visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk and click on “Find a Cause”. Choose “St Joseph’s Cathedral, Swansea” and then shop online as normal through the website. A percentage of what you spend goes to the Cathedral. Use it when shopping online at Amazon, Boots, M&S, Curry’s, eBay, Argos, Train Line, etc.