



# Saint Joseph's Cathedral

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## Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020

### *This week at the Cathedral*

- Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>**      **26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
08:00              Mass: *Thanksgiving*  
10:00              Mass: *Conway Family*
- Monday 28<sup>th</sup>**      **Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
09:15              Mass: *James & Judy Ryan (RIP)*
- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>**      **Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels**  
09:15              Mass: *Geraint & Bernard Flynn (RIP)*
- Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>** **St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor**  
18:30              Mass:
- OCTOBER**
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>**      **St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor**  
09:15              Mass: *Norah Screen (RIP)*
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>**        **The Holy Guardian Angels**  
09:15              Mass: *Maureen & John Lewis (RIP)*
- Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>**      **Votive Memorial of Our Lady**  
09:15              Mass:
- Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>**        **27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
08:00              Mass:  
10:00              Mass: *Kathryn Fisher (RIP)*

**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; Una Iris Humphreys; David Rees Mainwaring; Richard William Winston



**Sanctuary Lights:**  
**In Memory** of Fr. Louis Odudu  
**In Memory** of Anthony Adeyeye



## NOTICES

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020:** With regard to First Holy Communion for the candidates who started the Programme this year. We would all like to see the children complete the course of study and make their First Holy Communion before the end of the year, if they are ready. However, currently, however, they are currently only half-way through the syllabus and they can't be put forward for First Holy Communion until the course has been completed and they are properly prepared.

Due to the current Covid restrictions it is felt that face-to-face meetings are still too unsafe. There is, however, the possibility that we could continue to teach the programme virtually, via live-stream, using 'Microsoft Teams'. You will be supported through setup etc. so please don't panic! The children will need access to a digital device with a working camera and microphone. Resources would be sent via e mail and made available via 'Microsoft Teams' software prior to lessons.

If you are interested in continuing the course in this way, please confirm by messaging the 'WhatsApp' group. Otherwise please see Canon. If you decide not to continue the Programme this year, you will be welcome to join with us again when it is safe to do so. Thank you for your support during these unprecedented times. *Maria Davies*

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Dead):** Peter Davies and Carol Harris; Madeline and George Harris.

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

**SANCTUARY LAMP REQUEST:** Bernard Pitson & Paul Williams.

**WEARING OF MASKS:** The wearing of face-coverings/masks in church is now obligatory in Wales. Please ensure that you have a face-covering/mask with you and that you put it on before you enter the Cathedral.

**HOLY COMMUNION - IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO AVOID ACCIDENTS** - Please either unloop your face covering or lower it before you step forward to receive Holy Communion. Extend your arms/hands fully and consume immediately. Then replace your face covering.

**OUR LADY'S GARDEN:** Please take a look at the newly landscaped garden. We are very grateful to the persons doing the work. As it is now is the season for planting shrubs etc. we have bought a selection and planted them. Several people have said they would like to contribute to the project. Financial contributions are particularly welcome and we do also have a list of shrubs still needed to complete the design. An alternative might be to buy one of these to donate in memory of a loved one. Please ask for a copy of the list. Thank you.

**ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL - 90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY – 6<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2020.** Celebrations have had to be postponed due to COVID-19 but a brief history of the school is available on request. Please see Mary Clare.

**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.

**ONGOING WORKS:** It is now essential to address the problem of water ingress that is clearly visible around the ribbed vaulting above the sanctuary, and in the choir loft, around the window above the pipe organ. We intend to start and complete this work before Christmas. I will update you when I have received estimated costs/quotations for the work to be done.

**DONATIONS/OFFERINGS:** Many thanks to you all for your continued financial support during these trying times. Over the last six months we've been struggling to meet our outgoings on reduced income. As we move into winter and our use of heating and lighting increase, so will our outgoings increase. Additionally, we are now in the precarious situation whereby the Welsh Government might impose another lockdown on churches. Should this happen, we will be pushed even further 'into the red'. Once again, I am appealing to those who have not yet considered setting up a monthly Bank Standing Order for your weekly contributions to do so. It would be immensely reassuring to know that we have a steady flow of income to meet our outgoings each month. 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](http://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.