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Sunday, 27th November 2022

This week at the Cathedral: Year: C (II)

Sunday 27th **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
17:30 Sat. Vigil Mass: Brian Barrett (RIP)
08:00 Sun. Mass: Margaret Sullivan (RIP)
10:00 Mass: Holy Souls

Mon. 28th **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
09:15 – CRYPT Mass: Angela & John Berry (RIP)

Tues. 29th **Novena to Immaculate Conception**
12:30 **MASS: Main Celebrant- Emeritus Archbishop George Stack.**
Intention:

Weds. 30th **Novena to Immaculate Conception**
12:00: CRYPT MASS: Patrick Cullinane RIP)

Thurs. 1st Dec. **Novena to Immaculate Conception**
12:00: CRYPT Mass: Private Intention

December

Fri. 2nd **Novena to Immaculate Conception**
12:00: CRYPT Mass: Angela Berry

Sat. 3rd **Weekday of Ordinary Time**
SEASON OF ADVENT
11:00 Baptism: Aoife Matilda
17:30 Vigil Mass: Duncan Macpherson (RIP)

Sunday 4th **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
08:00 Mass: Joseph Gronert (RIP)
10:00 Mass: People of the Parish

The Holy Father's General Intention for November:

"We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection"

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL, ARCHANGEL

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.
Amen.

MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, we fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins my Mother. to thee do we come, before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer them.
Amen.

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals:

Deacon Tony Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Jean Davies, Lee Ellery, Taylor Mai, Jeffery Jones, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Nathan Jones, Gary Lewis, Bernard Kenealy, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain, Christopher Browne, Helena Hughes, Frank Alderman, Margaret Pitson, Brian Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy, Patrick (Paddy) Colclough, and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

ANNIVERSARIES:

PLEASE PRAY FOR all those who have been affected by Covid-19 and especially for those who have lost loved ones to the COVID virus.



Sanctuary Lights:

1. MLP (Sick)
2. Louvain Woolard



NOTICES

NOVENA TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: We will begin a Novena to the Immaculate Conception on 29th Nov. until 8th December. Archbishop George will start the Novena and end it with the celebration of Holy Mass and a parish get-together on 8th. During this Novena we will have the opportunity to pray the Rosary together, have a procession of light, and offer Masses for our petitions. Please write out your petitions for the Novena. There will be a box for you to drop your petition into during the Novena and there will be votive candles available for you to purchase. PLEASE NOTE the changes to the Mass times during the Novena, i.e. 29th Nov. – 8th Dec.

On Thursday 8th December, Archbishop George will conclude the Novena with a candlelit procession and Mass at 5:30 p.m. After the Mass, there will be refreshments in the Holy Family Hall.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Deceased): Patrick Cullinane; Kathleen Pouzin;

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS:

PARISH WEBSITE: Please note that our official website is now up and running at www.meneviacathedral.org

RCIA PROGRAMME: Meetings take place on Sunday at 4 p.m. This very informative Programme is also open to anyone wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith. Please pick up a form from the porch, complete it and return it to the parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023: The next class takes place in the Holy Family Hall at 6 p.m. on Tuesday 6th December. **NB:** Classes are fortnightly until February, then weekly. Children must be in school **Year 3 or above** in order to begin preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If your child falls into this category and hasn't yet been Registered for the course, **please complete a Registration Form (available at the back of the church) and return it, together with a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate, and return it to the Parish Office.**

BAPTISM PROGRAMME: Parents wishing Baptism for their child, please pick up a Registration form from the porch, complete it and return to Sr. Nora, who will contact you with the date/time of the next programme.

WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING CONTACTLESS DONATIONS: Our new contactless terminal is in the porch. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/device to make a donation. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader.

DONATING ONLINE: You may also donate online, just click on the link: <https://donate.mydona.com/st-josephs-cathedral>

DONATING BY MONTHLY BANKER'S ORDER: you may continue to use this method also. Our bank account details are as follows:

Sort Code: 55-61-20

Account Number: 01678442

Account Name: Diocese of Menevia Cathedral.

GIFT AID YOUR DONATION – whatever method you choose, if you are a taxpayer, please opt into the **GIFT AID** scheme. It increases your donation by 25%, It means, that at no extra cost to yourself, the Church can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received. **GIFT AID (GAD) FORMS are available in the porch.** If anyone needs help filling out the form, please see Mary Clare who may assist. Thank you.

COVID . . . A REMINDER TO BE CAUTIOUS!! Covid is still circulating!! For your own safety . . . (1) Please sanitise on entry; (2) face masks/coverings while not mandatory are still strongly advised; (3) please respect we have parishioners who are still concerned about the virus; (4) the sanitising of benches continues; (5) avoid congregating in the porch. Importantly, out of respect for others, anyone feeling even slightly unwell, should stay at home and self-isolate until they've taken a COVID test and returned a negative result. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: As is customary at this time of year, throughout Advent you will find a collection basket at the back of the church for donations towards Christmas flowers. Your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you.

PIETY SHOP: Christmas cards; calendars & diaries for 2023 are now available to purchase. As we have limited stocks, you are advised to buy early.

NB: For your convenience, you may now pay for Piety Shop items by Credit/Debit card. Simply select "Other Amount" from the on-screen menu of the contactless terminal, tap "Piety Shop" and input the amount you wish to pay.

PARISH SYNODAL TEAM

You are encouraged to join the Synodal Team to reflect on the Diocesan Synthesis. If interested, please call Sr. Nora Mary by Monday 28th November. Thank you.

Canon Benedict

UPDATE ON THE BUILDING RENOVATIONS

Thank you for your patience while the renovations have been going on. I'm sure you will agree, that even with the scaffolding still in place, the cathedral is looking good now. I am very pleased to report that the work is now almost complete so we will soon be able to resume our normal Mass schedule. Canon Benedict

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY: In the event that a Priest is needed to make a sick visit to someone in hospital, please call the following numbers:

Singleton Hospital: Fr Clement (01792) 655336

Morrison Hospital & Ty Olwen Hospice:

The Chaplaincy Team may be contacted on 07792 003905