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1st DECEMBER 2024

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

Sun 1st Dec. 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT
 17:30 (Sat.) Vigil Mass: Dennis (RIP) & Stena Thomas
 08:00 (Sun.) Mass: Margaret Pitson (RIP)
 10:00 Mass: People of the parish

Mon 2nd Crypt Monday of 1st week of Advent
NO PUBLIC MASS

Tues 3rd Crypt St. Francis Xavier, Priest (Memorial)
 09:15 Mass: Thanksgiving: S. Maiwald

Weds. 4th Crypt Wednesday of 1st week of Advent
 09:15 Mass: Anthony Eaton (RIP)

Thurs. 5th Advent Thursday of 1st week of
NO PUBLIC MASS

Fri. 6th Friday of 1st week of Advent
NO PUBLIC MASS

Sat. 7th St. Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor (Memorial)
NO MORNING MASS
 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass: Moira & Richard Heady (RIP)

Sun 8th . 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT
 08:00 (Sun.) Mass: Margaret Pitson (RIP)
 10:00 Mass: People of the Parish

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.

THE 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 I fly to thee, O Virgin of Virgins, My Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals
 Deacon Tony Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Lee Ellery, Taylor Mai, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Gary Lewis, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain, Christopher Browne, Helena Hughes, Brian Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy, Patrick (Paddy) Colclough, Eileen Morgan, Eileen Griffiths, Angela Flynn, Melanie Kennedy, Rita Lewis and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

ANNIVERSARIES: Norah Campbell, Luigi Peiana, Gerard Sullivan, Carole Hyde, Colin James Jenkins.

Holy Father's Intention for December: "Let us pray that the coming Church Jubilee Year 2025 strengthens us in our faith; helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope."



WEEKDAY MASSES: Please note that from Monday 2nd December, all weekday Masses will be celebrated in the crypt. Weekend Masses will be celebrated in the cathedral.

2ND COLLECTION TOWARDS ENERGY COSTS: As from last weekend we have, out of necessity, introduced a second collection. The decision has not been taken lightly but, unfortunately, we have no choice. The funds collected will be 'ring-fenced' and 'off-set' against our energy bill. **The collection will be taken directly after Communion and before the final blessing.** Thank you in advance for your kind co-operation.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED (Deceased): Russ Williams

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS: Carol Harris (RIP), Special Intention (J.C.)

REQUESTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS: We currently have a lot of outstanding Mass Intentions on the books and whilst we are doing our utmost to accommodate requests for Masses on specific dates, you will appreciate it is not always possible so we schedule them to the nearest free slot. **NB:** If wanting to book Anniversary and Birthday Mass Intentions on a particular date, especially at weekends, you need to do so well in advance . . . not wait until one or two weeks before. Owing to high demand, requests for weekend Mass Intentions are allocated on a "first come, first served" basis.

Mass intentions may only be scheduled for the 5:30 p.m. and 08:00 a.m. Masses. **NO MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE 10:00 a.m. MASS** unless it is for an Anniversary that actually falls on that particular Sunday.

PLEASE NOTE: No further bookings are currently being accepted for the Saturday Vigil Mass as it is already fully booked until February 2025. Thank you for your patience. *Canon Benedict.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025: The next class is scheduled to take place at 3 p.m. on Monday 9th December in the Holy Family Hall. Thank you.

CONFIRMATION 2025: The next Confirmation class is scheduled to take place at 6.30 p.m. on Sunday 8th December in the Library of Clergy House. - *Val & John*

RCIA: Meetings take place on Sundays at 4:30 p.m. on in the Library of Clergy House. Please spread the word to anyone you think might be interested. Thank you.

LECTIO DIVINA: 7 p.m. Thursday evenings in the Library of Clergy House.

The response to . . .

"Lord, show us how to live: . . . " is
"and give us the courage to go forward."

HYMN NUMBERS FOR THIS WEEKEND . . .

Entrance: 112 **Offertory:** 113 &
101

Communion: 94 **Recessional:** 652

OFFERINGS FOR "CHRIST THE KING"

1st Collection (Loose plate): £641.55

2nd Collection (ENERGY) (Loose plate): £342.00

A special note of thanks to you all for responding so readily to the appeal for donations towards the energy costs. The decision to hold a second collection was not taken lightly. It was out of necessity. Just to remind you again: at a cost of £40 per hour, the energy cost of heating the cathedral for the three weekend Masses is £250. That does not include the lighting. Hence the reason for drastic action. *Canon Benedict*

"Copper City Chorus & Friends"

presents an

"EVENING OF CHRISTMAS SONGS & READINGS"

Tuesday, 3rd Dec. - 7 pm

Special guests: St. Joseph's Cathedral School Choir; and
Voces Abertawe.

Free Admission - Raffle in aid of

"The Gerallt Davies Foundation" (Reg. Charity 1209332)

Collection in aid of St. Joseph's Cathedral

*For full information, please see poster in porch
or see Mrs Christine Nutt.*

The Cathedral Church of St. Joseph, Swansea SA1 2BX

cordially invites the general public to a

MUSICAL CONCERT

performed by

FILM TRIUMPHANTS CHOIR, UK

on

Saturday 7th December – 7 p.m.

For full information, please see poster in porch.

PLEASE NOTE . . .

As "DIY SOS" continue filming in Park Terrace, there continues to be the possibility of restricted parking in Bryn Melin and Convent Streets. They finish on Friday 6th December but until then, your patience and co-operation are greatly appreciated. Thank you.