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15th DECEMBER 2024

This week at the Co-Cathedral: Year: C (I)		
Sun 15th Dec 17:30 (Sat.) 08:00 (Sun.) 10:00	3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT Vigil Mass: Billy O'Donnell (RIP) Mass: Len Llewellyn (RIP) Mass: People of the Parish	
Mon 16th Crypt 09:15	Monday of Week 3 of Advent Mass: Jack & Kate Hartigan (RIP)	
19:00 Cathedral	Bishop Vaughan Comprehensive School – Carol Service	
Tuesday 09:15	17th December Mass: John & Helena Hammett	
Wednesday	18 th December NO PUBLIC MASS	
14:00	St. Joseph's Cathedral School – Yrs3-6 Nativity Play	
Thursday	19 th December NO PUBLIC MASS	
Friday 09:15	20th December Mass: Mgr. Joseph Branson (RIP)	
Saturday 12:00 noon	21st December Nuptial Mass: Marriage of Mary-Ellen Courtney and Thomas Selby	
5:30 p.m	Vigil Mass: Anthony Eaton (RIP)	
Sun 22 nd .	4 th SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
08:00 (Sun.) 10:00	Mass: Kathryn Fisher (RIP) Mass: People of the Parish	
10.00		

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: Clifford Daniel Robinson, Florence Josephine Swinhoe.



Sanctuary Lights Dennis (RIP) & Stena Thomas

Private Intention (MC)



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 all weekday Masses are now being celebrated in the crypt. Weekend Masses continue to be celebrated in the cathedral.

A SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN AFTER COMMUNION. This collection will be 'ring-fenced' and 'offset' against our energy bill. Thank you in advance for your kind co-operation.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED (Deceased): Sr. Lucy Hennessy U.J.;, Billy Tennant.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS: Private Intention (MC)

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. <u>NB:</u> 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. <u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> 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.*

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS: Christmas & Easter offerings are the parishioners' opportunity to thank their Priest for service during the year. Envelopes at the back of the church. You can also use the Contactless Giving Point, using your Credit/Debit card. Select "Other Amount" from the onscreen menu of the "Dona" contactless terminal, tap "Christmas Offering".

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025: The next class is scheduled to take place at 5:30 p.m. on Monday 13th January 2025 in the Holy Family Hall. Thank you.

CONFIRMATION 2025: The next Confirmation class is scheduled to take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday 5th January 2025 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 . . . "Come, O come: . . . " is "Emmanuel, God with us."

HYMN NUMBERS

5:30 VIGIL MASS:

Entrance: 84 Communion: 101 *Offertory:* 609 & 600 *Recessional:* 108

OFFERINGS FOR 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1st Collection (Loose plate): £375.83 2nd Collection (ENERGY) (Loose plate): £256.82

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*

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. 23rd Dec.	23 RD DECEMBER
09:15 (Crypt)	Mass
Tues. 24 th Dec.	CHRISTMAS EVE No Morning Mass
17:30	VIGIL MASS OF CHRISTMAS DAY
21:30	Christmas Carols followed by
22:00	MASS OF CHRISTMAS NIGHT
Weds. 25th Dec	CHRISTMAS DAY
10:00	MASS OF CHRISTMAS DAY
Thurs. 26th Dec.	ST. STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR (Feast)
10:00	Mass
Fri. 27th Dec.	ST. JOHN, EVANGELIST (Feast)
10:00	Mass
Sat. 28 th Dec.	HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS (Feast) NO MORNING MASS
17:30 Sat.	Vigil Mass of Sunday 29 th Dec. THE HOLY FAMILY (Feast)
08:00 Sun.	Holy Mass:
10:00	Holy Mass: Chief Celebrant: Rev. Archbishop George Stack, Emeritus Archbishop of Cardiff- Menevia Archdiocese who will open the JUBILEE YEAR: 'PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE'