

# Saint Joseph's Co-Cathedral

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

Sun 29th Dec THE HOLY FAMILY

Menevia Cathedral

5:30 p.m. (Sat.) Vigil Mass: Bernard & Margaret Pitson

(RIP)

08:00 (Sun.) Mass: Billy Tennant (RIP) (B'day)

10:00 Holy Mass & opening of the Jubilee Year

"PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE"

Celebrant: Rt. Rev. Thomas Burns SM.,

Bishop Emeritus of Menevia

Mon. 30<sup>th</sup> Jecember

**NO PUBLIC MASS** 

Tues. 31<sup>st</sup> Crypt 31<sup>st</sup> December

09:15 Mass: Allen Banks (RIP)

Weds. 1st Jan. MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

(Solemnity)

10:00 Cathedral Mass:

Thurs. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ss. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen,

**Bishops, Doctors** (Memorial)

**NO PUBLIC MASS** 

Fri. 3<sup>rd</sup> Crypt - The Most Holy Name of Jesus

**09:15** Mass: Joan & Bernard Davies (RIP)

Saturday 4th Saturday before the Epiphany

NO MORNING MASS

5:30 p.m Vigil Mass: John Bradley (RIP)

Sun 5<sup>th</sup> THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (Solemnity)

08:00 (Sun.) Mass: Joseph Gronert (RIP) 10:00 Mass: People of the Parish

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."

# 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:** Audrey Garrett, Josephine Spellward, Patrick Cullen, Mair Cullen.



# **Sanctuary Lights**

 Bernard & Margaret Pitson (RIP) WEEKDAY MASSES: Please note that weekday Masses are now being celebrated in the crypt, with the exception of Mass on 1<sup>st</sup> January which will be celebrated in the cathedral. All 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):** Gerard Holley; Rachel Davies;

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other)**: Special Int. (F & MC); Special Int. (CB)

**SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS:** Malcolm Smith; David Kavanagh

**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 NO MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE 08:00 a.m. Masses. 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.

**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 13<sup>th</sup> 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 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 . . .
"Incarnate God: . . . " is

"we love you and we need you."

# **HYMN NUMBERS**

For this weekend's hymns, please see the display board.

#### **OFFERINGS FOR 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

1st Collection (Loose plate): £631.64 2nd Collection (ENERGY) (Loose plate): £247.75

**NB:** At a cost of £40 per hour, the energy cost of heating the cathedral for the duration of the three weekend Masses alone, is £250. That does not include the lighting. This is, unfortunately, why we need a second collection.

Canon Benedict

#### **ENERGY ACCOUNT**

Alternate ways of donating towards the Energy account:

- 1. Second Collection (Loose Plate)
- 2. Dona Contactless Giving point
- 3. Bank Standing Order details below . . .

Sort Code: 55-61-20

Account Number: 24406570

Account Name: Menevia Cathedral 2

Official prayer from Pope Francis for the Jubilee year 2025, "Pilgrims of hope" . . .

#### The Jubilee prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us

into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos

in the sure expectation

of a new heaven and a new earth,

when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,

your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,

a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread

the joy and peace of our Redeemer

throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,

be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.