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30th MARCH 2025

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

Sun 30th March. 4th SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE SUNDAY)

5:30 p.m. (Sat.) Vigil Mass: Gladys, Tom & Brendan Davies (RIP)

08:00 Mass: Piotr & Nancy Skubala (RIP)

10:00 Mass: People of the Parish

Mon. 31st Crypt Weekday of Wk 4 of Lent

09:15 Crypt Mass: Stafford Humphries (RIP)

Tues. 1st April Weekday of Wk 4 of Lent

09:15 Mass: Stafford Humphries (RIP)

12:30 Funeral Service: Cyril Lawrence Owen (RIP)

Weds. 2nd Weekday of Wk 4 of Lent

09:15 Mass:

Thurs. 3rd Weekday of Wk 4 of Lent

NO PUBLIC MASS

Fri. 4th Weekday of Wk 4 of Lent

09:15 Mass: Stafford Humphries (RIP)

09:45 **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will take place in the Crypt immediately after Mass.

Sat. 5th Saturday of Wk 4 of Lent

NO MORNING MASS

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

Sun 6th 5th SUNDAY OF LENT

08:00 (Sun.) Mass: D'd members of Barry & Kenny Family

10:00 Mass: People of the Parish

Holy Father's Intention: "For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences."

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, Betty Fry and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Adams; Patricial Ratcliffe; Ann Davies.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Of your charity please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mgr. Michael Lewis who recently passed from this life. Funeral details to follow.

Also Stafford Lawrence Humphries who departed this life on 19th March. Funeral to take place at 10 a.m. Wednesday 16th April. May they rest in peace.



Sanctuary Lights

1. Special Intention (MC)
2. Special Intention (FML)

NOTICES

A SECOND COLLECTION will be taken after Communion. This collection goes towards the Energy Fund.

“LENTEN DEVOTIONS: ‘STATIONS OF THE CROSS’ take place every Friday, directly after the morning Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED (Deceased): *Michael Cura (Anniv.); Stafford Humphries ^{x2}; Anthony Eaton; Duncan MacPherson; Rev. Fr. Jerzy Popietuszko.*

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS: *Special Int. (FML); Special Int. (MC)*

REQUESTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS: PLEASE NOTE . . .

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. Thank you for your understanding. *Canon Benedict.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025: The next class is Monday 31st March at 5:30 p.m. Venue: Holy Family Hall.

CONFIRMATION 2025: The next class will be Sunday 30th March at 3 p.m. Venue: Library of Clergy House

RCIA: *The next meeting will be Sunday 30th March at 4:30 p.m. Venue: Library of Clergy House.*

LECTIO DIVINA: Thursdays 7 p.m. Venue: Library of Clergy House.

CHRISM MASS: *The Chrism Mass for Cardiff-Menevia Archdiocese is scheduled to take place in St. Joseph’s Co-Cathedral at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday 15th April.*

CHOIR PRACTICE for those singing in the choir at the Chrism Mass, the next rehearsal will take place in the Cathedral from 6 p.m. – 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 10th April. Further information, text or WhatsApp Jeni Burrige on 07947 074872

ADVANCE NOTICE: At 3 p.m. on Sunday 6th April the **CONFIRMATION GROUP** will lead **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** in the cathedral. Please make a note of this in your diary. I would encourage as many of you as possible to come along to support them.

Canon

ARCHDIOCESE OF CARDIFF-MENEVIA Lenten Station/Deanery Masses 2025

Fri. 28 th March	Our Lady & St. David, Llantwit Major
Tues. 8 th April	Ss. Julius & Aaron Deanery: Venue TBC
Weds. 9 th April	St. Helen’s, Barry
Fri. 23 rd May	St. David’s Priory, Swansea
Thurs. 29 th May	Our Lady of the Taper Deanery: Venue TBC
Fri. 30 th May	St. Teilo Deanery: Venue TBC
Weds. 4 th June	St. John Kemble Deanery: Venue TBC

The time of all Masses is 7 p.m.

OFFERINGS FOR 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

1st Collection (Loose plate): £625.03
2nd Collection: Energy (Loose plate) £250.97

For those who wish to set up a bank standing order for their donations to the Energy account: the details of the account are as follows:

Sort Code 55-61-20; Account Name: Menevia Cathedral 2;
Account No. 24406570

2nd COLLECTION - ENERGY ACCOUNT

URGENT APPEAL

You will recall that the second collection was introduced very reluctantly and out of necessity, in response to rising energy costs. Our financial situation called for desperate measures in order to pay the heavy winter energy bill. Thank you, most sincerely to all who responded, generously as always, by stretching their finances to help out. It has not gone unnoticed, however, that others are dividing their ‘weekly’ donation into two, thus halving the amount they donate at the first collection in order to give to the second collection. As a result, we now have a shortfall in the ‘general’ account i.e. the account that funds the day to day running of the parish.

Whilst I do understand and totally appreciate that many of you are managing on fixed incomes, leaving little, if any, surplus at the end of the week or month, I am nevertheless appealing to you once again to please, please stretch your budget as far as possible to enable us to meet **our latest electricity bill which is in excess of £2,000.**

Thank you in anticipation. *Canon Benedict.*

Parents of young children . . .

Following on from my request of last weekend, I would, once again, respectfully remind parents that noisy children disrupt Mass and make it difficult for others to focus. Please parents, you are responsible for your children’s behaviour in Mass. It is your place to encourage them and teach them appropriate behaviour in church. Whilst we are actively looking at ways to re-introduce Children’s Liturgy, please kindly . . .

- Once your child shows signs of becoming noisy/disruptive, please take them outside into the porch briefly;
- Bring some quiet activities for children to do during Mass eg. colouring books, small (quiet!) toys etc.; and
- Keep your children sitting close to you, and in an area where they can be more easily managed e.g. near the exit.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Canon Benedict

The response to . . .

*“God our Father: . . . “ is
“supply our needs.”*

HYMN NUMBERS

Please see the board for this week’s hymn numbers.

*Entrance: 970 Offertory: 872 & 600
Communion: 663 Recessional: 364*