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Sunday, 24 February 2019

This week at the Cathedral

Sunday 24th **7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 17:30 (Sat) Vigil Mass: *Malcolm Smith (RIP)*
 08:00 Mass: *People of the Parish*
 10:00 Mass: *May & Charles Pitson (RIP)*

Monday 25th **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
 09:15 Mass: *James Ernest Orr (RIP)*

Tuesday 26th **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
 09:15 Mass: *Michael Cooze (RIP)*

Wednesday 27th **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
 18:30 Mass: *Michael Cura (RIP)*

Thursday 28th **Weekday in Ordinary Time**
 09:15 Mass: *May & Lewis Evans (RIP)*

March

Friday 1st **St. David, Bishop. Patron of Wales**
 09:15 Mass:

Saturday 2nd **Memorial of Our Lady**
 09:15 Mass: *Bernard Pitson (RIP)*

Sunday 3rd **8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 17:30 (Sat) Vigil: *Rita Lewis (Sick)*
 08:00 Mass: *People of the Parish*
 10:00 Mass: *Kathleen O'Donnell, Billy & Martin Burke*

Ministries Schedule for the week.

	17:30	08:00	10:00
Euch. Min.	Arthur Jones Joyce Eynon		Anne Jones Grace Beaman
Readers	K. McCarthy Alan Cura	Angela Cooze Michael Harris	Dominic Nutt Christine Nutt

The Holy Father's General Intention for February: For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution and of violence

Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person, more considerate towards others, more honest with myself, more faithful to You. Make me generous enough to want sincerely to do your will whatever it may be. Help me to find my true vocation in life and grant that through it, I may find happiness myself and bring happiness to others. Grant, Lord, that those whom You call to enter the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, may have the generosity to answer Your call, so that those who need Your help may find it. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals:

Bishop Daniel Mullins, Canon Seamus Cunnane, Deacon Tony Lawrence, Deacon Peter Hounslow, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Jean Davies, Brian Gabriel, Mary Church, Christopher Browne, Lee Ellery, Dixie Hale, Taylor Mai, Jeffery Jones, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Nathan Jones, Gary Lewis, Anne Kavanagh, Brian Nutt, Bernard Kenealy, Peter George and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

Anniversaries: Brian James McCarthy; Alice Mary Cullen; Jean Murray; Thomas John Walker; Glenys Caliolio; Billy Burke.



Sanctuary Lights:

- (1) In memory of **Len & Marjorie Phillips**
- (2) In memory of **Gareth Pearce**



Notices

Youth Retreat: Many thanks to the Youth Team and Children's Liturgy Group for organising the Parish Youth Retreat. Your hard work was greatly appreciated.

Flame 2019: (Catholic Youth Event), takes place at the SSE Arena, Wembley on 2nd of March 2019. For full details please see poster or contact John Courtney.

Birthday Celebration: We will honour all those Parishioners whose birthdays occur in March next Sunday, 3rd March after the 10 a.m. Mass, in the Parish Hall. Please let us come together for few minutes to celebrate them.

Communion & Confirmation Classes: no classes during the half-term holiday. Normal schedule will resume W/C Sunday 3rd March.

Children's Liturgy: The Children's Liturgy is held on the first Saturday of each month only. All First Holy Communion candidates and their families must attend weekly Masses, sitting in the first 3 pews in front of the pulpit. Candidates must also sign the Register positioned at the front of the pulpit.

Weddings 2019: All those who have booked weddings in the Cathedral for 2019, should have contacted Canon Benedict to confirm the dates and commence all preparations, by 14th February. Anyone who has not yet spoken to Canon Benedict now needs to do so as a matter of urgency. Thank you.

Baptism Programme for parents: The Baptism Programme runs three times each year: September-October, January-February, and May-June, actual dates to be set near the time. 'Baptismal Request' forms may be found in the purple file in the Cathedral porch. Please take one, complete it and return it to Joyce or Pat. **IMPORTANT:** Please kindly read the 'Guidelines for Infant Baptism in the Parish'. These are available on the parish website or, alternatively, you may pick up a copy from the porch. Please note, we comply strictly with these guidelines.

Truth Project: Bishop Tom Burns has decided to set aside time for the purpose of meeting with victims and survivors of clerical, child sexual abuse who live in Menevia. This will be done in co-operation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator, who will assist the Bishop in responding in the best possible way to those who speak to him in his pastoral role as their Bishop, to let him know of their pain, hurt and anger. If you have suffered clerical, child sexual abuse, no matter how long ago, or even if it was outside of the Diocese, please call the Truth Line on 07598 966956. Your calls will be taken in the strictest confidence and maintained as such throughout the project.

Business Matters: Canon Benedict is very happy to have informal chats with everyone after weekend Masses, however, **ALL official matters are to be discussed during office hours, by appointment only. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.** Thank you.

The Lenten Station Mass for Swansea Deanery - This will take place at the Sacred Heart parish, Morriston, Swansea on Ash Wednesday, 6th March at 7:00 p.m.

Newsletter: It has been observed that many parishioners are not taking their newsletters home, but leaving them behind in the pews. Please kindly take it home with you and re-read it at your leisure.

Your last week's offerings: £1,213.83
(Including Standing Orders and 2nd Collection)

PLEASE REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Parish Finance: Please find below the summary of income and expenditure of the Parish:

Average Monthly Income	£3840.00
Average Monthly Expenditure	£5671.09
Average weekly Income	£960.00
Average weekly Expenditure	£1417.78
Weekly Deficit	£457.78

**** More detailed information in the porch.**

**** Please consider increasing your weekly**

contributions as the present income is not sustainable.

** Gift Aid returns will reduce the weekly deficit, but will not make up the shortfall. If you are a tax payer and you are not already signed up to the Gift Aid giving system, please consider doing so, it will not cost you any extra, but the Church will get the benefit of tax relief.*

A warm welcome to those who have recently made the Cathedral their regular place of worship. It is a good idea to let your Parish Priest know your name and address so that he will know who, and where, you are. Furthermore, if you are already an Altar Server, Reader etc. and would be prepared to exercise your Ministry here, please speak to the Parish Priest.

Mass Intentions Received: Healing for Rita Lewis; Sid & Louise Gabriel (RIP);

Sanctuary Lamp Requests: Clifford & Margaret Robinson (RIP); Michael Cura (RIP); Malcolm Smith (RIP); Daniel & Elizabeth Davies (RIP); Carroll and Collins Family.

Please note: We have **Sanctuary Lamp requests** in the diary right up to 21st April. The earliest available slot for a sanctuary lamp request is 28th of April.

Hymns for Sunday Liturgy

Opening Song	Spirit of truth and grace;	939
Preparation of Gifts	This is my will, my one command;	921
Communion	Servant Song;	924
Closing	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty.	601

Choir Practice: New members always welcome. Please see Andrew after the 10:00 a.m. Mass or contact the Office.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: The Bishops' Conference of England & Wales has decreed the following changes to the observance from 2018:- The Epiphany, currently kept on the first Sunday after New Year, will be celebrated on 6th January (or on the nearest Sunday if the 6th falls on Saturday or Monday); The Ascension, currently kept on the Sunday before Pentecost, will be celebrated on the Thursday after the 6th Sunday of Easter, that is, 40 days after Easter Sunday.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes & Shrines of France: 4th-12th September 2019. Cost £675 per person (sharing). For more information, please contact Sr Margaret Fitzgerald, Stella Maris Convent, Eaton Cres., Uplands, Swansea. SA1 4QR. - Tel: 01792 473453