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Sunday, 11th December 2022

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

- Sunday 11th** **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
17:30 Sat. Vigil Mass: Richard & Moira Heady (RIP)
08:00 Sun. Mass: Dennis Morgan (RIP)
10:00 Mass: People of the Parish
- Mon. 12th** **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
09:15 CRYPT Mass: Personal Intention of CJ
19:00 **Bishop Vaughan Christmas Carol Service**
- Tues. 13th** **St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr**
NO PUBLIC MASS
- Weds. 14th CRYPT** **Weekday in Advent**
09:15 Mass: Angela Berry
- Thurs. 15th** **Weekday in Advent**
NO PUBLIC MASS
- Fri. 16th CRYPT** **Weekday in Advent**
09:15 Mass: Jack & Kate Hartigan (RIP)
- Sat. 17th** **Weekday in Advent**
NO MORNING MASS

17:30 Vigil Mass: Kathryn Fisher (RIP)
- Sunday 18th** **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
08:00 Mass: Sr. Martina Kane (RIP)
10:00 Mass: People of the Parish

The Holy Father's General Intention for December:

"Let us pray that volunteer, non-profit organisations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international co-operation"

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.

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, we fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins my Mother. to thee do we come, before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer them.
Amen.

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals:

Deacon Tony Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Jean Davies, Lee Ellery, Taylor Mai, Jeffery Jones, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Nathan Jones, Gary Lewis, Bernard Kenealy, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain, Christopher Browne, Helena Hughes, Frank Alderman, Margaret Pitson, Brian Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy, Patrick (Paddy) Colclough, and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

ANNIVERSARIES: Monica Price, Peter John Rees; Paul Anthony Jones; Patricia Cecilia Mary Burton; Ioan Valentine Evans. Reginald David Passmore.

PLEASE PRAY FOR all those who have been affected by Covid-19 and especially for those who have lost loved ones to the COVID virus.



Sanctuary Lights:

1. MLP (Sick)
2. Leslie & Marjorie Phillips.



NOTICE

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Deceased): Sr. Martina Kane (RIP)

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS:

PARISH WEBSITE: Please note that our official website is now up and running at www.meneviacathedral.org

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: As is customary at this time of year, throughout Advent you will find a collection basket at the back of the church for donations towards Christmas flowers. Your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES are now available at the back of the church.

RCIA PROGRAMME: Meetings take place on Sunday at 4 p.m. This very informative Programme is also open to anyone wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith. Please pick up a form from the porch, complete it and return it to the parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023: The next class takes place in the Holy Family Hall at 6 p.m. on Tuesday 13th December. **NB:** Classes are fortnightly until February, then weekly. Children must be in school **Year 3 or above** in order to begin preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If your child falls into this category and hasn't yet been Registered for the course, **please complete a Registration Form (available at the back of the church) and return it, together with a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate, and return it to the Parish Office.**

BAPTISM PROGRAMME: Parents wishing Baptism for their child, please pick up a Registration form from the porch, complete it and return to Sr. Nora, who will contact you with the date/time of the next programme.

WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING CONTACTLESS DONATIONS: Our new contactless terminal is in the porch. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/device to make a donation. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader.

DONATING ONLINE: You may also donate online, just click on the link: <https://donate.mydona.com/st-josephs-cathedral>

DONATING BY MONTHLY BANKER'S ORDER: you may continue to use this method also. Our bank account details are as follows:

Sort Code: 55-61-20

Account Number: 01678442

Account Name: Diocese of Menevia Cathedral.

PIETY SHOP: Christmas stock is selling rapidly. Get yours now before everything disappears! **NB: For your convenience, you may now make contactless payments for Piety Shop items using your Credit/Debit card. Simply select "Other Amount" from the on-screen menu of the contactless terminal, tap "Piety Shop" and input the amount you wish to pay.**

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY: In the event that a Priest is needed to make a sick visit to someone in hospital, please call the following numbers: **Singleton Hospital:** Fr Clement (01792) 655336; **Morrison Hospital & Ty Olwen Hospice:** The Chaplaincy Team may be contacted on 07792 003905

GIFT AID YOUR DONATION – whatever method you choose, if you are a taxpayer, please opt into the **GIFT AID** scheme. It increases your donation by 25%, It means, that at no extra cost to yourself, the Church can claim an extra 2p for every £1 received. **GIFT AID (GAD) FORMS are available in the porch.** If anyone needs help filling out the form, please see Mary Clare who may assist. Thank you.

COVID . . . A REMINDER TO BE CAUTIOUS!! Covid is still circulating!! For your own safety . . . (1) Please sanitise on entry; (2) face masks/coverings while not mandatory are still strongly advised; (3) please respect we have parishioners who are still concerned about the virus; (4) the sanitising of benches continues; (5) avoid congregating in the porch. Importantly, out of respect for others, anyone feeling even slightly unwell, should stay at home and self-isolate until they've taken a COVID test and returned a negative result. Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

CLEANING THE CATHEDRAL: Now that the renovations are complete, we need to clean the cathedral in readiness for Christmas. This is going to take place on Wednesday 14th, after the morning Mass. We are looking for volunteers to come and join the 'cleaning party'. **ALL WELCOME TO COME AND HELP.** Thank you.

BISHOP VAUGHAN CAROL SERVICE will take place here in the cathedral at 7:00 p.m. on Monday 12th December.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL SCHOOL JUNIOR CAROL CONCERT will take place in the cathedral at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday 21st December.

A BIG "THANK YOU!" to all those who took part in our Marian devotions to the Immaculate Conception over the last 10 days. This is the first time in recent years that we have had a parish Novena and the feedback, so far, been very favourable.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL: sincere thanks to all who attended our Anniversary Mass on Wednesday. We are privileged to have been graced with the presence of two Archbishops in what I'm sure you will agree, has been a truly memorable week.

A HUGE VOTE OF APPRECIATION goes out to all who helped, in any way, to make these events such a success. I especially, thank those who did the catering on several days. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. *Canon Benedict.*

THE PARISH CHRISTMAS SOCIAL EVENING will take place on Friday 16th December. Time: 7:00 p.m. till late. Venue: Holy Family Hall. Music by JC; Bingo; Raffle. Bring your own drinks. **TICKETS - £5.00 Children welcome!**

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE – VIGIL MASS	5:30 p.m.
MIDNIGHT MASS	11:30 p.m.
	10:00 a.m.
CHRISTMAS DAY MASS	Chief Celebrant: Archbishop Mark, Bishop of Menevia.