



# Saint Joseph's Cathedral

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## Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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

**Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

17:30 (Sat.) Vigil Mass: Thanksgiving (AG)

08:00 Sun. Mass: Mary Pepler (Birthday)

10:00 Mass: People of the parish

**Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> Weekday in Ordinary Time.**  
NO MASS

**Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> Ss. Cosmos & Damian, Martyrs**  
NO MASS:

**Weds. 27<sup>th</sup> St. Vincent de Paul, Priest**  
09:15 Mass: D'd Members of Collins Family (RIP)

**Thurs 28<sup>st</sup> OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA – FEAST**  
NO MASS

**Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> SS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS - FEAST**  
NO MASS

**Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> St. Jerome, Priest, Doctor**  
NO MORNING MASS

17:30 (Sat.) Vigil Mass: Eileen Davies (RIP)

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

08:00 Sun. Mass:

10:00 Mass: People of the Parish

### ***The Holy Father's Intention for September:***

*"We pray for those persons living on the margins of society in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance."*

### **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, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Gary Lewis, Bernard Kenealy, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain, Christopher Browne, Helena Hughes, Margaret Pitson, Brian Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy, Patrick (Paddy) Colclough, Eileen Morgan and all the sick. May the Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

***ANNIVERSARIES:*** Cheryl Davies, Fr. Michael Burke, Maureen Davies, David Rees Mainwaring, Nora Mollie Evans, Richard Winston.



### **Sanctuary Light**

1. MLP (Sick)
2. David Kavanagh (RIP)



## NOTICES

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Deceased):** John Hurley; Billy O'Donnell;

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):** Special Intention (C.H.), Maralyn Brain (Sick),

### **SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS:**

**REQUESTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS:** Please be aware, if you want to book Anniversary and Birthday Masses, particularly at weekends, you need to do so at the earliest possible time . . . 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 be scheduled for the 5:30 p.m. and 08:00 a.m. only. **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. Canon Benedict.

**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>

Sort Code: 55-61-20

Account Number: 01678442

Account Name: Diocese of Menevia Cathedral.

**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 25p 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.

**PIETY SHOP:** 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.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024** – There will be a meeting for parents/carers of children who wish to make their First Holy Communion this school year, on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 6 p.m. in the Holy Family Hall, opposite the church. Please note that children must be in school **year 3 or above** in order to Begin preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Please ensure you fill in the registration (you can pick one up at the back of the church) and include a copy of the Baptismal certificate and return it to either the church office or bring it along to the meeting with you.

**RCIA:** New programme for those wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith, or merely wanting to deepen their Faith begins Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October. Time: 4:30 p.m. Venue: Library of Clergy House. Please spread the word to anyone you think might be interested. Thank you.

**LECTIO DIVINA** is temporarily 'on hold'. Please continue to watch this space for information regarding the re-start date. Thank you. Sr Nora Mary

### LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Loose plate: £708.35

Electronic plate: TBA

Standing Orders: TBA

### HYMN NUMBERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Entrance: 725; Offertory: 731 & 604; Communion:788;  
Recessional:880

The response to . . .

"Not our will . . . . ." is

"but your will, Lord, be done."

## "LIFE IN THE SPIRIT"

### A 7-WEEK COURSE

to explore who the Holy Spirit is.

Venue: St Joseph's Cathedral 'Holy Family Hall'  
Convent Street, Swansea. SA1 2BX

When: EVERY THURSDAY EVENING

beginning on 7<sup>th</sup> September

right through until

19<sup>th</sup> October (inclusive)

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

ALL WELCOME

**THE DIOCESE OF MENEVIA** is looking to appoint a **SAFEGUARDING DEVELOPMENT MANAGER** on a 2-year fixed contract. This is a full-time post - 35 hours per week. To view job description and person specification, and to download an application form, please visit [www.menevia.org/vacancies](http://www.menevia.org/vacancies).

Closing date: Midday on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

### From Canon Benedict . . .

I would like to thank you all, most sincerely, for the very many messages, prayers, Mass cards, congratulations cards, gifts and your generous money donations received on the occasion of my 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Priestly Ordination.

To say I am truly humbled by your outpouring of love and generosity would be an understatement.

I would especially like to pay tribute to all those who were involved with the planning and preparations for my Mass of Thanksgiving and Buffet Reception. You did well to keep it secret!

I make particular mention of those who did the catering for the buffet. Thank you . . . you excelled yourselves, once again. I never expected that the occasion would be celebrated on such a grand scale.

As I enter into my 26<sup>th</sup> year of Ministry, please continue to pray for me, as I pray for you. May God bless us all.

Canon Benedict