

# Saint Joseph's Cathedral




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## Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2023

***This week at the Cathedral: Year: B (II)***

- Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
17:30 (Sat.) Vigil:  
08:00 Sun. Mass:  
10:00 Mass: *People of the Parish*  
16:30 R.C.I.A.
- Mon. 4<sup>th</sup> Weekday of 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent**  
09:15 CRYPT Mass:
- Tues. 5<sup>th</sup> Weekday of 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent**  
09:15 CRYPT Mass:
- Weds. 6<sup>th</sup> Weekday of 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent**  
09:15 CRYPT Mass:
- Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL**  
11:00 CHAPTER MASS – Chief Celebrant:  
Archbishop Mark O'Tool, Archbishop of Cardiff, Bishop of Menevia.
- Fri. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (Solemnity)**  
09:15 CRYPT Mass:
- Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> Saturday of 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Advent**  
**NO MORNING MASS**  
17:30 (Sat.) Vigil Mass: *Dennis Morgan (Anniversary)*  
**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
08:00 Sun. Mass:  
10:00 Mass: *People of the Parish*  
11:15 Baptism – *Joanne Chinonye Ugwu*  
16:30 R.C.I.A.

***The Holy Father's Intention for December:***

*"We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation.."*

### **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, 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:** Luigi Peiana; Gerard Sullivan; Carole Hyde, Colin James Jenkins.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Rev. Fr. Owen McGreal (retired Parish Priest of St. Teilo's, Tenby) who recently departed this life. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.



### **Sanctuary Light**

1. MLP (Sick)



## NOTICE

**ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL:**  
At 11:00 a.m. on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December, a **CHAPTER MASS** with the Deans of the Cathedral Chapter will take place in the Cathedral. Chief Celebrant will be His Grace, Rev. Archbishop Mark O'Toole, Archbishop of Cardiff and Bishop of Menevia. Your presence will be greatly appreciated. Thank You – Canon Benedict.

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Deceased):** Bernard Pitson; Pitson Family; Gladys, Tom & Brendan Davies. Delia & John Ahern and Deirdre Hooper;

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):**

**SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS:** MLP (Sick) <sup>x4</sup>

**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>

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**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: Christmas cards; calendars and diaries for 2024** now available and selling fast. Make sure you get yours before they sell out. Piety Shop items may be paid for at the Contactless Giving Point, 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** – The next class takes place at 6 p.m. on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December in the Holy Family Hall. Children must be in school **year 3 or above** in order to begin preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Late admissions: 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 parish office.

**RCIA:** The new programme for those wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith, or merely wanting to deepen their Faith is now underway. Meetings take place every Sunday

at 4:30 p.m. in the Library of Clergy House. Please spread the word to anyone you think might be interested. Thank you.

**LECTIO DIVINA:** 7 p.m. every Thursday, in the Library of Clergy House.

### LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Loose plate: £559.06  
Electronic plate: TBA  
Standing Orders: TBA

### HYMN NUMBERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Entrance: 112; Offertory: 84 & 610; Communion: 772;  
Recessional: 366.

The response to . . .

"O God, keep us awake to you. . . ." is  
"and alive to your call."



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

for parents & children aged between 0-6 years  
at the 10:00 MASS only.

Whilst the Liturgy of the Word and Homily are taking place in the church, children under the age of 6, and their parents, have the opportunity to listen and respond to the Sunday Gospel at an age-appropriate level.

During these sessions the Children's Liturgy Catechists use Gospel reflections, prayers, songs and activities to help our youngest parishioners to explore their faith. Parents, I would urge you to please take advantage of this opportunity. Thank you. Canon Benedict.

### CAROL SERVICE

Our parish Carol Service will take place on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> Dec. at 6 p.m. Please come and join us for this lovely celebration of the real meaning of Christmas. Refreshments, including mulled wine & mince pies will be available in the Holy Family Hall after the service.

### CALLING ALL CHILDREN . . .

If you would like to be part of the Nativity during the Carol Service then please come after the 10:00 Mass on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Don't be shy, come and join in!

### CATHOLIC YOUTH RETREAT FOR AGES 13 to 18+

at Stella Maris Convent, Swansea

**SATURDAY 16<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2023**

HOLY MASS – ARCHBISHOP MARK O'TOOLE  
Live Music, Inspiring Talks, Great Food, Fellowship.

£10 for the day

Please see poster in the porch for further details,  
Including instructions about how to Register.