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22nd DECEMBER 2024

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

Sun 22nd Dec 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT
5:30 p.m. (Sat.) Vigil Mass: Anthony Eaton (RIP)
08:00 (Sun.) Mass: Kathryn Fisher (RIP)
10:00 Mass: People of the Parish

Mon. 23rd Crypt 23rd December
09:15 Mass: John Hurley (RIP) (Anniv.)

Tues. 24th 24th December
NO MORNING MASS

Christmas Masses will be celebrated in the Cathedral

5:30 p.m. CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS
9:30 p.m. Christmas Carols followed by . . .
10:00 p.m. MASS OF CHRISTMAS NIGHT

Weds. 25th 25th CHRISTMAS DAY (Solemnity)
10:00 **MASS OF CHRISTMAS DAY**

Thurs. 26th Crypt - St. Stephen, First Martyr (Feast)
10:00 Maureen & Ray Courtney (RIP) (Anniv.)

Fri. 27th Crypt - St. John, Apostle, Evangelist (Feast)
NO PUBLIC MASS

Saturday 28th The Holy Innocents, Martyrs (Feast)
NO MORNING MASS
5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass: Bernard & Margaret Pitson (RIP)

Sun 29th THE HOLY FAMILY
08:00 (Sun.) Mass: Billy Tennant (RIP) (B'day)
10:00 Holy Mass & opening of the Jubilee Year
"PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE"
Chief Celebrant:
Rev. Archbishop George Stack,
Emeritus Archbishop of Cardiff

Holy Father's Intention for December: "Let us pray that the coming Church Jubilee Year 2025 strengthens us in our faith; helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope."

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

ANNIVERSARIES: Daniel John Hurley, Patrick Joseph Coleman, Sr. Lucy Hennessy UJ, Kitty Screen, William Doherty, Joan Colcough, Audrey Garrett.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of Gerard Holley who died on 17th December. May he rest in peace.

CONGRATULATIONS to Dr. Mary-Ellen Courtney and Mr. Thomas Selby on their marriage which took place on Saturday 21st December. We wish them a long and happy life together and may God bless them richly.



Sanctuary Lights

1. Kathryn Fisher (RIP)
2. Bernard & Margaret Pitson (RIP)

WEEKDAY MASSES: Please note that all weekday Masses are now being celebrated in the crypt. Weekend Masses continue to be celebrated in the cathedral.

A SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN AFTER COMMUNION. This collection will be 'ring-fenced' and 'off-set' against our energy bill. Thank you in advance for your kind co-operation.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED (Deceased):

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SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS:

REQUESTS FOR MASS INTENTIONS: We currently have a lot of outstanding Mass Intentions on the books and whilst we are doing our utmost to accommodate requests for Masses on specific dates, you will appreciate it is not always possible so we schedule them to the nearest free slot. **NB:** 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.

PLEASE NOTE: No further bookings are currently being accepted for the Saturday Vigil Mass as it is already fully booked until February 2025. Thank you for your patience.
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CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS: Christmas & Easter offerings are the parishioners' opportunity to thank their Priest for service during the year. Envelopes at the back of the church. You can also use the Contactless Giving Point, using your Credit/Debit card. Select "Other Amount" from the on-screen menu of the "Dona" contactless terminal, tap "Christmas Offering".

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025: The next class is scheduled to take place at 5:30 p.m. on Monday 13th January 2025 in the Holy Family Hall. Thank you.

CONFIRMATION 2025: The next Confirmation class is scheduled to take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday 5th January 2025 in the Library of Clergy House. - *val & John*

RCIA: Meetings take place on Sundays at 4:30 p.m. on the Library of Clergy House. Please spread the word to anyone you think might be interested. Thank you.

LECTIO DIVINA: 7 p.m. Thursday evenings in the Library of Clergy House.

The response to . . .

"Let it be to me: . . . " is
"according to your will."

HYMN NUMBERS

Entrance: 112
Communion: 772

Offertory: 113 & 603
Recessional: 856

OFFERINGS FOR 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

1st Collection (Loose plate): £721.26
2nd Collection (ENERGY) (Loose plate): £289.62

NB: At a cost of £40 per hour, the energy cost of heating the cathedral for the duration of the three weekend Masses alone, is £250. That does not include the lighting. This is, unfortunately, why we need a second collection.

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ENERGY ACCOUNT

Alternate ways of donating towards the Energy account:

1. Second Collection (Loose Plate)
2. Dona Contactless Giving point
3. Bank Standing Order – details below . . .
Sort Code: 55-61-20
Account Number: 24406570
Account Name: Menevia Cathedral 2

Canon Benedict and Sr. Nora Mary
extend Christmas greetings to all.
May you experience a very happy
and holy Christmas, filled with
the love, joy, and peace
of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.