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Times and Intentions of Holy Mass for the Coming week

Saturday 4 th July <i>Vigil of the 14th Sunday on Ordinary Time</i>	5:00pm 5.30pm	<i>Confessions</i> Mary Rees RIP (Christine Hurley)
Sunday 5 th July <i>14th Sunday on Ordinary Time</i>	8:00am 10.00am	Geraldine Lewis RIP (Pat Cole) Pro Populo (<i>For the People</i>)
Monday 6 th July <i>St Maria Goretti</i>	9:30am <i>Followed by adoration</i>	John Hurley RIP Birthday (Christine)
Tuesday 7 th July	NO MASS	
Wednesday 8 th July	6:00pm 6:30pm	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Brendan, Tom, Gladys Davies RIP Anniv (Mar Clare)
Thursday 9 th July	9:30am <i>Followed by adoration</i>	Richard Jones RIP (Geraldine Jones)
Friday 10 th July	9:30am <i>Followed by adoration</i>	Alan Jones RIP (Yvonne Kavanagh)
Saturday 11 th July <i>St Benedict</i> <i>Vigil of the 15th Sunday on Ordinary Time</i>	5:00pm 5.30pm	<i>Confessions</i> Albert Brain RIP (Pat Smith)juh
Sunday 12 th July <i>15th Sunday on Ordinary Time</i>	8:00am 10.00am	Anne Larkin RIP (John Family in Canada) Pro Populo (<i>For the People</i>)

Please pray for those who are unwell:

Deacon Tony Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Lee Ellery, Taylor Mai, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Gary Lewis, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain, Christopher Browne, Brian Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy, Paddy Colclough, Eileen Morgan, Eileen Griffiths, Melanie Kennedy, Rita Lewis, Danielle Jones; Donald Pitson, Pat Durran, Barbara Watts, Neil Rooney, and all the sick.

Recently Died: William Bishop RIP, and Val Eaton RIP, may they rest in peace.

RIP anniversaries: Mary Surman, Richard Jones, Mary Williams, Donald Lindenburn, Marissa Warburton, Irene Buckley, Maggie Douglas, Sheila Keaveny, and all the faithful departed.

May they rest in Peace - Amen



OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY:

28th June 1st Collection (Loose Plate) **£659.54**

If you would like to make your offertory donation on line by BACS please contact the office for our bank details. Alternatively, there is a Standing Order form from the porch, or on our website if you wish to set up a regular payment. There is also the collection at Mass each week.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.

Sanctuary Lamps are lit for:

Fr Michael Burke RIP



Mass Intention Requests: There are still a number of Mass Intentions that have been given in some time ago. I am trying to combine them with more recent requests, so sorry for any delays in publishing intentions.

Baptism Information: is available in the porch. Please complete the form after reading the information and then arrangements can be made for parents to attend a short course before a date for baptism is arranged.

Thank you for your generosity: for the Peter's Pence collection which raised: £302:50
Thank you for your kindness!



Prayer to St. Michael, Archangel

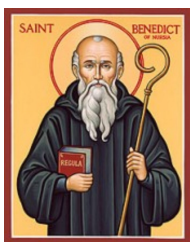
Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



Fr Phillip writes... Spontaneity is a wonderful thing, but so is planning for forthcoming events and what must be done day by day—the gift of organising and planning is something that I wonder at, and wish I had more of!

A year ago, my mother became very unwell, and as it turned out, it was to be her final illness, but she wanted to spare me the upset of planning her funeral, so she called her cousin to write down some things she would like – to give me some direction when needed. Ultimately, I was involved in planning her funeral, and it was difficult, but a real help to have her wishes when the time came. With the current beautiful weather, it may help to lighten the difficulty of looking towards such events – so enjoy the sun and stay cool, and write down your thoughts for your funeral, and keep them safe for a long time to come!

Feast of St. Benedict of Nursia (ca. 480 – ca. 547) : was born into a wealthy family, but he was not interested in wealth, and was given the opportunity to study and learn in Rome.



He was saddened how the students and academics did not live lives of faith, and decided to retreat to the country to spend his time praying and studying while living in a cave, away from the rest of society, and the distractions of the world. His saintly approach to life gained the attention of many who wanted to learn from him, and eventually he was persuaded to establish monasteries that followed his teaching of simplicity, prayer and work.

He wrote his Rule of life, which he described as a “simple rule for beginners”, and this Holy Rule shaped Western Monasticism. He is a patron of Europe, and father of Western Monasticism.

It was Benedictine Monks that founded this Cathedral Church, and images of St Benedict are carved in stone overlooking the Sanctuary, and also in the Stained Glass Windows. St Benedict – Pray for us!

The Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia Youth Mission:

have arranged two events for young people from our parishes during the Summer.

Pilgrimage - to the National Shrine of Our Lady of The Taper in Cardigan on the 18th July for Year 8's to year 13's

Summer Camp – in Pembrokeshire, on August 5th – 9th, for year 9's to year 13's

Please see the posters in the porch for more information via the QR code, or the telephone number is 02920-379490. The e-mail is youth@cardiffmenevia.org

There is a charge for the events, but for families who are struggling to pay the fee, help will be provided.

Pilgrim Statue Of Our Lady Of Fatima:

Parishioners who would like to welcome the statue into their home for a short period of prayer are invited to add their names to the sign-up sheet this weekend. To arrange a visit or learn more, please speak with Philippa Gray or John Kennedy.



Saint Maria Goretti

(October 16, 1890 – July 6, 1902) is an Italian virgin-martyr, and one of the youngest canonized saints.

She was born to a farming family. Her father died when she was nine, and they had to share a house with another family, the Serenellis.

Maria took over household duties while her mother, brothers, and sister worked in the fields. One afternoon, Alessandro, the Serenellis' son, made unwelcome advances to her, but when she refused to submit to him, he stabbed her fourteen times. She was taken to the hospital but she died forgiving him.

He was arrested, convicted, and jailed. During imprisonment he repented. After 27 years he was released from prison, and visited her mother to beg forgiveness, which she granted. He later became a lay brother in a monastery, dying peacefully in 1970. She was beatified in 1947, and canonized in 1950 by Pope Pius XII, and she is the Patron Saint of Victims of rape, Crime victims, teenage girls, modern youth.



Planning a funeral for a loved one:

is not something we look forward to doing, however, it is inevitable that we will have to do this at some time. There are so many decisions to be made, and many options, and all along we want to do what we can to honour the wishes of the person who has died. One thing all of us can do is give some help and guidance to our families, to take the guess work of what we would like for our own funerals.

This is of great help to grieving families trying to do the best they can to show love and honour us. These conversations are not something some families feel comfortable in having, so one option is to write down guidelines to help those we love plan our own funerals. There are funeral planning leaflets in the Church Porch, that will help you do exactly this. If this is something that might help you and your families, please take one and read it, and fill it in—then keep it in a safe place so it can be found when needed. Also, if you attend Mass, and your faith is important to you, please let your family know you would like a Requiem Mass. It would be tragic not to have this, if your loved ones do not practice, and yet you do. If you need any help, please talk to Fr Phillip, who will be happy to help you.



Annual Pilgrimage to the grave of Saint John Kemble:

This year's pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 23rd August 2026, 10.15a.m. Monmouth to Welsh Newton. Pilgrims set off to walk to Welsh Newton from St Mary's Church, Monmouth after 9.15 a.m. Mass.

Everybody welcome. All enquiries to: The Pilgrimage Secretary: Mrs M Walsh, phone 07907 616578



"Prefer nothing whatever to Christ, and may he lead us all together to life everlasting. "- St Benedict