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Times and Intentions of Holy Mass for the Coming week

Saturday 1 st August <i>Vigil of the 18th Sunday on Ordinary Time</i>	5:00pm 5.30pm	<i>Confessions</i> Margaret, Ken & Pauline Williams RIP (Mary Clare)
Sunday 2 nd August <i>18th Sunday on Ordinary Time</i>	8:00am 10.00am	Peter, Ted & Bessie Harries RIP Pro Populo (<i>For the People</i>)
Monday 3 rd August	9:30am <i>Followed by adoration</i>	Margaret Pitson RIP (MC Pitson)
Tuesday 4 th August <i>St John Mary Vianney</i>	9:30am <i>Followed by adoration</i>	Thanksgiving for deceased priests
Wednesday 5 th August	9:30am <i>Followed by adoration</i>	Peggy Llewellyn (Angela Cooze)
Thursday 6 th August <i>The Transfiguration of The Lord</i>	NO MASS	
Friday 7 th August	NO MASS	
Saturday 8 th August <i>Vigil of the 19th Sunday on Ordinary Time</i>	5:00pm 5.30pm	<i>Confessions</i> Elaine & Lino Carrieri RIP Anniv. (Teresa Bevan)
Sunday 9 th August <i>19th Sunday on Ordinary Time</i>	8:00am 10.00am	Holy Souls 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.

RIP anniversaries: Ken Williams, Margaret Stevens, Sean O'Donnell, Alexander Taylor, William Webber, Billy Popham, Francis McSwiggan, Gareth Evans, Wladislaw Maslo, Luigi De Marco, Elaine Carrieri, and all the faithful departed. ***May they rest in Peace - Amen***

OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY:

26th June 1st Collection (Loose Plate) **£752.31**

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:

Elaine & Lino Carrieri RIP Anniv



Mass intention Request Envelopes:

At long last, these have arrived, and are now available in the porch. Please use them if you would like Holy Mass to be offered for an intention.



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.

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.



*If you are visiting the parish on holiday
Croeso—Welcome!*

*If you are going on holiday—
Have a great time—come home safe!*

Fr Phillip writes... At this time of year, so many people are enjoying a Summer holiday – the chance to have some recreation and rest. We allow our God to re-create us through our engagement in prayer and reflection, as well as having a break from the work of our usual day to day lives. I will be away for the next two weeks, and attempting to sort out my parents estate Please keep me in your prayers, as I will keep you in mine each day. Mgr Joe Cefai is looking forward to celebrate the Sacraments with you all – I know you will make him welcome – God bless!

Supply cover for The Co-Cathedral

Monsignor Canon Joe Cefai has very kindly agreed to Come to the cathedral on supply on the 8th/9th, 15th/16th of August.

He will celebrate the Weekend Masses, as well as celebrate Mass during the week on a Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10:00am. Starting next week.

All Pastoral Emergencies will be covered by Canon Paul Watson from St David's Parish in Swansea. Please only call him for Pastoral Emergencies – Thank you for your consideration!



Would you like to be part of a fund-raising activity to raise funds for our parish?

A 200 club, is a way of raising funds while having the chance to win some money in the process ... Ideally 200 parishioners sign up and pick a number each. Every month numbers are drawn at random from the 200, and there are cash prizes! This means each month people win money, but also the additional money is banked for the parish.

It costs just £5 each month to be in the draw, and ideally people pay via direct debit for the month, or the year. There are kind volunteers who can give you more information after Mass in the porch, so please consider signing up to show interest, and hopefully, if enough people would like to take part, we can begin in the very near future!! Thank you for your support!



Did you know... The cathedral Parish is over £48,000 overdrawn? I very recently found out that it was £38,000 in debt, and I had to extend the loan from the Archdiocese to pay outstanding bills both from before my arrival, and bills we have received since my arrival.

I am currently doing my best to limit expenditure, and to cut back wherever possible, I have also enlisted the help of departments within the Archdiocese, but this is a challenge! Anything you can do to help our fundraising is very much appreciated. Many thanks to our team of fundraisers – if you feel you can help, please let me know. Thank you – Fr Phillip

The Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia Youth Mission:

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.

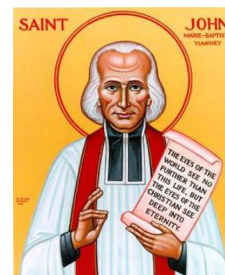
The e-mail is youth@cardiffmenevia.org

The Parish Office is closed for TWO weeks .
In case of Pastoral Emergency, please contact Canon Paul Watson VG, at St David's Priory on 01792-653 343.

We ask the prayers of each other, and of the saints:

St John Vianney was nearly not ordained, because he struggled so much with his seminary studies. St John later became the most famous parish priest in France attracting thousands to his confessional, and the first secular parish priest to be canonised.

In our own ways, with our own distinct skills and characters, we have a role in helping others on the pilgrimage we all make towards our Saviour. This week, let us remember to pray for one another, as well as those who are most in need. Through God's grace, may we build his kingdom here and now, and show his love to others – Saints of God—Pray for us!



Please can you help in the sacristy?

As we do not have a sacristan, I set up the things for Mass at the moment.

I would be very grateful if someone could help out! Thank you in advance for your help – Fr Phillip

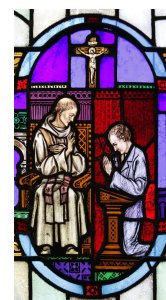


The Saints and their teaching on

Sacramental Confession: Going to the sacrament of Reconciliation can sometimes be daunting. We don't always like to say out loud our sins and might even be embarrassed to approach the priest. Yet, the Church invites us with open arms and invites us to make use of this great sacrament. St. John Vianney knew well the power of this sacrament.

He would spend up to 16 hours a day hearing confessions. People from miles around would travel to the saintly priest, just to go to confession. He knew confession was a great aid to our soul and preached about it on many occasions. He said of confession – *"It is a beautiful thought, my children, that we have a Sacrament which heals the wounds of our soul! God makes a greater speed to pardon a penitent sinner than a mother to snatch her child out of the fire. When you go to confession, you must understand what you are about to do; you are about to un-nail our Lord."*

His approach was simple and loving, with complete trust in the mercy of God. St Alphonsus, even though he was a gifted academic had the same simple approach *"What does it cost us to say: 'My God help me! Have mercy on me!'"* Is there anything easier than this? And this little will suffice to save us if we be diligent in doing it." Our approach needs to be the same—simple, honest and trusting in God's great love for us. If you haven't made your confession in a while, consider it now, and trust God's merciful embrace in this Sacrament of His healing love.



"God Himself teaches us to go forward with our hand in His by means of the Church's liturgy."

— St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.