

Priory Church of Our Lady and St Michael, Abergavenny Eglwys y Priordy Ein Harglwyddes a Mihangel Sant, y Fenni

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Sunday 6th July – 14th Sunday of the Year.



Saturday 5th July – Sunday 13th July 2025.

YEAR OF JUBILEE 2025.

"Pilgrims of Hope."
All Church services live streamed at

www.olsm-abergavenny.co.uk

Also services livestreamed from Belmont Abbey belmontabbey.org.uk/online-streaming
Evening Prayer at 5pm on

www.facebook.com/OurLadyandStMichaelChurch

Saturday, 5th July

9.30am Rosary for Life.

10.00am Mass in OLSM Church - Kris Davies - sick.

Followed by confessions, exposition & benediction.

1.00pm Concert – Soprano – Anne Wilkins and Pianist.

5.00pm Mass in Llanarth Church - Miriam Warner RIP.

Sunday 6th July – 14th Ordinary Sunday.

*8.00am Mass in OLSM Church – People of the Parish.

*10.00am Mass in OLSM Church – Eileen Michalik RIP

(Parish Council meeting 11.45am in the centre.)

5.00pm Evening Prayer on Facebook.

*6.00pm Mass in OLSM Church – Colin Anderson RIP.

Monday 7th July -

10.00am Mass in OLSM Church - Sick of the Parish.

5.00pm Evening Prayer.

5.00pm Syro-Malibar Mass in OLSM Church.

Tuesday, 8th July

10.00am Mass in OLSM Church – Kris Williams – sick.

5.00pm Evening Prayer. 6.00pm Evangelisation Group.

Wednesday 9th July -

10.30am Mass in Llanarth Church - Miriam Warner RIP.

5.00pm Evening Prayer – No Bible Group today.

Thursday, 10th July –

10.00am Mass in OLSM Church - Carol Baker RIP.

(Early mass time today.)

1.00pm Wedding Service in OLSM Church.

1.00pm Lunch Club. 5.00pm Evening Prayer.

Friday, 11th July - St. Benedict - Patron of Europe. 10.00am School Leavers Mass in OLSM Church -

5.00pm Evening Prayer on Facebook. 6.00pm Faith Group.

Saturday, 12th July

9.30am Rosary for Life.

10.00am Mass in OLSM Church – Martina Hodges & Family. Followed by confessions, exposition & benediction.

2.00pm Wedding Mass in OLSM Church.

5.00pm Evening Prayer on Facebook.

5.00pm Mass in Llanarth Church – Miriam Warner RIP.

Sunday 13th July – 15th Ordinary Sunday – SEA SUNDAY.

*8.00am Mass in OLSM Church – People of the Parish.

*10.00am Mass in OLSM Church – Catherine Griffiths-anniv & Ron Lee RIP. (Parish Council meeting 11.45am in the centre.)

*6.00pm Mass in OLSM Church - Sheila Woodhouse RIP.

Mass Reflection:

Jesus has a vision in this week's Gospel: Satan falling like lightning from the sky, the enemy vanquished by the missionary preaching of His Church. Sent out by Jesus to begin gathering the nations into the harvest of divine judgment, the seventy are a sign of the continuing mission of the Church. Carrying out the work of the seventy, the Church proclaims the coming of God's kingdom. She offers His blessings of peace and mercy to every household on earth, "every town and place He intended to visit." Our Lord's tone is solemn today, for in the preaching of the Church "the kingdom of God is at hand," the time of decision has come for every person. Those who do not receive His messengers will be doomed like Sodom. But those who believe will find peace and mercy, protection and nourishment in the bosom of the Church, the Mother Zion we celebrate in this week's beautiful First Reading, the "Israel of God" Paul blesses in this week's Epistle. The Church is a new family of faith in which we receive a new name that will endure forever, a name written in heaven. In this week's Psalm, we sing of God's "tremendous deeds among men" throughout salvation history. But of all the works of God, none has been greater than what He has wrought by the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ. Changing the sea into dry land was but an anticipation and preparation for our passing over, for what Paul calls the "new creation." And as the Exodus generation was protected in a wilderness of serpents and scorpions, He has given His Church power now over "the full force of the enemy." Nothing will harm us as we make our way through the wilderness of this world, awaiting the Master of the harvest, awaiting the day when all on earth will shout iovfully to the Lord and sing praise to the glory of His name.

Collection totals for Sunday, 29 th June	
1 st Collection	£126.78
Gift Aid	£158.50
Peters Pence Collection.	£481.74
Automated credits (April 2025)	£5029.33
Contactless Card Reader	£155.00

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES – If you would like to a set of Offertory Envelopes, let Fr. Matthew or Colin Prosser know.

CONTACTLESS CARD READER now available in Church. Thank you to all parishioners who now make direct bank payments to the parish. Please do consider doing this. Our bank details are: NatWest – Belmont Abbey Mission CIO - Our Lady & St. Michael's No. 1 Account no. 60708778 Bank Sort Code: 53-50-41.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Christian Meditation Group – The weekly meditation group continues on most Monday's, at 11am, now in the home of Deirdre Mahon. For more info contact Deirdre on 07789 404041.

PETERS PENCE – Thankyou for your generosity for the collection for Peter pence last Sunday £481.74.

SEA SUNDAY – Next Sunday 13th July, retiring collection for Stella Maris, (Apostleship of the Sea) to support work with Seafarers.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE, Monday 6th - Friday 10th October, Flying from Bristol with Tangney Tours, £770, with £140 single supplement. Hotel Alba, full board, info on website/back of Church.

BIBLE GROUP – Meets next Wednesday 9th July. Email Fr. Matthew for the invite.

ABERGAVENNY FOODBANK - The donation point for Abergavenny Foodbank is in the church porch. Your continued support by donating items to the food bank is appreciated. The SVP coordinate the transfer of items. The manager of Abergavenny food bank is asking for volunteers to help out at the food bank. for more info visit: https://abergavenny.foodbank.org.uk

PARISH COUNCIL – The next Parish Council takes place this Sunday 6th July at 11.45am in the presbytery. PAC MINUTES – Minutes of the March PAC meeting on the website and on the notice board.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, meets next on Monday 8th September at 6pm in the Presbytery.

PRAYERS FOR THE PARISH – Every Saturday morning (10.45am), we have Exposition and Benediction for the intentions of growing our parish and reaching out to those no longer in Church. This is supported by chants and hymns.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

COLLECTION - We tackle poverty in all its forms by providing assistance to people in need. Our recent appeal collection realised in excess of £800. We would like to thank the parish for their continued generosity to help us in our mission. New members always welcome to join us. For further information on SVP visit: https://www.svp.org.uk contact: presidentg050512@svp.org.uk, or Fr Matthew.

CATENIAN ASSOCIATION If you are interested in joining us contact Jim Cronin 01873 854498 or jimcronin1@hotmail.com

EVANGELISATION GROUP – Meets next on Tuesday 8th July at 6.0<u>0pm, beginning in Church</u>.

SUMMER DRAW, the winning tickets were drawn last Sunday, list of winners on parish notieboard.

ST. MICHAELS CENTRE REPAIRS, the long delayed repairs to the centre have finally begun.

EILENE MICHALIK RIP – Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eilene Michalik who died recently in Rozelle Nursing Home. Funeral TBA.

SONG RECITAL & CONCERT

Next Saturday 5th July 1pm - OLSM CHURCH. "Anne Wilkins-Soprano." Star of Michael McIntyre's Big Show on TV, Accompanist - Wanda Koseda. Free, Refrshments to follow.

SCHOOL LEAVERS MASS. For the year 6 students leaving OLSM school this year, this coming Friday at 10am in OLSM Church.

SAFEGUARDING Parishioners are reminded that if they have any safeguarding concerns, regarding the care of children, young people or vulnerable adults they should contact our safeguarding reps - Willie and Evelyn Duggan on (07581) 168719 or Fr. Matthew.

ARCH (ABORTION RECOVERY CARE HELPLINE)

Struggling after abortion? You are not alone. Give us a call - ARCH (Abortion Recovery Care Helpline): 0345 603 8501 info@archtrust.org.uk

Life Charity Pregnancy matters. Need to talk? Call free 0808 802 5433 We are here to listen.

SPUC – RIGHT TO LIFE For updates on the fight to protect unborn life and life nearing its end, sign up for updates from SPUC and/or RIGHT TO LIFE at: https://righttolife.org.uk/ https://www.spuc.org.uk/

FAITH GROUP.. Next meeting Friday 11th July at 6pm, in the presbytery.

SYRO – MALIBAR RITE MASS – To be celebrated monthly in our parish. Next mass this Monday 7th July at 5pm.

GRANGE HOSPITAL – The Catholic Chaplain to the Grange Hospital is Fr. Peter McClaren, available on 07561 469343. CARDIFF HEATH HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY – 029 2184 3230

HARVINGTON HALL - PARISH OUTING -

Saturday 19th July, 9am-5pm. Travel by Coach, tours around hall, holy mass, free time. All ages welcome, cost £15 for adults, kids/young people free. 59 parishioners now booked on the trip, NO SPACES LEFT.

Volunteer Support Team - The Archdiocese is establishing a Volunteer Support Team to provide practical and emotional assistance to parishes during times of crisis or difficulty. We are seeking empathetic individuals with strong listening skills who can help create a compassionate and supportive environment for priests and parish communities in need. Interested in finding out more? Call the safeguarding team on 029 2037 9480 or email safeguarding@rcadc.org

SPUC CARDIFF & DISTRICT - SPONSORED

WALK. The annual Sponsored walk in aif of SPUC takes place on 6th July. We are being asked to sponsor the key walker – Lizzie Crudge. Sponsorship forms at the back of Church.

CHARITY EVENING for CRY – CARDIAC RISK IN THE YOUNG – Saturday 12th July, St. Michaels Centre 5.30pm on wards. Tickets £15 to include Hog Roast. Music, Bar, Auction.

Call Mario on 07940 442662. All proceeds to

WEDDINGS – Please pray for the following couples getting married here this week – Alice Stephens and Rhys Winnett of Neath on Thursday and Martha Bates and George Cave of Abergavenny this Saturday.

COLIN ANDERSON RIP – Please pray for the repose of the soul of Colin Anderson, of Rozelle Nursing Home who died last Monday. Funeral TBA.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK AND THE HOUSEBOUND OF

OUR PARISH: Kris Williams, Ann Watkins, Eileen Jones, Tom and Eileen Thompson, Mervyn Elias, Triona Eveston, David Powell, John and Muriel Brand, Joan Stone, Sarah Louise Coleman, Mary Jones, Michael Keohane, Keith Taylor, Jeremy Proctor, John and Michael Hargaden, Chris and Tracy Shaw, David Johnstone, Maria Tedescho, , Elizabeth Coopey, Brigid Malnati, Chris O'Connell, Angela Jones, Ann Green, Winnie and Stan Herbert. Please also pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently - Colin Anderson, Eilene Michalik, Carol Baker, Bishop Mark Jabale, Pope Francis, Lance Hathaway, Virginia McGladdery, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Safe Spaces Support, Advice and Info Tel: 0300 303 1056 (answerphone available Email: SafeSpaces@FirstLight.org.uk Safe Spaces is a free and independent support service, providing a confidential, personal, and safe space for anyone who has been abused by someone in the Church.

Ecumenical and Interreligious Pilgrimage - Thursday 3rd July- Join this year's Ecumenical and Interreligious Pilgrimage, hosted jointly by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia and the Church in Wales Diocese of Llandaff. The pilgrimage begins at 1:30pm on Thursday, 3 July 2025 at St Padarn's Institute with reflections from Archbishop Mark and Bishop Mary Stallard (Bishop of Llandaff), followed by a walk to St Teilo's Well and Llandaff Cathedral before crossing the River Taff to Bute Park and on to St David's Cathedral for a liturgy of prayer and reaffirmation of Baptism, with refreshments to follow, concluding around 5pm. A wonderful opportunity for different faith traditions to journey together, bearing witness to God's love. To book your place, head over to

here: https://tinyurl.com/3k3exdvb

INTERCESSIONS BOARD – Parishioners are reminded that there is the intercession/prayer board in Church on Our Lady's altar, where parishioners intercessions can be placed. These are brought forward at the 10am mass and placed before the altar.

CAROL BAKER RIP – please pray for the repose of the soul of Carol Baker of Govilon who died recently. Service in the Llanfoist cemetary chapel this Friday 11th July at 1pm.

ST. BENEDICT FEAST DAY – This Friday, 11th July, celebrated as Patron of Europe. Please keep the Belmont Monastic community in your prayers.