

The Parish of St Michael and All Angels Belmont Abbey

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Dear friends in Christ,

Our Annual Parish Garden Fete is this coming Saturday (20th June) at 2pm! Once again, it should be a great afternoon of fun and delights. Books of raffle tickets for our Grand Draw are available in the glass porch for you to sell to your family and friends. We still need donations of bottles for the bottle stall, plants for the plant stall and cakes for the cake stall!

Next weekend we have a mission appeal from the Comboni Fathers. One of their priests will be here in person to make the appeal. Their founder, Bishop Daniel Comboni (1831-1881) was canonised on October 5th 2003 by Pope Saint John Paul II in recognition of his decisive role in bringing the Gospel to sub-Saharan Africa in the second half of the Nineteenth Century.

Today almost four thousand Comboni Missionary priests, brothers, sisters and lay people of forty-four nationalities follow in the footsteps of St Daniel Comboni in bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to the 'poorest and most abandoned' in Africa, the Americas and Asia.

Next Sunday, 21st June, is the Day for Life with the theme, "The Wonder of the Child in the Womb." The theme also recognises the loss of children who died before birth and the grief of their parents. The bishops' message and prayers can be found on the Day for Life website: www.dayforlife.org.

Next week I will be attending my aunt's 80th Birthday on Saturday and so will be up in Newcastle from Monday to the following Monday. Fr Patrick will be looking after the Parish while I am away and will be available on the Parish telephone number.

My prayers and best wishes,

Fr Augustine

**Belmont Abbey
Parish Accounts
for May 2026**

- Total: £-1,144.39
- Income: £6,752.13
- Outgoings: £7,896.52

**Parish Standing
Orders for May**

- £2,436.00

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 14TH JUNE 2026

4.00pm Vigil Parish Mass with hymns
Forgotten Souls

8.30am Parish Mass
Stephen Mirfin RIP

9.30am *Sung Conventual Mass*

11.00am Sung Parish Mass with Children's Liturgy
Anne Williams

Monday Feria Tuesday Memoria - St Richard of Chichester,

Bishop
10.15am Parish Mass with Adoration until 11.30am
Beth MacBain

Wednesday Feria

Thursday Feria

Friday Memoria - St Romuald, Abbot

10.15am Parish Mass

Saturday Memoria - Sts Alban, Julius & Aaron, Protomartyrs

10.00am to 10.30am Confessions

Conventual Mass
8.00am - Monday to Saturday

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 21ST JUNE 2026

4.00pm Vigil Parish Mass with hymns
People of the Parish

Sunday
8.30am Parish Mass
Fete Volunteers

9.30am *Sung Conventual Mass*

11.00am Sung Parish Mass
Michael Harris RIP

If you need a Mass said for any intention,
please let Fr Augustine or Fr Patrick know.

Parish Collection - Total donated: £315.12
- Cash last weekend: £99.62
(excluding 9.30am Mass)
- Digital last weekend: £215.50

Second Collection to support the Comboni Fathers
Mission Appeal next weekend

Sunday Mass Readings are from Year A
Weekday Mass Readings are from Year II

HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN: Fr Patrick Lobo is the Catholic Chaplain who makes regular visits. If you or a loved one wants him to visit while in hospital please let him know. Telephone: 07922 323603. Fr Patrick can also be contacted on the parish telephone number while Fr Augustine is away.

SICK: Pray for Denise Ellis, Edmund Hayes, Seamus Hayes, Pat Draper, James Rogers, Sally Hayward, Margaret Rose, Anna Rudnicka, John Hackman, Maria Helena, Rosemary Nicholls, Beth Macbain, Florence (Flo) Ramage, Polly Maund-Powell, Abbot Charles, Mandie Chapman, Joanna Savory, John Stannard, Anne Williams, Karolina Busko & Greg Primavesi.

ANNIVERSARIES: Pray for the repose of the souls of Austen Lilwall, Dom Bede Moore, Stephen Mirfin, Tony Hemson, Ida Davies, Marion Rosser, Edna Ledford, Muriel Daniels, Patricia Jean Firkins, Victor Hill, Cardinal Basil Hume OSB, Cecilia Wegg-Prosser, Agnes Rogers, Archbishop Romanus Bilborough & Dr Michael McGinn.

LECTIO DIVINA: Meetings are on Wednesdays 11am–12noon : 24th June, in the Parish Centre and 22nd July in The Chapterhouse (major feasts of the English Church).

LEARN TO PRAY: At The Chapterhouse, Belmont Abbey, Saturday, 27th June, 11.00am to 4.00pm. A day of teaching on prayer, led by CCO founder Andre Regnier. Open to anyone who wants to deepen their prayer life – no previous experience needed. Part of the CCO (Catholic Christian Outreach) three-week Diocesan Mission across Cardiff-Menevia - running from 19th June to 5th July. More details at: rcadc.org/a-mission-for-the-whole-diocese-cco-comes-to-cardiff-menevia

NIGHTFEVER: At SFX church on Saturday, 27th June, 7.30pm to 9.00pm. The doors of the church will be wide open and parishioners will invite people in the street to come into the church for a few moments of quiet prayer and to light a candle for a loved one." Part of the CCO three-week Diocesan Mission across Cardiff-Menevia.

NEEDLE NEEDS: Help is needed, initially for some napkin-hemming for the Monk's Refectory. If you are able to help please contact either Fr Augustine, Fr Patrick or Fr Christopher.

DOWNSIDE ABBEY FESTIVAL 2026: A series of concerts this Summer in the magnificent setting of Downside Abbey, 16th-19th July. Artists include David Bednall and the Bristol Brass Consort, the Choir of St Mary's, Wimbledon and the Tenebrae Associate Artists. The highlight of the four-day festival will be a 'Come and Sing', directed by Sir John Rutter. Tours of the Abbey Church will take place and there will be an opportunity to see the exhibition 'Everyday Lives'. More information is available at: <https://www.downsideabbey.co.uk/downside-abbey-festival-2026/>

CAFOD EVENING: On Friday, 26th June at 7.00pm, CAFOD South Wales will be bringing to St Michael's Centre in OLSM parish, Abergavenny two of their partners and associates from Columbia in South America - Gerardina Cardozo Aragon and Tania Ruiz Cardona. They will be speaking about the challenges in the Colombian Amazon (deforestation/destruction of their common home, extractivism (oil, illegal gold mining), the ongoing armed conflict, violence against women, impacts of climate change) and what they are doing in their diocese to resolve the issue with the support from CAFOD.

WELSH CHAMBER ORCHESTRA CONCERT: Friday, 3rd July in OLSM Church, Abergavenny at 7.30pm. "Mozart in Abergavenny." Tickets £20, or £35 including drinks reception after concert. More information is available on the parish website: www.olsm-abergavenny.co.uk

HEREFORD POLICE MALE VOICE CHOIR ANNUAL CONCERT: Takes place on Friday, 26th June, 7.00pm at St Francis Xavier's Church, Hereford. Tickets are £12 and under 18s go free. For more information visit: www.herefordpolicechoir.org

LE VOCI LADIES CHOIR & CANTAMUS GIRLS CHOIR: Present an evening of song in aid of Yeleni Therapy and Support, a local charity. In Belmont Abbey on Saturday, 27th June at 7.00pm. Tickets are £12 for Adults, £5 for Students and under 16s go free. Tickets are available at: levocicantamus.eventbrite.com or on the door.

THE BIBLE: MYTH OR HISTORY?: A free illustrated lecture series in Biblical Archaeology with David Rohl. Session 5 - Kadesh-Barnea - The location of Kadesh-Barnea. Aaron's tomb on Mount Hor. The journey to Abel-Shittim. The death of Moses on Mount Nebo. Saturday, 11th July 2.00pm to 4.00pm, location within Belmont Abbey to be confirmed. Free parking, Free entry. Monthly lectures on the second Saturday of each month.

"WELL READ MOM": Catholic ladies book club would like to invite new members, all women welcome! "Well Read Mom" accompanies women in the reading of great books and spiritual classics to encourage personal growth, friendship and meaningful conversations in order to explore the human condition and reorient ourselves to what is good, beautiful and true. To find out more ask Lizzie Frost 07735452899, Liz Leahy 07746 612015, or Renata Schmidt.

PARISH SUPPORT GROUP: Provides a regular link and support between the wider parish community and parishioners who are unable to attend Holy Mass or parish events due to a change in personal circumstances.

Please get in touch with us on: 01432 374712 or belmontsupp@gmail.com

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