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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 30TH AUGUST 2026

Dear friends in Christ,

On Tuesday we have a special Day of Creation, organised by our CAFOD group, for the beginning of the Season of Creation, an annual period in the Catholic Church and across many Christian traditions dedicated to prayer, reflection and action for the care of Creation. It runs from 1st September to 4th October, the feast of St Francis of Assisi, who is widely regarded as the patron saint of Ecology.

The day will begin with a Mass for the Care of Creation at 10.15am. From 11.30am there will be a meditative walk around the Abbey gardens. Starting from the Parish Centre, there will be prayers, readings and reflections, pausing at beautiful visual displays designed to explore the theme of living water. This will be followed by a light lunch. Please see the poster on the CAFOD board in the glass porch for complete details about the day and sign the book in front of the board if you are interested in attending the lunch.

This Friday we celebrate the Dedication of the Abbey Church, the birthday of our parish and monastic church. Let us give thanks to God for the beautiful church in which we get to give praise and glory to God.

My prayers and best wishes,

Fr Augustine

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4.00pm	Vigil Parish Mass with hymns <i>Rob & Stephanie Warren (Wedding Anniversary)</i>
8.30am	Parish Mass <i>Vera Dawson RIP</i>
9.30am	Sung Conventual Mass
11.00am	Sung Parish Mass <i>George Mecina RIP</i>
Monday	Memoria - St Aidan, Bishop
Tuesday	Feria
10.15am	Mass for the Care of Creation followed by Adoration until 11.30am
Wednesday	Feria
10.00am	Requiem Mass for Marion Luscombe followed by burial
Thursday	Feria
Friday	SOLEMNITY - DEDICATION OF THE ABBEY CHURCH
10.15am	Parish Mass <i>Seb Wood RIP</i>
Saturday	Memoria - Blessed Virgin Mary
10.00am to 10.30am	Confessions <i>Conventual Mass 8.00am - Monday to Saturday</i>

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026

4.00pm	Vigil Parish Mass with hymns <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday	
8.30am	Parish Mass <i>Jane Rees (Hayes) RIP</i>
9.30am	Sung Conventual Mass <i>Jeanette Livermore (Birthday)</i>
11.00am	Sung Parish Mass <i>Peter & Pauline Woodward</i>
3.30pm	Ukrainian Liturgy

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

Parish Collection - Total donated: £370.29
- Cash last weekend: £227.79
- Digital last weekend: £142.50

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. In an emergency, or if Fr Patrick is unavailable, please contact Fr Augustine on the parish telephone number. He is always happy to visit.

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, Joanna Savory, John Stannard, Anne Williams, Karolina Busko, Greg Primavesi, Derek Wood, Mav Kuhn & Karen Say.

ANNIVERSARIES: Pray for the repose of the souls of Dom Illtud Barrett, Ellen Fish, I Breakwell, W Jones, D Pinches, Claude Ruffhead, George Mecina, Harry Biltcliff, John Bindon, Anthony Davies, John Edward Hickman, Frederick Ward, Cecil Wegg-Prosser, Sebastian Michael Wood, Henry Llewellyn, Anthony Smith, Dom Bernard Wassall & Dom Cadfan Williams.

WOW@BELMONT: Our next meeting is Tuesday, 1st September at 11.00am in The Chapterhouse. A warm welcome to any widows or widowers who would like to join us for a cuppa, cake and friendly chat.

WALSINGHAM ROSARY FOR PEACE: Takes place on the first Tuesday of the month in the Abbey Church. Everyone is welcome to 21, Woodfield Gardens, Belmont for tea afterwards. The next meeting is Tuesday, 1st September at 3.00pm.

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA: On the weekend of 5th/6th September the World Apostolate of Fatima (England and Wales) is bringing to the parish of Our Lady and St Michael in Abergavenny, the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima. All are invited to come and see this beautiful National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, with the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco. Please see the timetable on the poster in the porch or visit: www.worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk

THE TROJAN WAR – FACT OR FICTION?: A free illustrated lecture examining the archaeological evidence about the Trojan War with David Rohl. Saturday, 5th September, starting at 2.00pm to 4.00pm, in The Chapterhouse, Belmont Abbey. Free parking, Free entry including complimentary refreshments.

THE BIBLE: MYTH OR HISTORY?: A free illustrated lecture series in Biblical Archaeology with David Rohl. Session 7 - In Search of Eden: The geography of Paradise and its fabled garden. Saturday, 12th September 2.00pm to 4.00pm, in The Chapterhouse, Belmont Abbey. Free parking, Free entry. Monthly lectures on the second Saturday of each month.

TINTERN SUNG VESPERS: An Ecumenical Service in anticipation of the Feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross at 3.00pm Sunday, 13th September at Tintern Abbey. The monks of Belmont Abbey will be singing alongside Newport Cathedral Choir. Abbot Brendan will be preaching. Please bring a folding chair and umbrella. Entry to the Abbey and parking is free to those attending the service. Lunches and teas, are available in the village.

PARISH OPEN MEETING & AGM – Saturday, 19th September, 10.00am–12.30pm

Join us and discover the many groups, ministries and activities that make up our parish. There will be an opportunity to meet those involved at stations around The Chapterhouse, find out more about what we do, and discover how you can get involved. Elections for members of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will also take place. Nomination papers are available in the glass porch, and we warmly encourage parishioners of all ages and backgrounds to consider this important role in helping to guide the future of our parish.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL - MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP MARK:

Archbishop Mark has spoken out on the return of the Assisted Suicide Bill to Parliament:

"It is immensely disappointing that the Bill to legalise assisted suicide is being re-introduced to Parliament. It does nothing to uphold the dignity of every person, or encourage investment in good palliative care, which is the best way to accompany those facing challenging situations at end of life."

The Bill will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday, 11th September. Postcards from the network Not Dead Yet UK are available in the glass porch to send to your MP to register your opposition towards the Bill.

CLERGY WELFARE OFFICER: The Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia is seeking a Clergy Welfare Officer to support priests approaching retirement, already retired, or on sick leave — helping with health, finance, housing and care needs. A rewarding part-time role for someone with a heart for pastoral care and experience in healthcare or social services. 14 hours per week, £32,000 pro rata. Closing date: 26th September 2026. For an information pack and application forms, or to ask a question, please email hr@cardiffmenevia.org.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 – SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA: Young adults aged 18–30 are invited to join the Emmaus Encounter pilgrimage to World Youth Day, taking place from 28th July to 9th August in Seoul, South Korea. The package includes airport transfers, bed & breakfast accommodation, 4 nights in the Diocese of Incheon and 7 nights in Seoul with access to all main WYD events, plus daily Mass and formation. Archbishop Mark will be accompanying the group throughout. The cost is £1,500 plus flight fare (TBC - around £800 to £1200), with spaces limited and allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. To join or find out more, email wyd@cardiffmenevia.org or call 02920 379490.

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.

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