



The Parishes of the Blessed Sacrament Gorseinon & St Bride's Pontarddulais



First Sunday of Advent

WHAT'S ON

Tea and Coffee

Please join us for tea, coffee and a chat after mass on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month in Gorseinon.

Film Club

Every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month in the Gorseinon Parish Hall. Doors open at 1.30pm, film to start at 2pm.

Holy Rosary Group

First Saturday of the month at 11am in the Blessed Sacrament

Men's Rosary Rally

First Saturday of the month in Swansea Centre, outside St David's Priory at 1pm.

Scripture Group

Meet Tuesday at 5pm in the Parish Office.

ANNIVERSARIES THAT OCCUR THIS WEEK: - Fr John O'Hara, Pat Botto, Annie MacCormac, Willie Wilson, Michael Walsh, Kevin Walsh, Hilda Andrews, Margherita Moruzzi, John William Conlon, Janice Mary Smale, Joe Seingry, Betty Cullen, John McAvoy, Steve Quigley, Larry Ficoni, James Rice, Sean Paul O'Connor, Elizabeth Williams.

SOLEMNITIES, FEAST AND MEMORIA: Weds 3rd Dec - St Francis Xavier; Thurs 4th - St John of Damascus; Sat 6th - St Nicholas

OF YOUR CHARITY: Please pray for those who ask our prayers at this time: Mary Donovan, Ian O'Brien, Wendy Wilcox, Dorothy Stocking, Alan Jones, Tina Jones, Kathy Thomas and all who are sick, housebound, or hospitalised and those who care for them.

NATIVITY FAMILY MASS: Practice for the **Nativity Family Mass** on Christmas Eve will be during the Sunday children's liturgy. All children welcome.

ANNUAL PARISH RAFFLE: Raffle tickets for the Annual Parish raffle are available from Margaret Cleveland as you leave church today.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE Adoration with Confession on Sunday 7th December 25 from 9.40am to 10.20am in the Blessed Sacrament Church, Gorseinon.

SECOND COLLECTION next Sunday (7th December) will be for flowers for Christmas in the church.

Reading Cycle: Year A (II)

This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday	29th	5pm	People of the Parish - St Bride's
Sunday	30th	10.30am	Ramon Gabriel RIP (TD)
Tuesday	2nd	9.30am	Marivic Ruiz RIP (TD)
Wednesday	3rd	9.30am	No Intention - St Bride's
Thursday	4th		No Mass
Friday	5th	9.30am	No Intention
Saturday	6th	5pm	People of the Parish - St Bride's
Sunday	7th	10.30am	Tom John RIP & Pio Martinez RIP (MJ)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday	From 4.30pm	St Bride's
Sunday	From 10:15am	Blessed Sacrament (or after mass on request)

Our Lady's Lamp Intentions

<u>Blessed Sacrament:</u>	Margaret Rose	St Bride's: V.L. (ML)
	Jones RIP (AJ)	

Holy Cross Abbey, Whitland: Have Christmas cards for sale. You may place orders by using the form in the church porch or by email to hcawhitlandshop@gmail.com.

PLASTIC TUBS COLLECTION FOR MACMILLAN: Last Christmas we collected Plastic Tubs, which were recycled and the money collected donated to Macmillan Cancer charity. We want you to collect and donate any plastic tubs you have and leave them in the church porch again this year. Many thanks.

SHROUD OF TURIN EXHIBITION at Swansea Minister Church of St Marys' from Nov 17th until Dec 10th 2025. All are welcome, entry is Free, further information at <https://swanseaminster.org.uk/events-%26-news>

ADVENT RETREAT: "God enters only his own rooms, where someone is always keeping watch for him..." - Father Alfred Delp SJ. St Joseph's, New Zealand Road, Cardiff are having an Advent Retreat on Saturday 20 December from 9.15 am – 12 noon. It will begin with Mass at 9.15 am followed by a talk. There will then be refreshments followed by Adoration (during which time there will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)). The retreat will end with Benediction. All are welcome.

Holy Rosary Group: This new group is being formed by a parishioner to enable those who would like to come together to pray the rosary. The group will meet in the Blessed Sacrament church on the first Saturday of the month commencing on Saturday 6th December at 11am. Everyone is welcome. If you haven't got rosary beads they are available in the repository.

ARCHDIOCESAN NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER is now available to read online. This month's edition focuses on our prayers for the Holy Souls during November and the continuing Jubilee of Hope. Archbishop Mark reflects on how our prayers for the deceased express the bonds of love that continue beyond death. The newsletter includes updates on the Sisters of St Joseph's 375th anniversary, the Educator's Mass, next year's pilgrimage, the election of a new Abbess at Poor Clare Abbey, and upcoming events including Welsh Mass and an Advent Retreat. Archbishop Mark continues to urge opposition to the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill currently before the Senedd. Read the full newsletter by clicking this link: <https://tinyurl.com/2bn38xdf>

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER & NEWSLETTER ADDITIONS: The Electronic Newsletter is now being sent to those who requested a copy. If you would like to receive a weekly newsletter by email or you have any newsletter additions, please email gorseinon@menevia.org.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR NEXT SUNDAY - DEC 7TH

<u>Readers:</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u>
Niran Akinjo, Emmanuelle Adeboboye	Group A

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