



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



## Fourth 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:** Evan Phillips, Yvonne Simonne Morgan, Matthew Callender, Mary Francis McCarthy, Josie Fuge, Martha Langley, Margaretta Jane O'Neill, Josephine Johnson, Peggy Cook, Richard Phillips, Liam Stocking, Larry Watkins, William Langley, Alan Evans, Thomas James O'Neill, Peter Cleaveland, George Digby Bayliss, Vera Morgan, Alfred Chester, Michael John Fitzgerald, Margaret Dowling, Annette Butler, Jon Lawlor, Agnes Mary Jones, William Davies, Peter McGlynn, Alfred Chester, Katie Fay Griffiths, James Lewis, Angelinus Godoy, Winifred Ashill, Arthur Joseph Ambrose, Alice Maud Barton, Ernest O'Neil

**SOLEMNITIES, FEAST AND MEMORIA:** 23rd Dec - St John of Kanty. Priest, 25th Dec - Nativity of the Lord, 26th Dec - St. Stephen. First Martyr, 27th Dec - St. John. Apostle. Evangelist, 28th Dec - Holy Family.

**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.

**Children's Christmas Party** will be held today, Sunday 21st December 25 from 12pm in the parish hall. All children welcome. For more information contact Anne-Marie on 07956331430. There will be **NO coffee and Tea** today due to the children's Christmas Party being held in the parish hall.

Reading Cycle: Year A (II)

### This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday	20th	5pm	<a href="#">People of the Parish - St Bride's</a>
Sunday	21st	10.30am	Liam Stocking & Stocking Family
Tuesday	23rd	9.30am	No Intention
Wednesday	24th	5.00pm	Family Mass
		8.00pm	<a href="#">Mass during the Night - St. Bride's</a>
		12.00am	Midnight Mass
Thursday	25th	10.30am	Nativity of the Lord
Friday	26th	9.30am	<b>No Mass</b>
Saturday	27th	5pm	<a href="#">People of the Parish - St Bride's</a>
Sunday	28th	10.30am	In Thanksgiving.

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday	From 4.30pm	<a href="#">St Bride's</a>
Sunday	From 10:15am	Blessed Sacrament (or after mass on request)

### Our Lady's Lamp Intentions

<u>Blessed Sacrament:</u>	<a href="#">St Bride's: No Intentions</a>
Nancy & Ron Powell RIP (SM)	

**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.

**Holy Rosary Group:** This new group has being formed by a parishioner to enable those who would like to come together to pray the rosary. The group met in the Blessed Sacrament church yesterday and will meet on the first Saturday of the month. Next Rosary Group meeting will be on Saturday 3rd January 2026 at 11am. Everyone is welcome. If you haven't got rosary beads they are available in the repository.

**Crib Offerings 2025** This year's Crib Offerings will be shared between Aid to the Church in Need and projects helping homeless people within the Archdiocese. If you would like to donate electronically there will be a QR code ,which you can scan next to the crib from Monday 22nd December 25.

**Christmas Offering Envelopes** are available in the porch. This offering goes directly to the parish priest and is collected twice a year at Easter and Christmas.

**Readers for Christmas:** We need readers for Midnight Mass and Christmas morning Mass. If you can assist please let Stephen know.

### Clergy Appointments:

- Canon Benedict Koledoye will move from St Joseph's Co-Cathedral, Swansea to Canton/Fairwater as Parish Priest and will be in situ for the weekend of 7/8 February 2026. St Mary's Priory, Canton will also become an "Induction and Formation House" for all priests arriving from abroad.
- Fr Phillip Harries will move from Carmarthen to St Joseph's Co-Cathedral and will be in situ for the weekend of 21st/22nd March 2026. Fr Phillip will be on sabbatical from the beginning of January until that date.
- Fr Carlito Reyes will remain at Holy Cross Abbey, Whitland for these next months and will provide cover for Carmarthen, from the beginning of January until the beginning of February, 2026.
- Fr Solomon Ugwummadu will move from Canton/Fairwater to Carmarthen as Priest-in-Charge and will be in situ for the weekend of 7/8 February 2026.
- Fr Clement Oloruntoba OP is appointed as Priest-in-charge at Gorseinon/Pontarddulais with immediate effect. He will retain chaplaincy at Swansea Prison and Singleton Hospital.
- Fr Anthony Nwosu will move to Tenby/Saundersfoot as Priest-in-Charge, with immediate effect and this will be reviewed in the Summer 2026, given his newness to the diocese and the local pastoral situation.

**NEWSLETTER :** For newsletter queries, please email [gorseinon@menevia.org](mailto:gorseinon@menevia.org) .

### CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2025

#### Blessed Sacrament Church. Gorseinon

24th Christmas Eve: 5pm Children/Family Mass with Blessing of the Crib; 12.00am Midnight Mass during the Night

25th Christmas Day: 10.30am Nativity of the Lord

28th December 25: 10.30am Mass - Holy Family

#### St Bride's Church Pontarddulais

24th Christmas Eve: 8.00pm Mass During the Night with Blessing of the Crib and Carols

27th December 25: 5.00pm Vigil Mass – Holy Family

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR NEXT SUNDAY 27TH DEC

Readers: C Taylor, O Iyobor

Eucharistic Ministers: Group B

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