

## Parish of St. Teilo's with Our Lady of Lourdes

A Parish of the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia

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# Weekend 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> November The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

#### Today's Mass

The Mass readings and prayers for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time are on page 164 of the Parish Mass Book.

## **Christ the King – World Youth Day**

On this great Solemnity of Christ the King, the Church celebrates World Youth Day. His Holiness Pope Leo has written a message to all young people to help them to mark this day. The theme this year is "You also are my witnesses, because you have been with me" (John 15:27).

Pope Leo reminds all young people that he would like them all to focus on two aspects of witness: their friendship with Jesus, which we receive from God as a gift, and their commitment to be builders of peace in society. The Full Text of the Holy Father's message can be read here:

https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/youth/documents/20251007-messaggio-xl-gmg.html

#### **Funeral Service – Andrew Neary**

On Monday at 10.30am at St. Teilo's we have the Funeral Service of Andrew Neary, uncle to our parishioners Martin and David Griffiths, who died recently. May he rest in peace.

#### **Lisvane and Llanishen Reservoir Walk**

As part of our parish's ongoing fitness activities, the Walk and Talk group is taking a wellbeing stroll – weather permitting – around the reservoir each Monday at 12.45pm. Please meet in the car park. There is 90 minutes free parking.

#### No Tuesday Evening Adoration this week

There will be no Adoration at St. Teilo's on Tuesday this week due to the concert taking place that evening.

#### City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Brass Band and Good Vibrations Chorus

On Tuesday evening the Good Vibrations Chorus, a singing group, supported by the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama and Parkinson's UK, to help people better manage their Parkinson's symptoms, along with the City of Cardiff (Melingriffith) Community Brass Band, will have a concert at 7.00pm. Tickets will be available on the door.

#### Mass on Wednesday

Due to the Annual Mass for the deceased clergy of the Archdiocese, Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes on Wednesday will be at the earlier time of 9.30am.

#### **Coffee and Tea after Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes**

We will have coffee and tea in the St. Pope John Paul II Chapel at Our Lady of Lourdes after the 9.30am Mass on Wednesday. If you are at Mass on that day, please stay behind and spend some time socialising and sharing with our fellow parishioners.

### **Archdiocesan Clergy Requiem Mass**

The annual Requiem Mass for the Clergy of the Archdiocese will be celebrated by Archbishop O'Toole and the Archdiocesan Clergy on Wednesday at 11.00am at All Hallows Church, Miskin. We are all encouraged to go along to pray for those deceased priests who have served us so faithfully over the years.

#### **RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

The Parish Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme continues. The sessions run in the Parish Hall at St. Teilo's on Wednesday evenings at 6pm.

#### **Parish Rosary Prayer Group**

The Parish Rosary Prayer Group meets on the last Thursday of each month at 2.00pm in Ty Mair, 19 Heol y Waun CF14 1LB at the junction of Heol Gabriel and College Road. The group members have intercessory prayer, read and discuss the following Sunday's Gospel, pray the Rosary, pray the 3 o'clock prayer and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, and have a cuppa! The next meeting takes place on Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to attend.

#### Adoration and Exposition – Our Lady of Lourdes

The Polish Community holds silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursday evenings from 7.30 to 8.30pm. All are welcome to come along and pray in silence, in the presence of the Lord Jesus. Adoration is preceded by Mass in Polish at 7pm.

#### Adoration and Exposition - St. Teilo's

There will be Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.30am to 11.30am at St. Teilo's this Friday. Why not come along to spend time in silent prayer and Adoration before the Lord?

#### Sick and Retired Clergy Fund

Next weekend there will be the annual retiring collection for the Archdiocesan Sick and Retired Clergy Fund The fund makes a vital contribution to the cost of providing our priests with a secure and dignified retirement. Donating is one way in which we can simply say 'thank you' for their years of service.

#### Yr Offeren yn Gymraeg

Dydd Sul nesaf bydd y gymuned Gymraeg yn dathlu Offeren yn Gymraeg am 4.30pm. Next Sunday, we welcome the Welsh language community who will be celebrating Mass in Welsh at 4.30pm. Croeso!

#### **Reaching Out Project Christmas Food Appeal**

Together we can help make this Christmas special for the families we support by donating food items that will go towards the specially prepared hampers that each family will receive. We are asking for donations of Christmas puddings, biscuits/cakes, chocolates/sweets, tinned ham/salmon, tea/coffee, jam/marmalade, chutney/pickled onions etc.

Please place your donation in the boxes at the back of each Church **no later than Sunday, December 14**<sup>th</sup> . Please do not donate any perishable items.

#### Walk With Me: Advent and Christmas

This pocket-size booklet of prayers and reflections for Advent and Christmas is now available at the back of the Church, ready for the start of Advent. Archbishop Mark O'Toole has written a foreword to the booklet and recommends it as an aid to prayer. Why not sit quietly with Walk with Me for a few minutes each day? Walk with Me costs £1 per copy, the money can be put in the Piety Stall box at the back of the Church or by selecting Piety Stall on the electronic donation machine.

#### Piety Stall - Christmas Cards and Advent Calanders

The Parish Piety Stall at St. Teilo's has a wide range of Christmas Cards and Advent Calendars available for purchase.

#### **Local Vocals Pre-Christmas Concert**

Back by popular demand the Local Vocals community choir led by Mary Chichester who is a member of St. Teilo's parish is again performing its Christmas Concert at St. Teilo's Church Whitchurch on Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5. The Charity for the evening is the Reaching Out Project. Please Contact Mary 07795371762 for tickets. Tickets will also be available at the door.

#### **First Holy Communion 2026**

Preparation for First Holy Communion will start on Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> 2026 at St Teilo's, with children receiving the Sacrament on Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. If you live in the Parish and your child is in Year 3 or above, they are eligible to take part in the programme in 2026. To enrol your child on the programme please e-mail <a href="whitchurch@rcadc.org">whitchurch@rcadc.org</a> to request an enrolment form or you can pick one up at the back of the Church. Please return the completed form as soon as possible. There is an expectation that if your child is enrolled on the Programme that they will make their First Holy Communion at St Teilo's.

#### **Christmas Fayre outcomes**

The fund raising of the Christmas Fayre, Parish Quiz and Bingo evening raised £901 which will be donated to Mary's Meals. A huge thank you to the organisers and to all the parishioners who took part in each event. The Christmas Raffle will begin next weekend to add to this total, please be generous.

#### **Memorial Donations**

The Parish would like to express our thanks to Simon McCann's family and friends for their generous donations in memory of Simon. As a result of the memorial donations £895 was raised for parish funds and £1,940.00 for Mary's Meals.

#### **Donations to the Parish**

Donations to the parish for last weekend amounted to £665.91. The collection for Mary's Meal last weekend amounted to £1,244.58. Many thanks to all our parishioners for your ongoing generosity to the parish and the wider work of the church.

#### Safeguarding

If anyone has concerns over the welfare of any children or vulnerable adults within our community, please contact Jill Gildersleve, in confidence, on 07813 322179 or gildersleve@ntlworld.com.

#### Praying for the Sick of the Parish

Please remember those who are sick in your daily prayers: Eileen Allen, Haydn Ashcroft, Margaret Bowdery, Margaret Brown, Brian Bryant, Keith Burleton, John Costley, David Cuddihy, Maureen Dineen, Philip Daly, Sean Daughton, Barbara Day, Rafael Diaz, Violet Fonseca, Maureen Fry, Mary Goodman, Paul Gough, David Griffiths, Martin Griffiths, Rita Harris, Linda Horrocks, Hannah John, Lola Jones, Mary Joseph, Eileen Lawrence, Christina Lucas, Annette Massey, John McLaughlin, Bernie Monaghan, Robert Morgan, Gwyneth Page, Derek Phillips, Bethan Thompson, Hilary Tracey, Keith and Gwen Waddams, Madeleine Walters and Eileen Yaxley. If you would like to add someone to the list, please email <a href="mailto:whitchurch@rcadc.org">whitchurch@rcadc.org</a>.

#### **Rest in Peace**



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Andrew Neary, Jacqueline Szabados, Denis Desmond, Anna Bacco and John Evans who have all died recently. Mr. Neary's Funeral Service will take place at St. Teilo's on Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am followed by interment at Pantmawr. Mr. Desmond's funeral will take place at Thornhill at 11am on Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Szabados' funeral will take place at Thornhill on Monday,

December 8<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. Mrs. Bacco's funeral will take place at Thornhill on Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. John Evans' funeral details will be announced shortly.

Please also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Father J.H. Volan Evans, Mary Donovan, Catherine Sexton, Vincent Guidi, David Hinkin, Wilfred Robinson, David Stamp, Ivor King, Catherine Coates, Nellie O'Keefe, Giuseppe Bacigalupo, Spiro Callous, Mary Pugsley, Leonard Fox, Catherine Ryan, Gladys Norton, Bernard Coles, Andrew Coxshott, Helen Wright, Elizabeth Gaffney, George Sweetnam, Margaret O'Keefe, Barbara Toner, Eileen Powell, Christine Wiggin, Elizabeth Fleming, Albert Pattenden, Timothy Sullivan, Alan Cawley, Maureen Lee, Francis Radmilovic and Ellie Phillips.

Mass Times and Intentions: 22 <sup>nd</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2025					
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00pm	Mass – For all on the November Dead List		
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Mass – Simon McCann – RIP (A&BO'B) and for all on the November Dead List		
	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	<b>Mass</b> – Holy Souls (AM) and for all on the November Dead List		
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> November St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and his Companions – Martyrs	St. Teilo's	10.30am	Funeral Service – Andrew Neary		
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November Weekday in Ordinary Time	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – James Michael Tarverner – RIP (MLG) and for all on the November Dead List		
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> November Weekday in Ordinary Time	Our Lady of Lourdes	9.10am 9.30am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – Canon Edmund Joseph Mullins – Anniversary and for all on the November Dead List		
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> November Weekday in Ordinary Time	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – Josefa Suarez – RIP (JRS) and for all on the November Dead List		
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November Weekday in Ordinary Time	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – Intentions of Margaret Driscoll (BD-S-C)		
	St. Teilo's	10.30am -11.30am	Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament		
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> November Our Lady's Saturday	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – David & Barbara A'Herne – RIP and for all on the November Dead List		
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> November First Sunday of Advent	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00pm	Mass – Paolo Trisolini – RIP and for all on the November Dead List		
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> November First Sunday of Advent	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Mass – Mairead Sutherland – RIP (FS-P) and for all on the November Dead List		
	St. Teilo's	4.30pm	Yr Offeren yn Gymraeg - Mass in Welsh		
	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	<b>Mass</b> – For all on the November Dead List		

#### **Confessions**

Canon John will be available for Confessions in the confessional at St. Teilo's from 10.30am to 11.00am after the Saturday morning Mass. Canon will also hear confessions in the confessional at Our Lady of Lourdes before Mass on Saturday evening – 5.30pm to 5.55pm.

#### **Mass Attendance**

Mass attendance for the last weekend was as follows:

Sunday 16th November	6pm	44
	10am	143
	6pm	76