



Parish Newsletter

Weekend 3rd and 4th January 2026 Second Sunday after Christmas

Today's Mass

The Mass readings and prayers for the Second Sunday after Christmas are on page 111 of the Parish Mass Book.

Thanks from Canon John for Christmas offerings and gifts

Many thanks to all of you for the generous Christmas Offerings and the many cards and personal gifts that I received for Christmas. Thanks also to all those who attended Mass on Christmas Day. It was lovely to see so many gathering to celebrate the Saviour's birth. *Canon John*

Thanks for all the Hard Work

Many thanks also to the volunteers who did such a great deal of work to enable us to celebrate Christmas in style this year. Much of the work is done quietly while no one else is around: the Crib prepared, the brasses polished, the flowers arranged and the rest of the Church cleaned and decorated. None of these things happen by themselves. They take time and effort and I would like to thank all those, who gave of their time to do this work for the benefit of all of us who worship in the parish. Thanks too to the Altar Servers, Readers, Musicians and other Ministers of the Mass who enabled us to have a wonderful celebration of the Birth of the Lord. I would like to thank all of you who have ministered in any way, especially those whom I have forgotten to mention above.

Canon John

Crib Offerings

Archbishop Mark has decided that the Crib Offerings this year will be split evenly between supporting Aid to the Church in Need and Caritas Cardiff-Menevia.

The Epiphany of the Lord

On Tuesday we celebrate the great Solemnity of the Epiphany, a Holiday of Obligation. Masses on Tuesday will be at 10am at St. Teilo's and 6pm at Our Lady of Lourdes.

On this feast day, the Church celebrates the shining forth of Jesus to the world. The word "Epiphany" means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically, several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including His birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, His baptism by John, and His first miracle at Cana. On this day the Liturgy of the Church focuses on the visit of the Magi. As we celebrate the coming of the Magi, may we bring ourselves, our hearts, and lay them before the Lord Jesus, that He can use them as He wills. We are to be gifts of faithful service to Him.

The Mass readings and prayers for the Epiphany start on page 115 of the Parish Mass Book.

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 10.00am 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.

Knit and Natter

The Parish Knit and Natter group will meet in St. Teilo's Hall on Thursday after Mass. All are welcome to come along and join in the knitting or the nattering or both!

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?

Parish Craft Session – Next Saturday

This month's craft session takes place in the Parish Hall at St. Teilo's next Saturday, January 10th after Mass, from 10.45am - 12.30pm. The session is suitable for absolute beginners to experts. The session is free. Hope to see you there! Any enquiries please contact simplycraft@btinternet.com or speak to Erica.

SPUC White Flower Collection – Next Weekend

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual White Flower Collection next weekend. Please be as generous as you can to help the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children to defend unborn babies and their mothers. The success of the White Flower Collection is founded on the compassion and generosity of faithful churchgoers in parishes across the United Kingdom. SPUC is grateful for the unapologetic defence of unborn babies and vulnerable people that the teaching of the Catholic Church provides.

Refreshments after Mass – Next Sunday

Refreshments will be served in St. Teilo's Hall after the 10am Mass next Sunday. All are welcome. Why not come along and meet your fellow parishioners after Mass next weekend.



Clothes donations for the SVP

The Parish St. Vincent De Paul (SVP) Conference undertakes a monthly collection of clothing for the SVP Charity Shop. Clean, good quality clothing, books and toys are welcome. Donations may be left outside the confessionals at the rear of St. Teilo's next weekend, January 11th, and on the weekend of the Second Sunday of each month. Please ensure that donations are brought to the Church only on the specified Sundays, as we do not want the Church to become cluttered during the week.

Thank you from the parish SVP.

At a Loss Café

The Parish Loss and Bereavement Café will recommence on Wednesday, January 21st for six weeks. The Café is for anyone dealing with loss and you will find a cuppa and warm welcome waiting for you. Remember your loss does not have to mean bereavement. It can be any kind of loss you are feeling and perhaps with which you are struggling. The Café takes place on Wednesdays from 1.30pm to 3pm in St. Teilo's Parish Hall. Weekly attendance is not required. Come as and when you are able.

Parish Christmas Raffle

The Parish Christmas Raffle raised the fantastic amount of £465.90. The monies collected will support Mary's Meals.

Thank you to all those who donated prizes. Congratulations also to those who won prizes. A full list of winners is at the back of both Churches as are the names of a number of winners who have not yet collected their prizes.

Parish Bingo Night

A big thank you to Angela Massey for organising the pre-Christmas Bingo evening. The money raised from a very enjoyable evening was £135, which will go towards Mary's Meals.

Night Shelter at St. Mary of the Angels, Canton and St. Peter's, Roath

Many thanks for your ongoing support for the homeless at the Night Shelter at St. Mary of the Angels, Canton, the St. Peter's night shelter has also reopened recently. The team still needs a lot of boxer shorts (around 32"), plus hats, gloves, socks and jackets for the people who use the night shelters, they are also in need of jeans or trousers (also 32" waists). Please note that the young people are medium size at most. Please do not donate large clothes items. Sleeping bags and haversacks are also very welcome. The team also needs Fizzy drinks, chocolate bars, crisps, sweets and cakes. If you are able to help by donating any of these items, please drop them at the back of either Church.

First Holy Communion

Preparation for First Holy Communion will start on January 18th at St. Teilo's, with children receiving the Sacrament on Sunday, May 10th. The deadline for enrolment on the programme is this Monday.

To enrol your child on the programme please e-mail whitchurch@rcadc.org with the completed enrolment form or drop it into the presbytery. 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.

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, Paul Curtis, Philip Daly, Barbara Day, Rafael Diaz, Maureen Dineen, Violet Fonseca, Maureen Fry, John Gallagher, Mary Goodman, Paul Gough, David Griffiths, Martin Griffiths, Rita Harris, Linda Horrocks, Hannah John, Lola Jones, Mary Joseph, M'oive Kite, Eileen Lawrence, Christina Lucas, Annette Massey, John McLaughlin, Bernie Monaghan, Robert Morgan, Gwyneth Page, Derek Phillips, Fr. John 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 whitchurch@rcadc.org.

Rest in Peace



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Beryl Donovan, whose daughter Diane Beer is a regular attendee at St. Teilo's, Mary Smith, who lived in Rhiwbina and was a long-time attendee at St. Teilo's until moving to a nursing home in Christ the King Parish and Sean Daughton, brother of Rita – all of whom have died recently.

Mrs. Donovan's Funeral Mass will take place at St. Teilo's on Wednesday, January 14th at 10am, Mary Smith's Funeral Mass will take place at Christ the King Church on Monday, January 19th at 1.30pm. Mr. Daughton's funeral details will be announced when available.

Please also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: William Emmott, Florence Woodall, Richard Walsh, Albert Godwin, Olive Cotter, Shirley Crothers, Kathleen Ryan, Francis Hammond, Lilian Imperato, Graham Perryman, David Roche, Thomas Dwyer, Kathleen Bristow, Maurice Fackrell, Wilfred Davies, Patrick Dwyer, James Conroy, Walter Blakeman, Dorothy Allen, Richard 'Terry' Jones, Luke Haines, Honora Riach, Elizabeth Poole, Elsie Fullerton, Olive Griffiths, James Watchorn, Peter Mulcahy, Philomena A'Herne, Margaret Holtham, Edith Holman, Theresa Harris, Peggy (Agnes) Fuse, Percival Harpur, Ada Kinsey, Brian Whiting, David Fitzgerald, Kathleen A'Herne, Maria Damiani, William Ball, William Leukie, Kathleen Heamer, William Chidlow, Sylvia and Roisin Coombes.

Mass Times and Intentions: 3rd – 11th January 2026

Saturday 3 rd January Second Sunday after Christmas	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00pm	Mass – John Evans – RIP
Sunday 4 th January Second Sunday after Christmas	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Mass – Umberto Ferrari – Anniversary (MF)
	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	Mass – For the People of the Parish
Monday 5 th January Monday in Christmastime	No Mass today		
Tuesday 6 th January The Epiphany of the Lord – Solemnity – Holyday of Obligation	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Mass – John Evans – RIP (P&CS)
	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00pm	Mass – For the People of the Parish
Wednesday 7 th January Wednesday after Epiphany	Our Lady of Lourdes	9.40am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – Wellbeing of Tom Page (MD)
Thursday 8 th January Thursday after Epiphany	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – Patrick J Gallagher – Anniversary (JG)
Friday 9 th January Friday after Epiphany	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – Beryl & Percy Harris – RIP
	St. Teilo's	10.30am -12.00pm	Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 10 th January Saturday after Epiphany	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Mass – Jenkins/Neylon family intentions
Saturday 10 th January The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00pm	Mass – For the People of the Parish
Sunday 11 th January The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Mass – Annie Morgan (A&BO'B)
	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	Mass – Bridget Wynne-Farrell – RIP (GG)

Confessions – Canon John will be available for Confessions from 10.30am to 11am after the Saturday morning Mass. Canon will also hear confessions at Our Lady of Lourdes before Mass on Saturday evening – 5.30pm to 5.55pm.

Donations to the Parish

Donations to the parish for the last two weekends amounted to £734.77 on December 20th/21st and £654.42 on December 27th/28th. Many thanks to all our parishioners for your ongoing generosity to the parish.

Mass Attendance

The Mass attendance at each of the Masses for the last two weekends and Christmas Day was as follows:

21 st December	6pm	59
	10am	151
	6pm	82
Christmas Masses	6pm	357
	9pm	121
	8:30am	33
	10am	171
28 th December	6pm	47
	10am	118
	6pm	79