Parish of St Teilo's with Our Lady of Lourdes



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Newsletter

Weekend 21st to 22nd November
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Today's Mass
The Mass readings and prayers for the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe are on page 158 of the Parish Mass Book.

Pre-Christmas Raffle
Tickets will be on sale after all Masses from this weekend until the Fourth Sunday of Advent. The draw will be held on Wednesday, December 23rd after 10 am Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes. The tickets are £1 per strip.

All proceeds from the raffle will go towards providing waterproof sleeping bags, thermal clothing, and essential items for people experiencing homelessness, helping to bring a little comfort and warmth during the colder months.

Tuesday Evening Adoration
Each Tuesday evening, the parish has an hour of silent Adoration at St. Teilo's from 7pm to 8pm. The primary intention for the period of Adoration is vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

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 Mass on Wednesday. If you are at Mass on that day, please stay behind and spend some time socialising and sharing with your fellow parishioners.

Walk and Talk
The Walk and Talk group will meet at 2pm every Wednesday at the Scott Memorial Lighthouse Roath Park. If anybody would like to join the group, please contact Carole on 07747 562847.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
The RCIA programme continues in the Parish Hall at St. Teilo's on Wednesday evenings at 6pm. Please come along and discover more. Attendance does not commit you to completing the programme but is designed to allow you to reflect on God's call for you.

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 Thursday at 11.00am at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral, Swansea. All are encouraged to go along to pray for those deceased priests who have served us so faithfully over the years.

No Parish Mass on Thursday
Due to the Annual Mass for the deceased clergy of the Archdiocese on Thursday, there will be no Mass in the Parish that day. Those who are able to travel are invited to attend the Mass at the Co-Cathedral, alternatively you can attend online at – https://www.meneviacathedral.org/livestream-mass/

Safeguarding Café
Members of the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Team will be available in confidence at Christ the King, Llanishen, on Thursday, November 26th from 11am-1pm, for anyone with a safeguarding concern or query or wanting to know more about the team's work. For more information, email safeguarding@cardiffmenevia.org

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 26th. This will be our last meeting of the year! All are welcome to attend. Prayer intentions always welcomed.

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

Parish Physical Activity Programme
The Parish indoor physical activity group takes place this Friday in the Hall at St. Teilo's from 1.30am to 2.30pm.

Yr Offeren yn Gymraeg
Dydd Sul nesaf bydd y gymuned Gymraeg yn dathlu Offeren yn Gymraeg am 4.00pm. Next Sunday, we welcome the Welsh language community who will be celebrating Mass in Welsh at 4.00pm. Croeso!

Advent Retreat for Secondary School Pupils
The Archdiocesan Emmaus Discover team invite secondary school pupils to the Advent Retreat on December 5th, 10am-4pm, at St David's Catholic College, Cardiff, to have fun, explore their faith and grow in friendships. The day costs £10 (lunch included), with transport available from select locations; register by 30th November by emailing: youth@cardiffmenevia.org

Local Vocals Pre-Christmas Concert
Mary Chichester's Local Vocals Community Choir is again performing its Pre-Christmas Concert at St. Teilo's Church Whitchurch on Tuesday, December 8th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5.00 and are available at the door and everyone is welcome to enjoy an evening of music and community spirit.

Reaching Out Project Christmas Food Appeal
Together we can help make this Christmas special for the families the Reaching Out project supports 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, selection boxes, chocolates/sweets, tinned ham/salmon, tea/coffee, jam/marmalade, chutney/pickled onions etc.

Please place your donations at the back of each church as soon as possible. **The final date for donations is the weekend of December 12th and 13th, so that the hampers can be prepared and delivered in time for Christmas. Please do not donate any perishable items.**

Grateful Thanks
The Reaching Out project would like to offer sincere thanks to Rev. Des Kitto and the community of St. Andrew's United Reform Church, Pen-Y-Lan Road for their generous contributions to the Reaching Out Foodbank and for their forthcoming Christmas Donations.

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 £1.50 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 or online.

Christmas Bazaar Success!
A massive thank you to everyone who baked, donated, ran a stall, or came along to support our Christmas Bazaar this month. Together, we raised an incredible £690 to support the homeless! Parishioners' generosity, hard work, and festive spirit made the day a huge success.

Hand-knitted tree decorations
There are still some Hand-knitted tree decorations available to buy for 75p–£1.25. These were made by Knit and Natter and are hanging on the Christmas tree at the back of the church. All money raised by their sale will be added to the bazaar total!

Advent 444
"I bring you GOOD News of GREAT Joy for ALL People!" Luke 2.10
Jesus' birth was, and is, a season of invitation! This Advent season the churches of Whitchurch are committing to pray at 4pm for 4 minutes for 4 friends to come to know Jesus for themselves! Why not plan to take part:

1. That they would encounter the goodness & grace of God
2. That their hearts would be open to the message of Jesus.
3. That God would create opportunities for conversation and invitation.
4. That we would be open and bold in sharing the love of Jesus!

After we have prayed specifically for our four friends by name, we will then also pray for each other too, creating a daily shared moment of praying for hundreds of friends across our city!
At 4:00PM... for 4 minutes... for 4 friends...

Donations to the Parish
Donations to the parish for the last weekend amounted to £681.38. Many thanks to all our parishioners for your ongoing generosity to the parish.

You can always donate to the Parish via Mobile phone by scanning the QR code with your phone's camera and clicking on the link which appears and choosing an option.

Praying for the Sick of the Parish
Please remember those who are sick in your daily prayers: Eileen Allen, Haydn Ashcroft, Fiona Bell, Margaret Bowdery, Margaret Brown, David Cuddihy, Charlotte Daley, Philip Daly, Val and Kerry Davies, Barbara Day, Rafael Diaz, Violet Fonseca, Maureen Fry, Mary Goodman, Paul Gough, Kim Grady, David Griffiths, Kath Griffiths, Martin Griffiths, Rita Harris, Linda Horrocks, Lola Jones, Olivia Jones, Mary Joseph, Eileen Lawrence, Maureen and Ross Lethbridge, Annette Massey, Jeannette Manson, Robert Morgan, Pat Stenson, Bethan Thompson, Keith and Gwen Waddams, Madeleine Walters, Anne Willis and Eileen Yaxley. If you would like to add someone to the list, please email whitchurch@rcadc.org.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for those who have died recently, especially Anne O'Brien a long standing and active member of the Parish. Anne's funeral details will be announced once they are confirmed.

Please also pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Canon Edmund Mullins, Fr. John Kenneth Hughes, Fr. J. H. Volan Evans, Fr. Owen McGreal, Henry Withers, Maurice Fitzgerald, John Crosse, Agnes May Atkins, Richard Gardner, Mary Bridget Donovan, Catherine Mary Sexton, Vincent Paul Guidi, David Hinkin, Wilfred Charles Robinson, David Anthony Stamp, Ivor Alexander King, Luigi Carmelo Vick, Catherine Coates, Nellie Georgina O'Keefe, Giuseppe Bacigalupo, Spiro Callous, Mary Pugsley, Leonard George Fox, Catherine Ryan, Gladys Norton, Bernard Coles, Andrew Coxshott, Helen Sarah Wright, Elizabeth Gaffney, George Arthur Sweetnam, Margaret O'Keefe, Barbara Thelma Lena Toner, Eileen Powell, Christine Josephine Wiggin, Elizabeth Fleming, Albert Edward Pattenden, Timothy Sullivan, Alan Cawley, Maureen Gertrude Lee.

Mass Times and Intentions: 22nd to 29th November			
Saturday 21st November Christ the King - Solemnity	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00pm	**Mass** – For the People of the Parish and For all on the November Dead List
Sunday 22nd November Christ the King – Solemnity	St. Teilo's	10.00am	**Mass** – Judith Powell – RIP (PP) and For all on the November Dead List
	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	**Mass** – Janice Taylor – RIP (M&RT) and For all on the November Dead List
Monday 23rd November Weekday in Ordinary Time	No Mass today		
Tuesday 24th November St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and his companions, Martyrs	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	**Morning Prayer of the Church** **Mass** – Connie D'sa – RIP (CD) and For all on the November Dead List
	St. Teilo's	7.00pm – 8.00pm	**Adoration for Vocations**
Wednesday 25th Nov Weekday in Ordinary Time	Our Lady of Lourdes	9.40am 10.00am	**Morning Prayer of the Church** **Mass** – Canon Edmund Joseph Mullins – Anniversary and For all on the November Dead List
Thursday 26th November Weekday in Ordinary Time	St. Joseph's Cathedral, Swansea	11.00am	**Archdiocesan Deceased Clergy Mass**
Friday 27th November Weekday in Ordinary Time	St. Teilo's	9.40am 10.00am	**Morning Prayer of the Church** **Mass** – Josefa Suarez – RIP (JS) and For all on the November Dead List
	St. Teilo's	10.30am -11.30pm	**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**
Saturday 28th 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 28th November First Sunday of Advent	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00pm	**Mass** – For the People of the Parish and For all on the November Dead List
Sunday 29th November First Sunday of Advent	St. Teilo's	10.00am	**Mass** – Deceased Members of the Allen and Neale Family (HT) 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	**Mass** – Janice Leathes – RIP (M&RT) and 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.

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 at gildersleve@ntlworld.com .

Mass Attendance

Mass attendance for the last weekend was as follows:

15th November	6pm	43
	10am	167
	6pm	86