



# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS.

<b>Sunday September 4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Yr C.</b> <i>Wisdom 9:13-18; Psalm 89(90):3-6, 12-14, 17;</i> <i>Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33</i> <b>Psalter Week 3; Yr 2, Week 23</b>	Sat. Vigil      6.30pm Sunday            8.30am 10.30am 5pm	Sian John RIP Parish Community Michael Cura RIP <i>Vespers and Benediction</i>
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> <b>FUNERAL MASS</b>	10.30am	'Rocky' Rockminster RIP
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Vera Edwards anniv.
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Laurie Regan anniv. (BR)
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> <b>THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	7.00pm	Fr Albert Smith
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> <i>Blessed Frederic Ozanam</i>	9.30am  3.00pm	Anne Ward RIP (MR)  <i>Chaplet of Divine Mercy</i>
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> <i>Votive Memorial of Our Lady</i>	10.00am  <b>10.30-11am</b>	Fr Tom Cunnah (ET, TO`D, AL)  <b>Exposition and Confessions</b>
<b>Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup></b> <b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Yr C.</b> <i>Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14; Psalm 50(51): 3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-32</i> <b>Psalter Week 4; Yr 2, Week 24</b>	Sat. Vigil      6.30pm Sunday            8.30am 10.30am	James Hursey anniv. (TL) Christopher McNally anniv. (EM) Sian John RIP (SP)
<b>Cycle of Prayer</b> ( <i>From September to Christ the King</i> ): The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.		

**CONFESSIONS:** after Saturday morning Mass, or from 6.00pm – 6.15pm Saturday evening, and on request.

**MARIAN DEVOTION:** Decade of the Rosary after each weekday Mass.

**EXPOSITION and BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT:** following the Saturday morning Mass.

**VESPERS AND BENEDICTION:** Usually first Sunday of each month at 5pm. Check newsletter.

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Please remember in your prayers: The sick and elderly clergy and religious of the diocese; Janet Blackburn, June Blackhurst, Joan Bowden, John Fowler, Gina Grattorolla, Gwyneth Isaacs, Rose Lamprey, Barbara Little, Kath Milford, Anita Oakley, Doris Renninghoff, Audrey Robinson, Veronica Sked, Tony Taylor, John Williams, Carol Williams, and all other members of our parish who are unwell at this time.

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Sian John, 'Rocky' Rockminster.

**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME:** Anita Price, Kathleen Gilfillan, Harry Gilfillan, Isabella Stewart, Ronald Cummings, Cyril Morris, Clement Jack Milford, Terence Rowlands, Terence John Ronan, Joyce Sadler, Howard Grant, Laurie Regan, Kitty Berwick, Eileen O'Brien, Christina Thomas, Fr Michael Ryan, Fr Daniel Williams, Fr Albert Barling.

**FUNERAL:** The Funeral Mass of 'Rocky' Rockminster will take place here on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept. at 10.30am.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** September 2016 is "Awareness Month" for the SVP. The Aim is to promote the SVP as an organisation through which the Catholic laity can respond to God's call and serve others, especially in this Year of Mercy. The theme of the Awareness Month this year is "**WHO CARES?**", showing how the SVP cares for the lonely, the sick, the hungry and those in financial hardship. If you would like to know more about the SVP or become a member of our parish SVP Group, please speak to Fr Mansel or a member of the SVP, or visit <http://svp.org.uk/>

**SUNDAY OFFERING:**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Aug.: £83421<sup>st</sup> Aug.: £90228<sup>th</sup> Aug.: £749

Cake Sale: £184.

Next Sunday there will be a Second Collection at all Masses for Education Sunday, supporting Catholic School Education in the Diocese. Many thanks for your generous support.

**Our Lady's Lamp:** £5 per 7-day candle. Special envelopes in porch. This week: Anne Ward (MR)

**200 Club:** August Winners: £40: Maria Grant (28); £20: Maria Richardson (116); £10: Norman Thomas (176). Subs due NEXT Weekend. New Members Welcome.

**Rotas (11<sup>th</sup> September)****Extraordinary Ministers:**

6.30pm: M. Whitmore

8.30am: A. Bowen

10.30am: *Brynfield:* T. Lane*West Cross:* B. Hughes*Mumbles:* A. Lane**Flowers:** Joy Stafford, Mim Atherton, Jean Powell**Cleaning:** A. Richards, J. Mulcahy

**FOOD DONATIONS:** The Sisters of Charity in the Strand, Swansea, are deeply grateful for your generous donations of food for the poor and needy. Please continue to give generously.

**LECTIO DIVINA:** Tuesday Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.**RETURN TO SCHOOL:** We pray for all our children, teachers and staff in our schools, as they return to school after the summer holidays.

**CAFOD:** Many thanks to Sue Phillipart who has very generously accepted the role of CAFOD representative for the parish. There will be a **CAFOD Harvest Fast Day** on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. **Mass of Thanksgiving for the Harvest on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 10.30am**, followed by a Harvest lunch in the Hall. Tickets £5, proceeds to CAFOD.

**Vespers and Benediction:**

THIS Sunday at 5pm.

**Wednesday Coffee Morning:**

After 9.30am Mass. Delicious Coffee and Homemade cakes. Second hand books on sale in the hall.

**CANONISATION OF BLESSED TERESA OF KOLKATA:** This takes place in Rome, today, Sunday Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>. Mass of Thanksgiving on Monday Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at St Joseph's Cathedral, led by Bishop Tom. Holy Hour and Confessions 5.45pm – 6.45pm. Veneration of the relic of St Teresa of Kolkata from 8pm.

**PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO CHURCH AND HALL:** Following successful meetings with the designer and the Diocesan Land and Properties Officer details will be presented to the meeting of the Diocesan Finance, Land and Properties Committee on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. If successful, the details will be presented to a meeting of the Diocesan Trustees on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>.

**SWANSEA SICK TO LOURDES:** From Tues. 13<sup>th</sup> to Thurs. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept. I shall be assisting with the SSL Pilgrimage to Lourdes along with Fr Cenydd Marrison. If you have any special prayers, intentions and Masses you would like to have said in Lourdes you can drop them in through the letterbox at No. 22, or hand them to me. I shall pray for you all at the grotto.

**JAN DAVIES 'RACE FOR LIFE':** Many thanks to all who sponsored Jan. A total of £300 was collected.

**THANKS FOR PRAYERS AND GOOD WISHES:** Joe Blackburn wishes to thank all parishioners for their prayers and support for him during his recent sickness, and for his wife Janet. We keep them both in our prayers and their son Jonathan during this difficult time for them. Special thanks to Jackie and Maurice Rees for their care and hospitality.

**CALLING ALL FLOWER ARRANGERS:** Mumbles Festival of Arts and Music is being held in All Saints from the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup> Sept. (leaflets in the porch). As part of this Festival we have been asked to create a floral display for one of the church window sills. If you would wish to be involved in this challenging project and are free on the morning of Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. to assemble the display, please contact Joy Stafford on 01792 361029.

**NATIONAL MASS FOR ALTAR SERVERS:** Organised by the Guild of St Stephen, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2.30pm at Westminster Cathedral. We pray for all who serve in our churches that they may serve with increasing reverence and prayerfulness and thereby be led to a deepening response to their vocation in life. We pray also for an increase in servers in this parish. And we give thanks to Ffion Byrne for her many years of dedicated serving here at Our Lady Star of the Sea. Successful A Level results means Ffion will soon begin her studies at Bristol University and we wish her all the best. Ffion is also taking part in a **SPONSORED WALK** for HCPT this Sunday. Sponsor forms available in the porch.

**HOME-BAKED CAKE SALE:** (Only 2 more to go!!)

**After ALL Masses 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Oct.** Proceeds to Parish Projects (Re-covering of Hall Chairs).

*A man walks into a bar and orders a triple brandy and a double whiskey chaser. "You know I shouldn't be drinking like this with what I've got," says the man. "Why? What have you got?" asks the barman. "Fifty pence," replies the man.*

**Q:** *What's the best way to get in touch with long lost relatives?* **A:** *Win the lottery*

WELCOME TO VISITORS: PLEASE JOIN US FOR TEA/COFFEE AND A FRIENDLY CHAT AFTER SUNDAY MASSES

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