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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS.

Sunday March 5th 1st Sunday of Lent Yr A <i>Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7;</i> <i>Psalms 50(51):3-6, 12-14, 17;</i> <i>Romans 4:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11</i> Psalter Week 1; Yr 1,	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 8.30am 10.30am	Terry Sullivan (MW) Parish Community Deceased Members of Wednesday Club (Wednesday Club) <i>Vespers and Benediction NEXT Sunday</i>
Monday 6 th <i>Weekday, 1st Week of Lent</i>	9.30am	Luigi Cascarini (MR)
Tuesday 7 th <i>Weekday, 1st Week of Lent</i>	9.30am	George Plunkett RIP (TO`D)
Wednesday 8 th <i>Weekday, 1st Week of Lent</i>	9.30am	Brian Hawkes (D&BD)
Thursday 9 th <i>Weekday, 1st Week of Lent</i>	7.00pm	John Williams RIP (MM)
Friday 10 th <i>Weekday, 1st Week of Lent</i> <i>CAFOD Fast Day</i>	9.30am 3.00pm 7.00pm	John Hunt RIP (AL) <i>Chaplet of Divine Mercy</i> <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
Saturday 11 th <i>Weekday, 1st Week of Lent</i>	10.00am 10.30 - 11.00am	George Plunkett RIP (SVP) <i>Exposition and Confessions</i>
Sunday March 12th 2nd Sunday of Lent Yr A <i>Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 32(33):4-5, 18-20, 22;</i> <i>2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9</i> Psalter Week 2; Yr 1,	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 8.30am 10.30am 5.00pm	Parish Community Margaret Quick (KB) Angie Gowler RIP (PW) <i>Vespers and Benediction</i>
Cycle of Prayer: (During Lent): Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.		

CONFESSIONS: after Saturday morning Mass, and 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 5.00pm. Check newsletter.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Please remember in your prayers: The sick and elderly clergy and religious of the diocese; Cath Baker, Janet Blackburn, June Blackhurst, Joan Bowden, Agnes Clement, John Fowler, Gina Grattorolla, Gwyneth Isaacs, Kitty Jewell, Rose Lamprey, Barbara Little, Anne Martin, Kath and Colin Milford, Roy Miller, Anita Oakley, Doris Renninghoff, Lilian Richards, Audrey Robinson, Veronica Sked, Phyllis Spencer, Tony Taylor, and all members of our parish who are unwell at this time, and all those who care for them.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: John Williams, Stan Hughes, Basil Freeman, John Hunt.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME: Barry Statham, Luigi Cascarini, John M^cNeff, Peter Lloyd, Edward M^cNeff, George Ronan, Kath Williams, Bishop James Hannigan, Mgr Michael O`Shaughnessy, Fr John Moran, Fr Brendan M^cNamee, Fr Joseph Geraghty, Fr Evan Hope.

FUNERAL: Of your charity please pray for the soul of John Hunt, who has died. His mortal remains will be brought into the church on Thursday 16th March at 6.30pm, prior to his Funeral Mass here on Friday 17th March at 10am, followed by cremation at Morriston Crematorium at 12noon.

<p>SUNDAY OFFERING:</p> <p>Last Sunday: £856.</p> <p>Many thanks for your generous support.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ROTAS (12th March)</p> <p>Extraordinary Ministers: 6.30pm: Margaret Whitmore 8.30am: Tess O`Donoghue 10.30am: <i>Brynfield</i>: Tony Lane <i>West Cross</i>: Ann Lane <i>Mumbles</i>: Diane Davies</p> <p>Cleaning: Norma Evans, Maggie Morris, Bill James</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">OUR LADY`S LAMP:</p> <p>£5 per 7-day candle. Envelopes in porch. This week: Private Intention (ET)</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">200 CLUB:</p> <p>February Winners: £40: Mrs Garry (217) £20: Mrs Clee (55) £10: Mrs Howard (103) Subs due: NEXT weekend. New Members Welcome.</p>
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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

LENTEN REFLECTION: *“Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ’s victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God “with all their hearts” (Joel 2:12), to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord. Jesus is the faithful friend who never abandons us. Even when we sin, he patiently awaits our return; by that patient expectation, he shows us his readiness to forgive. Lent is a favourable season for deepening our spiritual life through the means of sanctification offered us by the Church: fasting, prayer and almsgiving. At the basis of everything is the word of God, which during this season we are invited to hear and ponder more deeply. (Pope Francis Message for Lent 2017).*

CONFIRMATION CLASS: meets on Saturday 11th March at 4.45pm in the Hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS: meets on Monday 13th March at 4.00pm in the Hall.

LECTIO DIVINA: Tuesday 7th March at 7pm.

SVP: Next meeting Wednesday 8th March at **1pm**.

“WALK WITH ME”: Copies of this useful devotional guide to prayer during Lent are available in the porch.

CAFOD FAST DAY: Friday 10th March. Special envelopes for your donations available in the porch which can be placed in the basket in the porch after each Mass that weekend. At all Masses **THIS WEEKEND** a representative of CAFOD will give a short talk about this year’s Lenten Appeal. On Sunday 12th March, after the 10.30am Mass, there will be a **CAFOD “Soup and Roll Lunch”**. Donation £2.50. All welcome.

LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION AT BELMONT ABBEY: Tuesday 14th March. Bus leaves West Cross Shops at 8.30am Cost £10, plus suggested £10 donation to the Abbey. Sign-up sheet in porch.

LENTEN FILM FOR DISCUSSION: Monday 27th March at 7pm in the Hall : **“The Gospel of Us”**, starring Michael Sheen.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE AND HOLY HOUR: Thursday April 6th here at 6.30pm with visiting priests available for individual confessions. Mass will follow at 7.30pm.

CLYDACH SVP PASSION PLAY: Friday 7th April at 7.30pm at All Saints Church, Oystermouth. Tickets £5 available soon.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT: Fridays 7pm: March 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, April 14th (Good Friday).

TRAIDCRAFT FORTNIGHT: February 27th – March 12th. Coffee Morning on Wednesday 8th will be in aid of TRAIIDCRAFT, with TRAIIDCRAFT goodies available for purchase. New stock available. Easter Eggs/Catalogues due in soon.

“MEN’S FELLOWSHIP”: First meeting Monday March 20th at 7pm in the Hall. Solemnity of St Joseph, Husband of Mary.

CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players: Continues on **Monday** 13th March, 7pm, **G.K. Chesterton**. Final part on Tuesday 21st March, 7pm, **Michelangelo**.

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Day of Recollection to be held at Holy Cross Church, Gendros, on Saturday 18th March from 10.30am – 3.00pm. **Attendance is strongly encouraged.**

MESSAGE FROM Mgr BRIAN: “Re. Basil. Many thanks for all the kind words and cards. Mgr Brian”.

AWAY ON RETREAT: I shall be away on Retreat from this Sunday afternoon until the afternoon of Friday 10th March. If a priest is needed in the case of an emergency only, please contact Mgr Brian Kinrade on 366305. For Singleton Hospital please call Fr Carlito Reyes on 202447.

*Teacher: “If I gave you 2 cats and another 2 cats and another 2, how many would you have?” Johnny: “Seven.”
 Teacher: “No, listen carefully... If I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?” Johnny: “Seven.” Teacher: “Let me put it to you differently. If I gave you two apples, and another two apples and another two, how many would you have?” Johnny: “Six.” Teacher: “Good. Now if I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?” Johnny: “Seven!” Teacher: “Johnny, where in the world do you get seven from?!” Johnny: “Because I’ve already got a cat at home!!”*