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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS.

Sunday 29th April 5th SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Acts 9:26-31;</i> <i>Psalms 21(22): 26-28, 30-32;</i> <i>1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8</i> Psalter Week 1	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 8.30am 10.30am 3pm	Parish Community Sandra Holley RIP anniv. (KH) Clive Solomon RIP (B&AW) <i>Rosary Around The Coast</i>
Monday 30 th <i>5th Week of Eastertide</i>	9.30am	Bartolo Family RIP (ADF)
Tuesday 1 st May <i>St Joseph the Worker</i>	9.30am	M Davies RIP (ADF)
Wednesday 2 nd <i>St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>	9.30am	N. Harris RIP (ADF)
Thursday 3 rd <i>STS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES (FEAST)</i>	7.00pm	Geno & Mima DiMarco RIP anniv. (S&TM)
Friday 4 th <i>5th Week of Eastertide</i>	9.30am 3pm-4pm	Golden Wedding Anniversary (M&JG) <i>Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Rosary, Adoration</i>
Saturday 5 th <i>St Asaph</i>	10.00am 10.30 - 11.00am	Lisa Covelli RIP (C&GM ^c N) <i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
Sunday 6th May 6th SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE <i>Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48;</i> <i>Psalms 97(98):1-4; 1 John 4:7-10;</i> <i>John 15:9-17</i> Psalter Week 2	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 8.30am 10.30am <i>Crowning of Mary</i> 5pm	Elena Fallone (LM) Parish Community Ann & Seamus Croarkin (MK) <i>Vespers and Benediction</i>
Cycle of Prayer: (During Eastertide): <i>New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; The Church; Human Work.</i>		

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: following the Saturday morning Mass with simple Benediction; and every Friday 3pm – 4pm with Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Rosary.

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

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

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: the elderly clergy and religious of the diocese; Janet Blackburn, June Blackhurst, Joan Bowden, Joe Bracchi, Mary Brearley, Claire Clancy, John Fowler, Gwyneth Isaacs, Kitty Jewell, Rose Lamprey, Barbara Little, Anne Martin, Kath Milford, Roy Miller, Anita Oakley, Doris Renninghoff, Millie Richards, Audrey Robinson, Tony Taylor, 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 RECENTLY: Gina Grattarola, Phyllis Spencer, Joyce Keane.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME: Edward M^cNeff, Bernard Morris, Huw Williams, Anne Kirkpatrick, Len Burdett, May Jenkins, Sandra Holley, Graham Kinsey, Sarah M^cGrath, George Reynolds, Shafiq Anwar Bhatti, Sr Maria Grazia, Fr David Crowley

<p>SUNDAY OFFERING: Last Sunday: £862.13</p> <p>Priests Training Fund: £1165.</p> <p>Many thanks for your generous support.</p>	<p>ROTAS (6th May) Extraordinary Ministers: 6.30pm: Wendy Graham 8.30am: Anne Bowen 10.30am: <i>Campion:</i> Eileen Waters <i>West Cross:</i> Diane Davies <i>Mumbles:</i> Joy Stafford Flowers: Ann Lane, Diane Davies, Sandra Morgan Cleaning: Fran Falvey, Mary McGinty, Jan Davies</p>	<p>OUR LADY'S LAMP: £5 per 7-day candle. This Week: Graham Cook</p> <p>200 CLUB: April Winners: £40: C. McNeff (48) £20: S. Collier (134) £10: M. Byrne (143) Subs due 12th / 13th May.</p>
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FOOD DONATIONS: The Sisters of Charity in the Strand, Swansea, are deeply grateful for your generous donations of all non-perishable food items for the poor and needy. Please continue to give generously.

A PRAYER FOR OUR DIOCESE

Almighty and eternal God, give us the grace and strength to carry out the work entrusted to us in the Diocese of Menevia. Bless our families and our parishes. You call men and women from our families to serve you as priests, deacons and in the religious life. May we read the signs of these vocations in others and help them to follow you. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: Meet next Saturday 5th May at **1pm** in the hall.

ROSARY AROUND THE COAST: This Sunday 29th April at 3pm. Meet at Our Lady Star of the Sea in church from 2.30pm.

ST ELISABETH CONVENT: a Russian Orthodox community in Minsk, Belarus, which helps people who were homeless, drug or alcohol addicts, ex-prisoners and the less able. Some of the people now work in workshops with the Sisters of the Convent to produce beautiful articles with love and prayer. These are available to purchase here this weekend to provide support for their challenging yet rewarding work.

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE: Meet Mon. 30th April 7pm

LECTIO DIVINA: Tuesday 1st May, 7pm.

PARISH FILM NIGHT: Friday 4th May, 7pm. "A Shine of Rainbows" starring Aiden Quinn and Connie Nielsen. All Welcome.

BISHOP VAUGHAN SCHOOL: Celtic Evening of Dance and Song. Friday 4th May. Doors open at 7pm, dancing commences at 7.30pm. **Put your dancing shoes on and join in our night of celebrating all things Celtic.** Tickets £7 each or £30 for table of 6. Money raised goes to support the Performing Arts Department and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme to provide pupils with extra-curricular activities. Bishop Vaughan Catholic School, Mynydd Garnllwyd Road, Morrison.

SURVIVE-MIVA APPEAL: At all Masses **NEXT** weekend we welcome Theresa Codd who will be making an appeal on behalf of SURVIVE-MIVA. This Liverpool based charity provides various forms of transport to help ensure the success of the Church's healthcare and pastoral work with remote communities in impoverished parts of the world.

CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY: Monday 7th May at 7.15pm. New members welcome.

ASCENSION THURSDAY: A reminder that the Solemnity of The Ascension of The Lord in England and Wales has been returned to the Thursday 40 Days after the Resurrection. It is a Holy Day of Obligation and Mass will be celebrated here at 7pm on Wednesday 9th May (Vigil) and 9.30am Thursday 10th May, with Vespers and Benediction celebrated at 6pm.

MAY PROCESSION: Belmont Abbey on Wednesday 16th May at 9pm. Coach leaves West Cross Shops at 5.30pm Cost £15. Sign up sheet on notice board in porch.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: May 20th The 10.30am Mass will be an International Themed Mass, reflecting the Gift of the Holy Spirit given to all nations and all peoples. If you would like to read one of the *Prayers of Intercession* in a language other than English please let Fr Mansel know. There will be a "bring-a-plate" International lunch to follow the Mass in the Hall.

Sally was driving home from one of her business trips in Northern Arizona when she saw an Elderly Native American Woman walking on the side of the road. As the trip was a long and quiet one, she stopped the car and asked the woman if she would like a ride. With a silent nod of thanks, the woman got into the car. Resuming the journey, Sally tried in vain to make a bit of small talk with the woman. The old woman just sat silently, looking intently at everything she saw, studying every little detail, until she noticed a brown bag on the seat next to Sally. 'What in bag?' asked the old woman. Sally looked down at the brown bag and said, 'It's a bottle of wine. I got it for my husband.' The woman was silent for another moment or two. Then, speaking with the quiet wisdom of an elder, she said, 'Mmm. Good trade.'

And the Lord said unto John 'Come forth, and receive eternal life.' But John came fifth, and won a toaster.

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