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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS.

Sunday 6th January THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY) <i>Isaiah 60:1-6;</i> <i>Psalm 71(72):1-2, 7-8, 10-13;</i> <i>Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6; Mt. 2:1-12</i> Psalter Week 2	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 8.30am 10.30am 5pm	Beryl Brennan (CB) Brian Davies RIP (MPH) Parish Community <i>Vespers and Benediction</i>
Monday 7 th <i>St Raymond of Penafort, Priest</i>	9.30am	Delia Hughes RIP anniv. (MR)
Tuesday 8 th <i>Tuesday after the Epiphany</i>	9.30am	Barbara Mainwaring RIP (SVP)
Wednesday 9 th <i>Wednesday after the Epiphany</i>	9.30am 2pm	Anna Lloyd (TG) COFFEE MORNING RESUMES TODAY <i>Mass at St David's School</i>
Thursday 10 th <i>Thursday after the Epiphany</i>	7.00pm	Intentions of Sr Jerome (SVP)
Friday 11 th <i>Friday after the Epiphany</i>	9.30am 3pm-4pm	Intentions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus (GC) <i>Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Rosary, Adoration</i>
Saturday 12 th <i>Saturday after the Epiphany</i>	10.00am 10.30 - 11.00am	Valerie Usher <i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
Sunday 13th January THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (FEAST) <i>Isaiah 42:1-7; Psalm 28(29):1-10;</i> <i>Acts 10:34-38; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22</i> Psalter Week 3	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 8.30am 10.30am 5pm	Vivian Dyer RIP (TO`D) Parish Community Bernie Wilkes RIP (A&BW) <i>Vespers and Benediction</i> <i>The end of Christmastide</i>
Cycle of Prayer: (During Advent and Christmastide): <i>Openness to the Word of God; for Migrants and Refugees; and for Expectant Mothers.</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: Throughout Christmastide and usually every 1st Sunday. Please 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, Joe Bracchi, Mary Brearley, Claire Clancy, Pat Davies, John Fowler, Bill Gill, John Grant, Gwyneth Isaacs, Kitty Jewell, Rose Lamprey, Barbara Little, Anne Martin, 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:

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME: Florence Taylor, Mary Whooley, Mary O`Mahoney, Delia Hughes, Jack McLoughlin, Angela Davies, Thomas Cummings, Johanna O`Donoghue, Terence O`Brien, Nesta Morris, Ken Falvey, Terrence Sullivan, John Weaver, Muriel Morris, Gwyneth Thomas, Wendy John, Fr John Quinn, Fr Leopold Cunningham

<p>SUNDAY OFFERING:</p> <p>Last Sunday £877.20</p> <p>Swansea Night Shelter from <i>OneCardForAll</i>: £276.50</p> <p>Many thanks for your generous support.</p>	<p>ROTAS (13th January 2019)</p> <p>Extraordinary Ministers:</p> <p>6.30pm: Anne Bowen</p> <p>8.30am: Tess O`Donoghue</p> <p>10.30am: <i>Campion</i>: Maggie Morris</p> <p><i>West Cross</i>: Tony Morgan</p> <p><i>Mumbles</i>: Eileen Waters</p> <p>Flowers: Joan Morgan Andrea Lehane, Tess O`Donoghue</p> <p>Cleaning: Stephanie Jefferies, Wendy Graham</p>	<p>OUR LADY`S LAMP:</p> <p>£5 per 7-day candle.</p> <p>This Week: Ida Pereira</p> <hr/> <p>200 CLUB:</p> <p>December Winners:</p> <p>£80: C. Clancy (78)</p> <p>£40: G. Clee (38)</p> <p>£20: R. Power (30)</p> <p>Subs due NEXT weekend</p> <p>January Draw after 8.30am</p> <p>Mass 27th January.</p> <p>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 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.

SUMMARY OF PASTORAL MESSAGE FROM BISHOP TOM: *"Last Sunday I shared with you an unexpected development that had occurred since issuing my original Pastoral Message to you two Sundays before that. As a result of our conversation, Father Michael OP, whom a number of you have met already at Days of Recollection, is willing to become Parish Priest of Mumbles, and will reside in the presbytery. Mumbles will not be twinned with any other parish, and all times of Masses and other Services will continue as they are at the moment, without any reductions. Father Clement OP will assume the role of RC Chaplain to Singleton Hospital. This generous offer I commended to you last Sunday. Though not achieving your main objective of retaining Father Mansel in Mumbles, I believe the consensus of last Sunday's meeting was your points have been heard and acted upon as much as possible. You will be receiving a most able priest who will continue Father Mansel's highly appreciated pastoral approach and activities among you. I have also taken careful note of your points about consultation and communication, which were well made and understood. In conclusion, the appointment of Father Michael Akpoghiran OP as your new Parish Priest will take place from Friday 08 February 2019. Please give him a warm welcome that weekend."*

+**Thomas Matthew** Bishop of Menevia 04 January 2019

JUNIOR FILM CLUB: Friday 11th January from 5.30pm. Film "HUGO"; plus Pizza and Table Tennis.

Yrs 2-8. £3.50. Please bring your own bean bags and cushions.

CATHOLIC MENS SOCIETY: Monday 7th January at 7.15pm. Guest speaker: Syd Wilkins on "The Mumbles Lifeboat".

LECTIO DIVINA: Meet Tuesday 8th January, 7pm. **SVP:** Next meeting is on Wednesday 9th January at 7pm. All welcome.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK: begins on Friday 18th January. There will be an Ecumenical Service in All Saint's Church, Oystermouth on Sunday 20th January at 3pm. All Welcome.

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL 2019: The annual White Flower Appeal is a major source of income for the **Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC)**. At all Masses **NEXT** weekend there will be an opportunity to contribute to this appeal by placing a donation in a special basket as you leave.

WELCOME: During the month of January we welcome Robert Davies, one of our Seminarians at Oscott College, who will be on Pastoral Placement, gaining valuable experience of Parish Life in our Diocese. Robert will be arriving on January 4th.

Sincere thanks for all your kind cards and gifts this Christmas.

Wishing you all a very Happy and Peaceful New Year.

Fr Mansel, and Mgr Brian.

MOVING ON: It is with much sadness that I shall be leaving the Parish of Mumbles in February 2019 to take up my new role as Parish Priest of Tenby and Saundersfoot. Thank you for all your kind support and generosity during the past five years. I have very much enjoyed being here with you. If I have caused offence to anyone, I am truly sorry, and I ask and pray that you will forgive me. God bless you all. *Fr Mansel*

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

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