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SOME MASSES LISTED BELOW ARE LIVESTREAMED

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| **Date & Liturgical Celebration** | **Time** | **Mass Intention** |
| **Sunday 4th July**  **14th Sunday of Ordinary Time** | Sat. Vigil 6.30pm  8.30am  10.30am  11.45am | Vladimir Ratkovsky, RIP (K D)  Peter Stewart, RIP Anniv. (The Stewart Family)  For intention of Joe Blackburn (M M)  Poor Sisters of Nazareth, Zimbabwe (D & H C)  O/L Lamp: Caroline Solomon |
| Monday 5th  **No Mass in Mumbles Parish**  **Mass in Townhill Parish** | **10.00am**  **Mass in Townhill**  **[Livestreamed]** |  |
| Tuesday 6th  *Weekday in Ordinary Time* | 9.30am  [Livestreamed] | Fr Mansel, Ordination Anniversary (E T) |
| Wednesday 7th  *Weekday in Ordinary Time* | 9.30am  [Livestreamed] | Parish Community |
| Thursday 8th  *Weekday in Ordinary Time* | 9.30am  (Livestreamed) | Magdalina Mannix, RIP (M & A O’C) |
| Friday 9th  **Funeral Mass** | **11.15am**  (Livestreamed) | **Funeral Mass: Barrie Matthews, RIP** |
| Saturday 10th  *Votive Memorial of Our Lady* | 10.00am  (Livestreamed) | For deceased Ursuline nuns |
| **Sunday 11th July**  **15th Sunday of Ordinary Time** | Sat. Vigil 6.30pm  8.30am  10.30am  11.45am | June Blackhurst RIP (SVP)  For the Intention of Joe Blackburn (E T)  Margaret June Blackhurst RIP (S H)  Intention of Caroline Solomon |

**CONFESSIONS:**  Saturday morning after 10am Mass, Saturday evening 6pm-6.15pm, and on request.

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**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Paul Kieft, Katie Percy, Maureen Dooley.

**PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE:** Monday 5th July 2021 at 7pm on Zoom. Text: Matthew 18. **Zoom Meeting ID: 89520213920**

**TOWNHILL LIVESTREAMS:** Townhill Parish Masses are typically livestreamed 11am on Sunday and 10am on Monday. To access the livestream link, please use the Mumbles Parish website the usual way, or search for Our Lady of Lourdes Townhill on YouTube.

**ANNOUNCEMENT FROM ARCHBISHOP GEORGE STACK OF CARDIFF:** The Archbishop said: “I have been informed by the Apostolic Nuncio that the Holy Father has accepted my resignation from the pastoral governance of the Archdiocese of Cardiff having reached the canonical age for retirement. Pope Francis has added the formula “Nunc pro Tunc” in his decision. The simple translation of these words is “now for then”. In other words, a decision has been made which will be implemented some time in the future. In practice, this means I shall continue my service as bishop of the diocese until the Holy Father appoints a successor. There is no fixed term or date for this canonical arrangement. I am sure you will join with me in prayer to the Holy Spirit as Pope Francis makes provision for the diocese in naming the 8th Archbishop of Cardiff.” + George Stack

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**: There will be a collection for The Apostleship of the Sea – “Sea Sunday’ next weekend

**PARISH LADIES’ GUILD LUNCH:** A reminder for those who have already booked. Lunch is at **The Mermaid** (Outside Terrace) on Wednesday 7th July at 12.30pm.

**LAST MONTH’S PLANT SALE:** Amount raised from the two plant sales was £570. Proceeds will be shared as follows: £300 to Our Parish Projects and £270 to Maggie’s cancer Support, Singleton Hospital. Ann thanks everyone for their support and donations.

**INFORMAL COURSE ON FAITH AND DISCIPLESHIP:** We will be offering a parish-based informal course on the Christian faith in the Catholic tradition and its relevance for life today. Participants will meet other people, watch inspiring videos, share ideas, explore Catholic beliefs, and think about questions that really matter. **Planned to start later this summer, we will meet once a week, Thursday, 7.30pm-8.30pm**. The sessions will cover a range of issues, including happiness, the purpose of life, God, religion and faith. This course will be suitable for anyone who is interested in exploring the Catholic faith, non-practising Catholics who are considering returning to active practice, and Catholics who want to deepen their faith. **If you or someone you know would like to join, please get in touch with Father Michael.**

**WEDDING SERVICE:** Kate Mary Rees and Christopher Trevor Dunbavand, on Saturday 17th July 2021 in our Parish Church.

**WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS:** Isabelle Gilfedder, Bernard Gregory, Bill Gill, Claire Clancy, Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Michael Guerin, Theresa Plunkett, Eira Hooper, Janet Ohwo, John Grant, Kath Bowling, Doris Renninghoff, Pat Davies, Frances Traylor, Rosemary Ronan, Mary Brearley, Audrey Robinson, Maria Davies, Angela and Barrie Matthews, Millie Richards, Janet Blackburn, Eleanor Scowcroft, Joe Blackburn, Yvonne Richards, Maria Watkins.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**: Please pray for the repose of the souls of June Blackhurst and Barrie Matthews.

**FUNERAL OF BARRIE MATTHEWS:** Funeral Mass on Friday 9th July at 11.15am in our Parish Church.

**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME:** Diane Hall, George Aldridge, Yakub Bhatti, Michael Begley, Canon Jim Morrissey, Vivian John Hopkins, Mary Marron, Maura Jones, Iorwerth Lewis, Fr Robert O’Brien, Peter O’Bree, David Mainwaring.

**Face Covering at Mass:** In keeping with Welsh Government guidance, face coverings must be worn at Mass by adults and children aged 11 and over. The face covering may be removed in order to receive Holy Communion. By wearing a face covering you will be helping to protect others.

**How to Pre-book Sunday Mass Attendance:** To book a place at Sunday Masses, please contact **Madeline Ahearne** on phone or email (**01792 361194**; [**madelineolss@aol.com**](mailto:madelineolss@aol.com)) or send an email to the Parish email address [**mumbles@menevia.org**](mailto:mumbles@menevia.org)**.** Please provide your name, the number attending Mass, and contact phone number when you book. This record will be held for 14 days solely for track and trace (COVID-19).

**Livestreamed Masses:** Masses are livestreamed from our Parish (weekday Masses and Sunday 10.30am Mass). For a link to livestreamed Masses please go to our Parish website [**www.ourladystaroftheseamumbles.org.uk**](http://www.ourladystaroftheseamumbles.com)and click "Livestream" on the menu bar. You can also find us on ***YouTube*** by searching for ***Our Lady Star of the Sea Mumbles***

**Our Catholic Primary School:**Our local Catholic Primary school is **St David's** on West Cross Avenue, a welcoming and happy school is **St David's** on West Cross Avenue, a welcoming and happy school, where children are cared for and nurtured to develop educationally, spiritually and emotionally. The contact details for St David's are at the top of this Newsletter - do get in touch to secure a place for your child. Email: **6703303\_stdavidscatholicprimaryschool@hwbcymru.net**

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**YOU, THE DOMINICANS SERVING OUR PARISHES, AND THE DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY IN NIGERIA**

The Dominican University in Nigeria is the first university of the Order of Preachers on the African continent. Popularly called the Dominican Order, the Order of Preachers was founded by Saint Dominic de Guzman in 1216 with the approval of Pope Innocent III. In its more than 800 years of existence, the Order has been actively involved in university education around the world. The Dominican University in Ibadan, Nigeria, was established in 2016, the 800th anniversary of the foundation of the Order.

**Educating brilliant but financially disadvantaged young people**

Records show that in the year 2020, over 1.9 million students applied for an admission into tertiary institutions in Nigeria; just about a third of which was granted an admission. The key reason for the low admission rate is that the government-owned institutions are oversubscribed while the private ones are too expensive for most of the applicants. Unfortunately, this situation has deprived many brilliant and talented young Nigerians the opportunity of acquiring quality tertiary education. As a religious Order with an intellectual tradition, the Dominicans in Nigeria have responded to the need to provide affordable quality university education for qualified but financially disadvantaged students by establishing the Dominican University in Nigeria.

The Dominican University is largely staffed by qualified Dominican priests, who, unlike other staff of the university, are not paid a salary as they prepare bright minds for the country and the world. These Dominican priests are trained to the master’s and doctoral levels in different disciplines, including philosophy, theology, computer science, mathematics, communication, and management. Growing numbers are currently being trained in Nigeria and overseas. Fr Gabriel Avbenake OP and Fr Victor Ogundipe OP who were with us in Townhill and Mumbles parishes respectively are two such priests. **We expect two more priests to arrive in Swansea for postgraduate studies this autumn.** This is a massive human resource contribution which the Dominican will continue to make for the future of the young people who study at the Dominican University. The Dominican University does not receive funding from any government or the Catholic Church, or any local or overseas organization. All financial contributions come from the work of the Dominicans in Nigeria and from generous donors.

**The Dominican priests and service to our parishes**

All the Dominican priests who are sent from Nigeria to Wales for postgraduate studies continue to serve our parishes during their time here. We are grateful for their time and committed service. By supporting their academic training and the work they do, you will be giving brighter opportunities to many disadvantaged young people. Your support will make a huge difference. Thank you!