

Our Lady Star Of The Sea Catholic Church

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SOME MASSES LISTED BELOW ARE LIVESTREAMED

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
Sunday 5th September 23rd Sunday of the Year	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm 8.30am 10.30am 11.45am	For the Holy Souls Parish Community For the Intention of Joe Blackburn Gina & Bill O'Brien, RIP (M & J G)
Monday 6 th	10.00am Mass in Townhill	
Tuesday 7 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Laurie Regan, RIP (B R)
Wednesday 8 th The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast)	9.30am [Livestreamed]	Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart (G C)
Thursday 9 th <i>Blessed Frederic Ozanam</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Veronica Mary Kinsey, RIP (A & B W)
Friday 10 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart (G C)
Saturday 11 th <i>St Deiniol, Bishop</i>	10.00am (Livestreamed)	Jimmy McCann, RIP
Sunday 12th September 24th Sunday of the Year	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm 8.30am 10.30am 11.45am	Maureen Davies, 100 th Birthday Anniv. (M D) Maureen Davies, 100 th Birthday Anniv. (E T) Michael Policelli, RIP (L P) Sylvia Derriman, RIP

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

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Maureen Diddams.

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.

100TH BIRTHDAY: In thanksgiving to the Lord, we rejoice with **Maureen Davies** who will be 100 years of age on 12th September.

STELLA MARIS CARE HOME, JOB VACANCIES: Stella Maris is a small Care Home currently registered with the CIW and set in beautiful accommodation in Swansea. The Care Home provides care to residents including Religious Sisters of the Ursulines of Jesus, who own the Care Home. Stella Maris Care Home is seeking both experienced permanent day care staff and bank staff. Rate of pay: £8.92 per hour, permanent staff; £10.00 per hour bank staff (includes allowance for annual leave). If you are interested, please contact Hilary Calder, Deputy Manager, on 01792 473453 for an initial discussion and further information. Alternatively, please email: deputymanager@stellamariscarehome.org.uk

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a collection next Sunday for Education Sunday.

MISSIO: Missio Red Boxes are now due to be counted. Please bring them to church or ring or email Jackie Rees to arrange collection on 601058 or jacandmo@ntlworld.com Thank you.

INFORMAL COURSE ON FAITH AND DISCIPLESHIP: STARTING 9TH SEPTEMBER: 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, starting Thursday, 9th September, 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 (mumbles@menevia.org).

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

FUNERAL MASS FOR VERONICA MARY KINSEY: Please for the repose of the soul of Veronica Mary Kinsey (sister of Anne White) who passed away on Thursday 26th August. Funeral Mass in our parish church on Friday 17th September at 10am. May the Lord grant her eternal rest and give comfort to the family. Amen.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME: Kathleen Gilfillan, Harry Gilfillan, Isabella Stewart, John Rhys, Ronald Cummings, Cyril Morris, Clement Jack Milford, Terence Rowlands, Terence John Ronan, Joyce Sadler, Howard Grant, Laurie Regan, Kitty Berwick, Stanley Clarke, Eileen O'Brien, Christina Thomas, Fr Albert Barling, Stephan Bernard Fryzer, Jim Taylor, Emily Oxnard.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £872 (includes standing orders) Sick & Retired Priests: £10 Thank you for your generosity.

THANKS TO FATHER VICTOR

Special thanks to Father Victor for returning to spend his holiday with us in the parish. We are ever grateful to him for his committed service to our parish and for his many smiles. We pray for him and wish him the best as he returns (on Monday 6th September) to his busy schedule at the Dominican University in Nigeria.

Supporting the Student Priest who Serves Us (Tuition Fee Donations)

Our Target	Amount Raised
£5,000	£5,425

Thanks for all the donations. Your generosity is very much appreciated

From the teachings of Saint Thomas Aquinas

That the Truths which we confess concerning God fall under two Modes or Categories

The truths that we confess concerning God fall under two modes. Some things true of God are beyond all the competence of human reason, as that God is Three and One [Trinity]. Other things there are to which even human reason can attain, as the existence and unity of God, which philosophers have proved to a demonstration under the guidance of the light of natural reason. That there are points of absolute intelligibility in God altogether beyond the compass of human reason, most manifestly appears. For since the leading principle of all knowledge of any given subject-matter is an understanding of the thing's innermost being, or substance -- according to the doctrine of the Philosopher [Aristotle], that the essence is the principle of demonstration -- it follows that the mode of our knowledge of the substance must be the mode of knowledge of whatever we know about the substance. Hence if the human understanding comprehends the substance of anything, as of a stone or triangle, none of the points of intelligibility about that thing will exceed the capacity of human reason. But this is not our case with regard to God. The human understanding cannot go so far of its natural power as to grasp His substance, since under the conditions of the present life the knowledge of our understanding commences with sense; and therefore objects beyond sense cannot be grasped by human understanding except so far as knowledge is gathered of them through the senses. But things of sense cannot lead our understanding to read in them the essence of the Divine Substance, inasmuch as they are effects inadequate to the power that caused them. Nevertheless our understanding is thereby led to some knowledge of God, namely, of His existence and of other attributes that must necessarily be attributed to the First Cause. There are, therefore, some points of intelligibility in God, accessible to human reason, and other points that altogether transcend the power of human reason.

- Thomas Aquinas, *Summa Contra Gentiles*, Book I, chapter 3

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**) or send an email to the Parish email address **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 (COVID track and trace).

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** 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** or phone on 01792 512212 or follow us on Twitter: **@stdavidscps**.