

Our Lady Star Of The Sea Catholic Church

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 'Love God, Love Learning, Love Life'

SOME MASSES LISTED BELOW ARE LIVESTREAMED

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
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
Monday 13 th	10.00am Mass in Townhill	
Tuesday 14 th The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Dr Eddie Jones, RIP (G & B C)
Wednesday 15 th <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	9.30am [Livestreamed]	Tessie Lathom, RIP (N E)
Thursday 16 th <i>Sts Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Dr Edwin Jones, RIP (F Falvey & Family)
Friday 17 th Funeral Mass	10.00am	Funeral Mass: Veronica Mary Kinsey, RIP
Saturday 18 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	10.00am (Livestreamed)	Ted Harte, RIP Anniversary (E T)
Sunday 19th September 25th Sunday of the Year	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm 8.30am 10.30am 11.45am	Holy Souls Parish Community Norman Evans, RIP Anniversary (A & M B) Mabel Thomas, RIP (C S)

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

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Maureen Davies, Delyth Johnson, Beryl Rees, Angela Matthews.

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 COLLECTIONS: There will be a collection this weekend for Education Sunday and next weekend for Home Mission Sunday.

INFORMAL COURSE ON FAITH AND DISCIPLESHIP:

Last Thursday (09/09): Film 1 and Discussion on THE SEARCH FOR HAPPINESS

[The impossibility of sitting still. What is happiness? How to press the pause button.]

Next Thursday (16/09): Film 2 and Discussion on THE EXISTENCE OF GOD

[Why bother thinking about religion? Five reasons not to believe in God. Arguments for the existence of God?]

Using the **Sycamore** contents, this informal course explores 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. We meet once a week, on Thursdays in the Parish Hall, 7.30pm-8.30pm. If you or someone you know would like to join, please get in touch with Father Michael (mumbles@menevia.org).

DOMSEC: THE HAPPY LIFE: ST THOMAS AQUINAS ON HAPPINESS AND VIRTUE. A series of online talks by Fr Michael Akpoghiran, OP on Tuesdays, 6.30pm - 8.30pm beginning on Tuesday September 21st. Please visit www.domsec.org.uk

MUMBLES ROAD CLOSURES: The annual **Admiral Swansea Bay 10K Race and Fun Run** will take place on Sunday 19th September 2021. We have been advised that there will be road closures affecting Mumbles Road from 9.30am until 1.30pm. For further information, please visit www.enjoyswanseabay.com/residents

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: Emily Oxnard, Ronald Price, Eddie Zanetti, Mary Clare Frawley, Edward Hayes, Mrs Mullaney, Walter Dyer, Margaret Briggs, Patricia Webb, Sr Jane Frances, Maureen Power, Stewart Levitt, Fr Oswald Lofthouse, Walter Mouls, Kath Davies, Edward Harte, James Hayes, Fr William Cubley, Joan Ryan, M. Bernadine Kelleher.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £1067 (includes standing orders) Thank you for your generosity.

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

Our Target	Amount Raised (09/09/21)
£5,000	£5,525

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

From the teachings of Saint Thomas Aquinas

That the truth about divine things which is attainable by reason is fittingly proposed to man as an object of belief

While, then, the truth of the intelligible things of God is twofold — one to which the inquiry of reason can attain, the other which surpasses the whole range of human reason — both are fittingly proposed by God to man as an object of belief. We must first show this with regard to that truth which is attainable by the inquiry of reason, lest it appear to some that, since it can be attained by reason, it is useless to make it an object of faith by supernatural inspiration. Now, there would be three unsuitable consequences if this truth were left solely to the inquiry of reason.

One is that few people would have knowledge of God. For very many are hindered from gathering the fruit of diligent inquiry, which is the discovery of truth, for three reasons. Some, indeed, on account of an indisposition of temperament, from which many are naturally indisposed to knowledge, so that no efforts of theirs would enable them to reach to the attainment of the highest degree of human knowledge, which consists in knowing God. Some are hindered by the needs of household affairs. For there must be among people some that devote themselves to the conduct of temporal affairs, who would be unable to devote so much time to the leisure of contemplative research as to reach the summit of human inquiry, namely, the knowledge of God. And some are hindered by laziness. For in order to acquire the knowledge of God in those things which reason is able to investigate, one must have a previous knowledge of many things. For almost the entire consideration of philosophy is directed to the knowledge of God, on account of which metaphysics, which is about divine things, is the last of the parts of philosophy to be studied. Thus, it is not possible to arrive at the inquiry about the aforesaid truth except after a most laborious study, and few are willing to take upon themselves this labour out of the love of knowledge, even though God has instilled natural desire for it in the minds of humans.

The second inconvenience... [To be continued next weekend]

- Thomas Aquinas, *Summa Contra Gentiles*, Book I, chapter 4

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](https://twitter.com/stdavidscps).