

## Our Lady Star Of The Sea Catholic Church

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SOME MASSES LISTED BELOW ARE LIVESTREAMED

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October</b> <b>29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm 8.30am 10.30am 11.45am	John Akpoghiran, RIP Parish Community Michael Policelli, RIP (L P) Sylvia Derriman, RIP
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10.00am</b> <b>Mass in Townhill</b>	
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart (G C)
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	For the Holy Souls
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Peter Mason, RIP Anniversary (D & D M)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> <i>St John Paul II, Pope</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Walter Rainbird, RIP (E T)
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> <i>Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday</i>	10.00am (Livestreamed)	For the Holy Souls
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October</b> <b>30<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm 8.30am 10.30am 11.45am	William & Ruth Mulcahy, RIP (J M) Jim Faulkner, RIP (J & A Mc) Parish Community Sylvia Derriman, RIP

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

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Kath Bowling, Katherine Oshisanya, Michael O'Connell, Allesandra Cianci, Linda Biagoni.

**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.

**MONTH OF THE ROSARY:** October is traditionally a month of devotion to Our Lady. Please join us in saying a decade of the Rosary every day in October at 9.25am (before Mass).

### **INFORMAL COURSE ON FAITH AND DISCIPLESHIP:**

#### **Next Thursday (21/10): Film 7: The Gift of Faith**

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, 7.00pm-8.00pm. If you or someone you know would like to join, please get in touch with Father Michael ([mumbles@menevia.org](mailto:mumbles@menevia.org)).

**BISHOP TOM: GOLDEN PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARY:** Bishop Thomas Burns wishes to extend an invitation to parishioners in the Diocese to attend the Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate his 50th anniversary of Priesthood on 16 December at 11:30. Eight invitations have been allocated to our Parish. If you would like to attend, please contact Fr Michael. Thank you.

**FATHER MATTHEW ACHUNINE, OP:** We welcome Father Matthew to Swansea. We look forward to seeing him after his quarantine.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (24TH OCTOBER):** The Holy Father's message for World Mission Day 2021: "We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20). There will be a second collection next weekend for World Mission Sunday.

**NOVEMBER – PRAYING FOR HOLY SOULS:** November is the month traditionally dedicated to praying for the Holy Souls. If you would like your deceased relatives, friends and loved ones remembered in a special way at each Mass during November, please put their details in one of the brown envelopes. They can be put through the letterbox in the Presbytery. If any of our housebound parishioners needs any help with collection, please contact Maggie on 362212. The envelopes will be placed in front of the altar at each Mass in November. Anniversary Mass intentions will be shared with the list.

**BEREAVEMENT SERVICE (WITH LIGHTING OF CANDLES)**: Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at 11am in our Parish church. This service is open to all (especially those who have lost a loved one during the year). If you would like a candle lit for a departed loved one or if you would like to attend, please contact Eileen on 07592829091 or [admin@domsec.org.uk](mailto:admin@domsec.org.uk). The service will be livestreamed. To join the livestream please go to our Parish website.

**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, 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, Peter McPherson, Eleanor Scowcroft.

**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME**: Raymond Morris, Bruce Webb, Aluna Andrewes, Fr Albin Kaltenbach, Fr James Howard, Katherina Lyons, Lavinia Yarnton, Joe Lyons, Fr James Donnelly, Peter Anderson.

**RECENTLY DECEASED**: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maureen Craddock. Funeral details will be announced later.

**SUNDAY OFFERING**: £884 (includes standing orders). CAFOD:£30. Thanks for your generosity.

## From the teachings of Saint Thomas Aquinas

Selection 7: 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021

### Whether a sacrament is a kind of a sign?

All things that are ordained to one, even in different ways, can be denominated from it: thus, from health which is in an animal, not only is the animal said to be healthy through being the subject of health: but medicine also is said to be healthy through producing health; diet through preserving it; and urine, through being a sign of health. Consequently, a thing may be called a "sacrament," either from having a certain hidden sanctity, and in this sense a sacrament is a "sacred secret"; or from having some relationship to this sanctity, which relationship may be that of a cause, or of a sign or of any other relation. But now we are speaking of sacraments in a special sense, as implying the habitude of sign: and in this way a sacrament is a kind of sign.

### Whether every sign of a holy thing is a sacrament?

Signs are given to men, to whom it is proper to discover the unknown by means of the known. Consequently a sacrament properly so called is that which is the sign of some sacred thing pertaining to man; so that properly speaking a sacrament, as considered by us now, is defined as being the "sign of a holy thing so far as it makes men holy."

### Whether a sacrament is a sign of one thing only?

As stated above (Article 2) a sacrament properly speaking is that which is ordained to signify our sanctification. In which three things may be considered; viz. the very cause of our sanctification, which is Christ's passion; the form of our sanctification, which is grace and the virtues; and the ultimate end of our sanctification, which is eternal life. And all these are signified by the sacraments. Consequently a sacrament is a sign that is both a reminder of the past, i.e. the passion of Christ; and an indication of that which is effected in us by Christ's passion, i.e. grace; and a prognostic, that is, a foretelling of future glory.

- Thomas Aquinas, *Summa Theologiae*, III, q. 60, aa.1-3.

**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](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 (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](http://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 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.

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