

## 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 27<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)</b>	Sat. Vigil 6.30pm 8.30am 10.30am 11.45am	David Jordan, RIP Anniversary (F J) Private Intention of Joe & Liam Battershell (H B) Chris & John Richards, RIP Anniversary (A R) Parish Community O/L Lamp: Michael Wheatney, RIP
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10.00am</b> <b>Mass in Townhill</b>	
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> <i>Weekday 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Peggy Jones, RIP Anniversary (J J)
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> <i>Weekday 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	OLSS Parishioners (T & A L)
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> <i>Weekday 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</i>	7.00pm (Livestreamed)	Eileen Davies, RIP (V E)
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April <i>Weekday 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Eileen Davies, RIP (K B)
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Weekday 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent</i>	10.00am (Livestreamed)	Eileen Davies, RIP (J M)
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b> <b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	6.30pm 8.30am 10.30am 11.45am	John Lynch (Snr) & John Lynch (Jnr) RIP Anniversary (M & A B) Eileen Davies, RIP (P H) Parish Community Mabel & Daniel Thomas, RIP (C S) O/L Lamp: For Samantha

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

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Ethan Jones, Paul Richards, Rachel Evans, Noreen Hyden, Kirsten Kieft, Stephanie Jefferies.

**TEA/COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASSES:** Tea/Coffee in the Hall after Mass (8.30am and 10.30am) will resume on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

**2-BEDROOM ACCOMMODATION NEEDED:** A young family recently joined our parish and **urgently** needs to rent 2-bedroom accommodation in our parish area. If you can help in any way, please contact Fr Matthew.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** During Lent, Stations of the Cross at 6.30pm every Thursday.

**AWAY NOTICE:** Fr Michael is now away for holiday until 8<sup>th</sup> April. Many thanks for all your prayers.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Date is Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June. St David's School will prepare pupils who attend the school. Parents should please contact the Headteacher or Father Michael. Thank you.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** Date is Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April. Classes have begun for youngsters aged 13 and above. Please contact Sandra Morgan (281319) for more information. Thank you.

**CAFOD LENT APPEAL:** Thank you all for your generous support for the CAFOD Lent Appeal. Your gifts will ensure that CAFOD's local experts, like Sr Anthonia in Sierra Leone, can support families with training in growing and making healthy food so that children grow big and strong. CAFOD is part of the Disasters Emergency Committee and if you would still like to donate to Ukraine go to [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk) and follow the link to the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal. Thank you for your support and prayers

**WHITE FLOWER APPEAL 2022:** Second Collection this weekend for SPUC which is currently campaigning to protect Pro-Life speech and witness. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

**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, Kath Bowling, Doris Renninghoff, Frances Traylor,

Rosemary Ronan, Mary Brearley, Audrey Robinson, Maria Davies, Angela Matthews, Millie Richards, Janet Blackburn, Eleanor Scowcroft, Yvonne Richards, Maria Watkins, Peter McPherson, Heather Ellis, Bernard Gregory.

**WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME:** Vera Anderson, Fr William Finucane, Archbishop John Aloysius Ward, Fr Sean Clancy, Nancy Watt, Harry D.Wood, John O'Donnell, Nancy Lewis, Basil Bayliss, Michael O'Farrell, Edward Fleming, Audrey Thomas, Brian Morris, Gwyn & Sally Jones, Dorothea Hunt, Doreen Pickering, Betty Whyte, Seymour Hay, Br. Paul Rosario, Gerald Graham, Christopher Gouvignon.

**SUNDAY OFFERING:** £874 (includes standing orders). CAFOD: £30. Thanks for your generosity.

**POPE'S INTENTION FOR MARCH:** In March, we pray with Pope Francis for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

**THE CYCLE OF PRAYER:** During Lent we are invited to pray for these intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments (especially on the Sundays of Lent); Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

<b>HOLY WEEK, SACRED TRIDUUM &amp; EASTER</b>		
MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK: 11 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL <b>Confessions</b>	6.30pm – 7.30pm	<i>Confessions by outside (visiting) priests</i>
MAUNDY THURSDAY: 14 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL <b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>	7.00pm	<i>Also livestreamed</i>
GOOD FRIDAY: 15 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL <b>Service and Walk of Witness</b> <b>Stations of the Cross</b> <b>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</b>	10.30am 2.15pm 3.00pm	<i>Also livestreamed</i> <i>Also livestreamed</i>
HOLY SATURDAY: 16 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL <b>The Easter Vigil</b>	8.00pm	<i>Also livestreamed</i>
EASTER SUNDAY MASSES: 17 <sup>TH</sup> APRIL	8.30am 10.30am 11.45am	<i>Also livestreamed</i>

### St Thomas Aquinas on the Miracles of Christ

#### Whether Christ should have worked miracles?

God enables man to work miracles for two reasons. First and principally, in confirmation of the doctrine that a man teaches. For since those things which are of faith surpass human reason, they cannot be proved by human arguments, but need to be proved by the argument of Divine power: so that when a man does works that God alone can do, we may believe that what he says is from God: just as when a man is the bearer of letters sealed with the king's ring, it is to be believed that what they contain expresses the king's will.

Secondly, in order to make known God's presence in a man by the grace of the Holy Ghost: so that when a man does the works of God we may believe that God dwells in him by His grace. Wherefore it is written (Galatians 3:5): "He who giveth to you the Spirit, and worketh miracles among you."

Now both these things were to be made known to men concerning Christ—namely, that God dwelt in Him by grace, not of adoption, but of union: and that His supernatural doctrine was from God. And therefore it was most fitting that He should work miracles. Wherefore He Himself says (John 10:38): "Though you will not believe Me, believe the works"; and (John 5:36): "The works which the Father hath given Me to perfect . . . themselves . . . give testimony to Me."

**Taken from: St Thomas Aquinas, *Summa Theologiae*, III, q.43. a.1.**

**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.

**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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