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SOME MASSES LISTED BELOW ARE LIVESTREAMED

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
Sunday 11th December 3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Anne Park, RIP (J H) George Bowen, RIP Anniv. (A B) Parish Community O/L Lamp: Jackie Rees
Monday 12 th	10.00am	Mass in Townhill
Tuesday 13 th <i>St Lucy, Virgin & Martyr</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	Brian Thomas, RIP Anniversary (E T)
Wednesday 14 th <i>St John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed) 10.00am	Morgan Battey, RIP Anniversary (A L) Coffee Morning
Thursday 15 th <i>3rd Week of Advent</i>	7.00pm (Livestreamed)	Madeline Ahearne, Birthday Thanksgiving (M M)
Friday 16 th <i>3rd Week of Advent</i>	9.30am (Livestreamed)	John Pritchard, RIP Birthday Anniv, (P S)
Saturday 17 th <i>3rd Week of Advent</i>	10.00am (Livestreamed)	Vergie Cresil, RIP (A L)
Sunday 18th December 4th Sunday of Advent	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Edna & Frank Kent, RIP Birthday Anniv. (J & A) Parish Community Kath Bowling, 90 th Birthday (J S) O/L Lamp: Maurice Rees

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

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION: Saturday morning after 10am Mass (Confessions also available)

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Jean Powell, Caroline Solomon, Yvonne Richards, Kevin Holly.

ST DAVID'S SCHOOL JUNIOR CONCERT: St David's Primary School will share their Junior Concert with parishioners at 10.15am at Our Lady Star of the Sea on Monday, December 19th 2022. There will be a Monday morning Mass at 9.30am on the day. All are welcome.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Now meeting on Zoom. Please join our next meeting on Tuesday, December 13th at 7pm. **Zoom meeting ID: 585 166 8513.** All are welcome.

PARISH LADIES' GUILD: Next meeting: Christmas Party on Wednesday, December 21st, in the Parish Hall at 2pm.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: Monday, December 19th at 7pm on Zoom. Text: Matthew: 21. **Zoom Meeting ID: 585 166 8513.**

HOUR OF GRACE: 6pm - 7pm every other Wednesday. Led by Fr Matthew Achunine OP, this is a solemn moment of prayerful encounter with Jesus in the Exposition and Adoration of the Holy Eucharist. It will include an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Silent Adoration, Talk, Worship Songs, Intercessions for Various Intentions, and Benediction. **Next on Wednesday, December 21st.**

CATHOLIC FAITH ROUNDTABLE: The next meeting is on Thursday, December 15th, from 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the Parish Hall. **Theme: Are the Sacraments Biblical?**

SYNODAL JOURNEY: The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has now considered the reports submitted by the Dioceses of England and Wales and produced a National Synthesis bringing the views of all twenty-two dioceses into a single document. Each parish is now asked to read and reflect on this working document entitled "Enlarge the Space of your Tent" and to respond through the Diocese. To facilitate this process, there will be a meeting in the parish hall on **Wednesday, December 14th** at 5.30pm, when we will consider chapter 3 part 1. Fr Michael has circulated the relevant documents; should anyone need a paper copy or further information, please get in touch with Fr Michael, Sarah O'Kane (01792 234682) or Madeline Ahearne (01792 361194). All are welcome.

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS: Help those in real need this Christmas. Pick up a World Gift Catalogue in the Porch or go to cafod.org.uk/worldgifts Gifts start from £4.00. Thanks for your support.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK: A retiring collection for the Sick and Retired Clergy of the Diocese will be taken this weekend.

CRIB COLLECTIONS: This year, the Christmas Crib Collections in the Diocese will support the Christians in the Holy Land.

CALENDARS FOR CHARITY: Please consider purchasing the Adrian Hughes Calendar this year. Each month features a print of one of Adrian's paintings of local scenes. Proceeds will support local charities TY Hafan, Stepping Stones, and Hands Up for Down's. Available in the Porch @ £7 each. Please put monies in the Piety Slot. Thank you.

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Isabelle Gilfedder, Claire Clancy, Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Michael Guerin, Theresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Doris Renninghoff, Frances Traylor, Mary Brearley, Audrey Robinson, Maria Davies, Angela Matthews, Millie Richards, Janet Blackburn, Yvonne Richards, Peter McPherson, Heather Ellis, Bill Gill, Jim Sander, Jimmy Taylor, Tristan Carroll, Janice Jones, Gerald Power, Maurice Rees, Win Hayes, Jeanette Taylor, Jean Symonds, Joy Stafford.

FUNERAL OF EILEEN JONES: Monday, December 12th, 2pm, at Morrison Crematorium. May the Lord grant her eternal reward.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME: Fr John Tole, Peter Hughes, Jeanette Howells, Brian Thomas, Rena Catherine Hatton, Mary Gardener, Joyce Lloyd, Dianne O'Hanlon, Margaret Crozier, Ita Kurek, Fr Michael Finlan, Peter Creamer, Gerald Clement, Allan John Pritchard, Mary Daniels, Fr Charles Roberts, Lilian Brimacombe.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER: That volunteer non-profit organisations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek new paths to international cooperation.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £859. Christmas flowers; £269.40
Thanks for your generosity

EVANGELISATION (DOMSEC) DONATIONS:
Thanks to all who donate to support the work of evangelisation.

From the Parish Events Planning Team
UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS
(December 2022)

Sunday 11 Dec After 10.30am Mass	CHRISTMAS RAFFLE	
Tuesday 13 Dec 7.00 for 7.30pm	PARISH CHRISTMAS DINNER 2 courses £25, 3 courses £28	Norton House Hotel £5 deposit required now.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) AT CHRISTMAS

DATE	TIME	PRIEST(S)
Tuesday, December 20 th	6.30pm – 7.00pm	Fr Stephen & Fr Richard
Wednesday, December 21 st	6.30pm – 7.00pm	Fr Matthew & Fr Clement
Thursday, December 22 nd	6.30pm – 6.45pm	Fr Michael

CHRISTMAS LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

DATE	TIME	CELEBRATION
Saturday, December 24 th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass
Saturday, December 24 th	8.45pm	Christmas Carols
Saturday, December 24 th	9.00pm	Mass (Livestreamed)
Christmas Day, December 25 th	8.30am	Mass of Christmas Day
Christmas Day, December 25 th	10.30am	Mass of Christmas Day (Livestreamed)

Diocese of Menevia School of Evangelisation and Catechetics (DOMSEC)

DOMSEC PRAYER MEETING: This prayer meeting is a regular intercessory event of DOMSEC with the goal of praying for a fresh fire of the gospel, true conversion, and fruitful evangelization in the Diocese of Menevia and the land of Wales. Fr Matthew Achunine, OP, will lead it. All are welcome to join this regular prayer meeting. We will meet every other Tuesday, alternating between physical (in-person) and Zoom meetings.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th December, 5pm - 6pm, on Zoom. Meeting ID: 585 166 8513.

In-Person Meeting (Last Tuesday of the Month): 12 noon - 1.00pm, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Townhill.

Zoom Meeting (Second Tuesday of the Month): 5.00pm-6.00pm. Zoom Meeting ID: 585 166 8513