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THE SUNDAY 10.30AM MASS AND ALL WEEKDAY MASSES ARE USUALLY LIVESTREAMED

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
Sunday 19th February 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Abigail Rockefeller, RIP Anniv (C R) Bernard Stirrup, RIP (T & G F) Karol Hogan, RIP (K S O'C) O/L Lamp: Royston Miller
Monday 20 th	10.00am	Mass in Townhill
Tuesday 21 st <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am	Gerry McNeff, RIP Anniversary (P K & N H)
Wednesday 22 nd Ash Wednesday Masses at 9.30am & 7.00pm	9.30am 10.00am 7.00pm	Morning Mass: Lydie Guyomard, RIP (C F-H) Coffee Morning Evening Mass
Thursday 23 rd <i>Thursday after Ash Wednesday</i>	11.00am 6.30pm 7.00pm	Funeral Mass: Maria Davies, RIP Stations of the Cross Anne-Louise Cummings, RIP (M A)
Friday 24 th <i>Friday after Ash Wednesday</i>	9.30am	Parish Community
Saturday 25 th <i>Saturday after Ash Wednesday</i>	10.00am	Brian Thomas, RIP Wedding Anniversary (E T)
Sunday 26th February 1st Sunday of Lent	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Eileen Davies, RIP Anniversary (A L) Parish Community Shelley Lomas, RIP Anniv (J C)

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: Peter Smith, Maurice Rees.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES: 22nd February is Ash Wednesday. Masses at 9.30am & 7.00pm.

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

MEDIAEVAL GOWER: As some say, we are fortunate to live in Gower. The Gower Peninsula inspires and captivates. It is a geological paradise. Back in 1956, it was designated as the UK's first Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. You will be excited to know a lot more about Gower. Now is the opportunity! Professor Dan Power will speak to us about **MEDIAEVAL GOWER** on Monday, 27th February, at 7.30pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea. Dan is our parishioner; he lives in Gower; he knows Gower very well. All are welcome!

SVP: Do you know anyone who would like a visit or even a phone call from the SVP? Can you think of any Parishioners no longer able to get to Mass, who feel forgotten? If so, please let Eileen Waters or Sarah O'Kane know. Thank you for your help.

CAFOD: There will be a Family Fast Day Appeal at all Masses the weekend of 25/26 February. This Lent we are supporting families particularly affected by the climate crisis with the skills and tools they need. There will also be a Bread and Cheese lunch on Sunday 26th after the 10.30 Mass to raise funds for the Syria/Turkey Earthquake disaster. Thank you for your support and your prayers.

PARISH LADIES' GUILD: Next meeting will be on Wednesday 1st March in the Parish Hall, when we will celebrate St David's Day.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: On Friday March 3rd at 2pm All Saints Church, Mumbles. This year Taiwan is preparing the service, on the theme 'I have heard about Faith'. All are welcome.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Now meeting every other week on Zoom. Please join our next meeting on Tuesday 28th February at 7pm. Zoom meeting ID: 585 166 8513. All are welcome.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: Monday 20th February. Text: Matthew 22. 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, 1st March.**

PRAYER INTENTION ENVELOPE (HOUR OF GRACE): If you would like us to pray for an intention during the Hour of Grace (Eucharistic Adoration), please collect a brown prayer intention envelope in the porch. It is NOT a Mass intention envelope. Thank you.

CATHOLIC FAITH ROUNDTABLE: The next meeting is on Thursday 23rd February, from 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the Parish Hall. **Theme: What the Bible says about the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

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, Frances Traylor, Mary Brearley, Audrey Robinson, 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, Jeanette Taylor, Joy Stafford, Wendy Graham.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME: Fr Gerald Holdcroft, Geraldina Cascarini, Fr Thomas Roche, Fr Joseph Becker, Joe Bracchi, Maria Richardson, Roger Lloyd, Janet Clarke, Dr Lawrence Brimacombe, Fr Aidan Puntin, Alexander Evans, Maggie Jane O'Donnell, Harry Ward, Margaret Buffee, Geraldine (Gerry) McNeff, Mary Crockett, Rossor Rees, Desire Hurst, Chris Seymour.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY: That parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Lent, we are invited to pray for: Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

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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 28th February, 12noon - 1pm, at Townhill Parish Church.

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**

From the Parish Events Planning Team UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS (February - April 2023)

Monday 27 February 7.30pm	MEDIAEVAL GOWER	Talk by Professor Dan Power
Friday 31 March 7pm	PARISH FILM NIGHT/FISH & CHIPS	Details later.
Tuesday 18 April 7pm	PARISH MUSIC QUIZ	Details later.



GRACE FROM THE ROSARY

The Rosary of the Virgin Mary, which gradually took form in the second millennium under the guidance of the Spirit of God, is a prayer loved by countless Saints and encouraged by the Magisterium. Simple yet profound, it still remains, at the dawn of this third millennium, a prayer of great significance, destined to bring forth a harvest of holiness.

Pope Saint John Paul II, *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, 1