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

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
Sunday 29th October 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Godfrey Aghogho Akpobasa, RIP, Anniversary (Fr Jude) / Holy Souls Intention of the donor
Monday 30th	10.00am	Mass in Townhill
Tuesday 31st <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am	Rhiannon Williams, RIP (M A)
Wednesday 1st November All Saints (Solemnity) Holy Day of Obligation	9.30am 10.00am 7.00pm	Daniel J Thomas, RIP Anniversary (C S) / Holy Souls Coffee Morning Susan Morgan, RIP (M F)
Thursday 2nd <i>The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed</i>	9.30am 7.00pm	For all the Faithful Departed Mary Mooney, RIP (B & D D)
Friday 3rd <i>St Martin of Porres, Religious</i>	9.30am	Vergie Cresci, RIP Anniversary (A L) / Holy Souls
Saturday 4th <i>St Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i>	10.00am	Rhiannon Williams, RIP (SVP) / Holy Souls
Sunday 5th November 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Barry Jefferies & Edgar Owen, RIP (S J) Peter & Lisa Covelli, Birthday Anniversary (C 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: Kazia Obara, Luigi Derriman, Emma Garry, Madeline Aheame, Leo Maxwell-Carr.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Classes will begin soon. To register, please get in touch with Fr Michael or Fr Jude.

REMINDER: The clocks go back this weekend.

ALL SAINTS, 1ST NOVEMBER (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION): Masses at 9.30am and 7pm.

ALL SOULS, 2ND NOVEMBER: Masses at 9.30am and 7pm.

PARISH YOUNGSTERS' GAMES:

Table Tennis Competition: 12 - 16 years. First Prize £20 voucher.

Chess Competition: 12 - 16 years. First Prize £20 voucher.

Scrabble Competition: 12 - 16 years. First Prize £20 voucher. To register, please get in touch with the priests.

OCTOBER DEVOTION (DOMSEC / TOWNHILL PARISH): Join us to celebrate the end of October Devotion to Our Lady on Sunday, 29th October. 10.15 Holy Rosary / Confession; 11.00 Holy Mass; 12.30 Party in the Parish Hall. Please bring a plate to share.

FOOD FOR THE HOMELESS: Thank you for the generous and ongoing donations of non-perishable food made by the parishioners of Our Lady Star of the Sea to the homeless shelter we support. Our help is greatly appreciated. As the weather cools and Winter approaches, this becomes increasingly important. If you are in a position to do so, please donate whatever you can comfortably manage to those who have very little. Thank you.

NOVEMBER - PRAYING FOR HOLY SOULS: November is traditionally dedicated to praying for the Holy Souls. If you would like your deceased relatives, friends and loved ones remembered at each Mass during November, please put their details in one of the brown envelopes and deliver it to Maggie, the priests or put it through the letterbox in the Presbytery. 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 CANDLE): Saturday, 11th November, 11am, Our Lady Star of the Sea. The 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 would like to attend, please contact Eileen Waters at 07692629001 or Fr Michael at mumbles@monovia.org. The service will be livestreamed.

PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: We ask all our parishioners, families and friends to support our Parish Christmas Raffle. This year, we are supporting both the SVP and Maggie's charities. We would be grateful for donation of prizes, and we encourage you to buy and sell as many tickets as you can. Please sign up in the porch to donate a prize. Thank you.

PARISH LADIES' GUILD: Next meeting is on Wednesday 1st November at 2pm in the Parish Hall. Brian Davies will take us on an A-Z tour of Gower.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Now meeting every other week in the Church Hall, so no longer on Zoom. Please join our next meeting on Tuesday 7th November. All are welcome.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: Monday 30th October, 7pm. Text: John chapter 1. Zoom Meeting ID: 585 168 8513.

HOOR OF GRACE: 6pm - 7pm every other Wednesday. Led by a Dominican priest, 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 22nd November.**

PRAYER INTENTION ENVELOPE (HOOR 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 ROUND TABLE: Explore Catholic teachings from a biblical background. The next meeting is on **Thursday 23rd November**, 7.30 to 8.30pm in the Parish Hall. Meeting moved to 23rd November due to funeral. The theme will be announced.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR SICK & RETIRED CLERGY FUND: 4th/5th November.
Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Diocese's Sick & Retired Clergy Fund. The fund makes a vital contribution to providing our priests with a secure and dignified retirement. Over the last four years the average cost of providing this care has been some £160,000 per year. Making a donation is one way in which we can simply say 'thank you' for the service these priests have given to Christ, the Church and our parish communities. Please support them to the best of your abilities.

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Isabelle Giffedder, Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Theresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Frances T aylor, Mary Brearley, Angela Matthews, Millie Richards, Jane Blackburn, Yvonne Richards, Peter McPherson, Heather Ellis, Bill Gill, Jimmy Taylor, Janice Jones, Wendy Graham, Maureen Williams

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of the following parishioners who passed away recently: **Sue Morgar** (Tuesday 17th October), **Maurice Rees** (Wednesday 25th October). May the Lord grant them eternal rest and rewards. Amen.

FUNERAL OF SUE MORGAN: Funeral Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea on Friday 10th November at 11am. Body will be received into church on Thursday 9th November at 4pm.

FUNERAL OF HELEN CLARKE: Funeral Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea on Tuesday 14th November at 10am.

FUNERAL OF MAURICE REES: Funeral Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea on Thursday 16th November at 10am. Body will be received into church on Wednesday 15th November at 4pm.

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Ordinary Time (Autumn) we are asked to pray for: The Spread of the Gospel; Students & Teachers; The Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER for: We pray the Holy Father, as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £987. Home Mission Sunday: £258.05. CAFOD Family Fast Day £62.
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
(November – December 2023)**

Friday 17 November 7pm	PARISH FILM NIGHT	Title will be announced later.
Friday 8 December 7pm – 8pm	CHRISTMAS CAROLS (WITH AFRICAN RENDITION)	Light refreshments in the Parish Hall after the Carols.
Saturday 9 December 1.00pm	PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH (Venue: Norton House Hotel)	£25 per person (£5 deposit). Please sign up in the porch.
Sunday 10 December After 10.30am Mass	CHRISTMAS RAFFLE	Raffle draws will take place in the Parish Hall.