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

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
Sunday 2nd June 2024 The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Solemnity)	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Iris Brown, RIP Birthday (J B) / Peter & Pauline Stewart, RIP (M & S S) Claire & Ray Clancy, RIP (K B) O/L Star of the Sea Lamp: Claire Jones
Monday 3 rd <i>St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs</i>	9.30am	Joe Harte, RIP Anniversary (E T)
Tuesday 4 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am	Vincent McCarry, RIP Anniversary
Wednesday 5 th <i>St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr</i>	9.30am 10.00am	Eleanor Francis, RIP (A F) Coffee Morning
Thursday 6 th The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity)	7.00pm (Vigil)	John Cuthbert, RIP (T L & Family)
Friday 7 th The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity)	9.30am	Catrin & Will, Wedding Thanksgiving (M & A B)
Saturday 8 th <i>The Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	10.00am	Lucille Bernier, RIP (C F- H)
Sunday 9th June 2024 10th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Annie Stott, RIP Anniversary (S & F Family) / Millie Richards, RIP (SVP) Dot & John Hunt, RIP (K B)

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: Fran Traylor, Katarina Dutko, Neil Thomas.

HALF MARATHON ROAD CLOSURES: Road closures this Sunday (8.30am – 12.30pm) may affect Mass attendance.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: We welcome Archbishop Mark O'Toole to our parish to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Wednesday, 26th June, at 6.30pm**. We invite all parishioners to the celebration. It will be a joyous occasion to celebrate with our youngsters and their family, and to welcome Archbishop Mark.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE: Sunday, 24th November 2024: Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

PARISH HIGH TEA: To Remember and Celebrate our departed loved ones. Sponsored by the SVP, the event will be on Sunday, 9th June at 4pm in the parish hall. If you would like to attend, please add your name to the list in Porch by 2nd June – so we may cater for everyone. For more information or to share photographs to be displayed on the day, please contact Rose on 078131 57296 / rosiecottle26@gmail.com

AWAY NOTICE: Fr Michael will be away from 29th May until 4th June. Thank you.

PARISH LADIES' GUILD: Next meeting on Wednesday 5th June: 2pm at the Wild Flower Café, followed by afternoon tea at 3pm.

CHURCH CLEANING: Help needed – if you can spare two hours every two to three months to help clean the church, please contact Liz Lyons on 07743 160792. Thank you.

SVP: The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 12th June** at 7.15pm. All welcome.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: We are there for anyone who needs support following a bereavement – whether it's recently or some time ago. It may be the need for someone to talk to, someone to listen, someone to pray with – or maybe just company for a coffee and chat. Please call 07813157296. We are waiting for your call.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Now meeting every other week in the Church Hall. Please join our next meeting at **7pm on Tuesday 4th June**. All are welcome.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: Monday, 3rd June at 7pm. Text: John chapter 5. Zoom Meeting ID: 585 166 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 12th June.**

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 13th June** at 7.30 to 8.30pm in the Parish Hall. **Theme: Treasures of the Catholic Faith.**

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Teresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Frances Traylor, Mary Brearley, Angela Matthews, Janet Blackburn, Yvonne Richards, Bill Gill, Janice Jones, Wendy Graham, John Mannion, Jill Griffiths, Rachael Naylor, Michael Kinrade, Karolina Ashton, Andy Payne, Allan Jones, Noreen Hyden, Rita Power, Mary Richards, Pauline Howard, Gail Wilson, Elizabeth Williams.

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Ordinary Time we are asked to pray for these intentions: A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE: Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £956 Thanks for your generosity.	EVANGELISATION (DOMSEC) DONATIONS: Thanks to all who donate to support the work of evangelisation
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From the Parish Events Planning Team
UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS
(June – July 2024)

Sunday 9 June 4.00pm	HIGH TEA (To remember and celebrate our departed loved ones)	Please sign up in the porch
Saturday 15 June 10.00am	OLSS RAMBLERS (Come with us to explore the charms of walking paths in South Wales)	First Walk in Rhossili (For more information later)
Sunday 14 July 1.00pm	PARISH SUMMER GARDEN PARTY (Please invite your families and friends)	If you are happy to welcome us to your garden, please get in touch with Fr Michael

Saint Thomas Aquinas on the Eucharist

This sacrament has a threefold significance. One concerns the past, since it commemorates our Lord's Passion, which was a true sacrifice, and in this respect, it is called a "Sacrifice."

About the present, it is called "Communion" because we communicate with Christ through it, both because we partake of His flesh and Godhead, and because we communicate with and are united to one another through it.

Looking towards the future, this sacrament holds a third meaning. It is a promise of the Divine fruition that awaits us in heaven, and in this sense, it is called 'Viaticum' because it paves the way for us to reach that eternal destination. In this light, it is also known as the 'Eucharist,' meaning 'good grace,' for it really contains Christ, who is 'full of grace.'

Thomas Aquinas, *Summa Theologiae*, III, q.73, a.4

