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

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intentions
Sunday 3rd November 2024 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Souls of Our Departed Loved Ones Maggie Morris, Appreciation (A LI) Parish Community
Monday 4 th <i>St Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i>	9.30am	Souls of Our Departed Loved Ones
Tuesday 5 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am	Isabella Gilfedder, RIP Anniversary (C B)
Wednesday 6 th <i>St Illtud, Abbot</i>	9.30am 10.00am	Patrick & Johanna O'Donoghue, RIP Anniversary (Tess & Family) Coffee Morning
Thursday 7 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	7.00pm	Nora Hicks, RIP Anniversary (E W)
Friday 8 th November All Saints of Wales (Feast)	9.30am	Souls of Our Departed Loved Ones
Saturday 9 th The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)	10.00am	Souls of Our Departed Loved Ones
Sunday 10th November 2024 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.00am O/L Lamp	Parish Community Lorna Harte, RIP (E T) Ethan Akujobi-Ibe, Birthday Thanksgiving (L A) Veronica Davies, 90 th Birthday Anniversary

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: Madeline Aherne, Leo Maxwell-Carr, Elijah Webb, Margaret Joyce-Brown

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend for Sick & Retired Clergy. Thank you.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: Next Sunday, 10th November, is Remembrance Sunday. Please note that our usual 10.30am Mass will be celebrated at **10.00am next Sunday** to enable us to attend the Remembrance Day Service at 11am. Thank you.

HOLY HOUR FOR THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON: The Bishops of England and Wales will participate together in a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration to promote the dignity of the human person and the culture of life in our countries in the face of the assisted suicide legislation before the UK Parliament. This will take place at 5.30pm on Wednesday, November 13th 2024, during the Bishops' meeting in Leeds. Parishes and communities of our Archdiocese (including our parish) and beyond will join the Bishops by celebrating Eucharistic Adoration on the day and, at the same time, to create a powerful moment of prayer in our lands, promoting the intrinsic dignity of every person. Please join us in the parish!

CELEBRATING MAGGIE'S DEDICATED SERVICE: Maggie is retiring from her role as parish sacristan. We parishioners owe her a huge debt of gratitude for the untiring way she has carried out her duties as a sacristan, plus the many other roles she acquired, to the benefit of us all. Maggie's warm and caring personality and willingness to help anyone who asked gives her a special place in our church community. **The parish will specially thank Maggie at Masses on the weekend of 16/17 November. Cake will be served after each Mass.**

BEREAVEMENT SERVICE (WITH LIGHTING OF CANDLES): Saturday, 23rd November at 10.30am, 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, please contact Eileen Waters at 07592829091 or Fr Michael at mumbles@menevia.org. The service will be livestreamed.

PARISH LADIES' GUILD: Next meeting on **Wednesday 6th November** at 2pm in the Parish Hall: 'Who was St Illtud?'

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 available in the porch and hand it to the priests or put it through the letterbox of 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.

PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: Are you in need of confidential one-to-one support following a bereavement, whether a recent loss or one that occurred some time ago? A member of our Parish team is available to meet you and provide individual support. Whether you need someone to talk to, listen, pray with or just some company for a coffee and chat, please don't hesitate to call Rose at 078131-57296. We are here to support you. You are not alone in this journey of grief.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Now meeting every other week in the Church Hall. Please join our next meeting on **Tuesday 5th November at 7pm**. All are welcome.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: **Monday 4th November at 7pm**. Text: John chapter 8. 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 13th November at 5.30pm**.

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 7th November** 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, Elizabeth Williams, Mike Bickerstaff, Caroline Solomon, Maureen Dooley, Arthur Barragry, Sister Margaret.

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Ordinary Time (Autumn) we are asked to pray for these intentions: The Spread of the Gospel; Students and 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 INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER: We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter may find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £897 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
(November – December 2024)**

Saturday 23 November 10.30am	BEREAVEMENT SERVICE	Please see this newsletter for more information.
Saturday 30 November 12.30pm	PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH (Venue: Norton House Hotel)	£27 (2 courses), £32 (3 courses) Please sign up in the porch.
Sunday 15 December After 10.30am Mass	CHRISTMAS RAFFLE	Raffle draws will take place in the Parish Hall.

TRAINING OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

(This is a repeat training due to demand.)

Participants are sent by their parish priests. Current ministers are also welcome for a refresher)

Venue: Parish Hall of Our Lady Star of the Sea, Mumbles

Dates: Saturday 9 November 2024

Part 1 (Doctrinal): 11am – 1pm

Part 2 (Practical): 1.15pm – 3.15pm

(Please note that both parts must be attended to complete the course)

Facilitator: Fr Michael Akpoghiran, OP

(Please bring a packed lunch)