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

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intentions
Sunday 2nd March 2025 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Intention of the donor Michael Kinrade, RIP (M & A O'C) O/L Lamp: Nigel Brown – Birthday RIP
Monday 3 rd <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am	Private Intention (K H)
Tuesday 4 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am	Stephen Power, RIP (R P)
Wednesday 5 th Ash Wednesday A Day of Fasting & Abstinence	9.30am 10.00am 7.00pm	Mark Thomas, RIP (L M) Coffee Morning Intention of Kate Heywood (K H)
Thursday 6 th <i>Thursday after Ash Wednesday</i>	7.00pm	James & Michael, Birthday Thanksgiving (E W)
Friday 7 th <i>Friday after Ash Wednesday</i> Stations of the Cross	9.30am 7.00pm	Peter McPherson, RIP Anniversary (G M) Stations of the Cross
Saturday 8 th <i>Saturday after Ash Wednesday</i>	10.00am	Diana & Don Mason, RIP (E T)
Sunday 9th March 2025 1st Sunday of Lent	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Michael Kinrade, RIP (SVP) Private Intention of Ruth Kershaw O/L Lamp: Janice Jones

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: Fr Matthew Achunine, Sarah O'Kane.

ASH WEDNESDAY: 5th March is Ash Wednesday. A day of penance marked by fasting and abstinence from meat. There will be two Masses on the day: 9.30am and 7pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: During Lent, Stations of the Cross at 7pm every Friday.

LENTEN BOOKLETS: 'Walk with Me' Lenten prayer booklets will be available in the Porch during Lent.

MONSIGNOR BRIAN: Mgr Brian wishes to thank everyone for the many Mass cards and all the expressions of sympathy and support he has received on the death of his brother, Michael.

THANK YOU: Father Michael thanks everyone for their prayers, best wishes, cards and presents on his birthday.

GEOFF HYDEN, RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Geoff Hyden who passed in the night of 24th February. Funeral Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea on Friday, 21st March at 10am. Body will be received into church on Thursday 20th at 4.30pm. May the Lord grant him eternal rest and rewards. Amen.

DI AND DON MASON, RIP: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Diana (Di) and Donald (Don) Mason. Di and Don were parishioners of Mumbles before moving to Essex at the end of 2021 to be near their family. We received the sad news from their son that Diana passed in September 2024 and Don on 6th February 6, 2025. May the Lord grant them eternal rest and reward.

SPUC: There will be a retiring collection this weekend for SPUC (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children).

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: on Friday 7th March at 3pm at the Methodist Church in Mumbles. This year's celebration is arranged by the Women of the Cook Islands. All are welcome.

CAFOD: There will be a Lent Fast Day Appeal at all Masses on 8th/9th March. Through Cafod we support local experts to provide effective solutions to the biggest problems facing people all around the world. Thank you for your support.

PARISH WALKING GROUP: Our next walk will take place on Saturday 8th March in the West Brecon Beacons, near Cerreg Cennan Castle. We will meet at 10am in the car park, where we will start our walk. As before, we will offer two routes: one about 6.1 km long (3.8 miles), and the other 13-15 km long (8-9.3 miles). Please add your name to the list in the Church porch, and get in touch with Gosia (07749781673) for any questions or to confirm your attendance. Many thanks.

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

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: **Monday 10th March at 7pm**. Text: John chapter 11. Zoom Meeting ID: 585 166 8513.

HOUR 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 March at 6pm.**

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

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.

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, Yvonne Richards, Bill Gill, John Mannion, Jill Griffiths, Rachael Naylor, Karolina Ashton, Andy Payne, Allan Jones, Noreen Hyden, Rita Power, Mary Richards, Pauline Howard, Elizabeth Williams, Mike Bickerstaff, Caroline Solomon, Maureen Dooley, Arthur Barragry, Angela Miller, Sarah Leaman, Cecily Hughes, Roger Eddy.

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

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH: For families in Crisis.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £910 Thanks for your generosity.

EVANGELISATION (DOMSEC) DONATIONS:

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From the Parish Events Planning Team
UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS
(March - April 2025)

Saturday 8 March 10am	PARISH WALK	See this newsletter for details
Friday 4 April 7pm	PARISH FILM NIGHT	More information nearer the time.

Lenten Renewal

Theme: "For I know the plans I have for you"
(Jeremiah 29:11)

Saturday, 22 March 2025

Time: 10am to 1pm

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Mumbles

Facilitators: The Dominican Priests

(Mass, Spiritual Talk, Lunch Break, Adoration & Confession).

The events will be livestreamed. See parish website for the link.

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