

## Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church

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

| Date & Liturgical Celebration   | Time                                | Mass Intentions   |
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| <b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025</b><br><b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>   | 6.30pm (vigil)<br>8.30am<br>10.30am | Jan Bailey, Private Intention (E B)<br>Parish Community<br>Michael Coles, Birthday Anniversary RIP (J C)    |
| <b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b><br><i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>                     | 9.30am                              | Holy Souls  |
| <b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup></b><br><i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>                              | 9.30am                              | Holy Souls  |
| <b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b><br><b>NO MASS TODAY</b>                                       | 9.30am<br>10.00am                   | <b>No Mass due to roadworks outside the church</b><br><b>No Coffee Morning</b>                              |
| <b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup></b><br><b>NO MASS TODAY</b>  | 7.00pm                              | <b>No Mass due to roadworks outside the church</b>  |
| <b>Friday 5<sup>th</sup></b><br><b>NO MASS TODAY</b>  | 9.30am                              | <b>No Mass due to roadworks outside the church</b>  |
| <b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday</i>              | 10.00am                             | Tomas Dutko, Birthday Thanksgiving (K D)  |
| <b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025</b><br><b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> | 6.30pm (vigil)<br>8.30am<br>10.30am | Laurie Regan, RIP Anniversary (B R)<br>Parish Community<br>Intention of the donor<br>O/L Lamp: Judith Adams |

**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:** Clare Power, Michael Udoh, Maureen Diddams.

**ROADWORKS AND MASS CANCELLATIONS:** Due to roadworks taking place outside the church from Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September, and the attendant restrictions to movement, there will be NO MASS on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday this week. Thank you for your understanding.

**AWAY NOTICE:** Fr Jude will be away on holiday from Monday, 18 August to Friday, 19 September 2025.

**NOREEN HYDEN, RIP:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Noreen Hyden. Funeral Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 10am. Her body will be received into church on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 4.30pm. May the Lord grant her eternal rest and rewards.

**PARISH LADIES' GUILD:** The next meeting will be on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 2pm in the Parish Hall. All ladies welcome.

**PARISH FILM NIGHT:** We apologise that the Film Night has been moved to Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> October, 7pm. More information later.

**JUBILEE YEAR – PILGRIMS OF HOPE:** Jubilee Mass for Religious of the Archdiocese of Cardiff Menevia will be celebrated on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 11am, Mumbles Parish**, Swansea, SA3 4DR. The presiding priest will be Abbot Brendan Thomas OSB, Abbot of Belmont. Holy Mass will be followed by lunch and talk finishing for 2pm. Mass and Talk will be live streamed at [ourladystaroftheseamumbles.org.uk](http://ourladystaroftheseamumbles.org.uk)

**PARISH PRAYER GROUP:** Now meeting every other week in the Church Hall. Please join our next meeting on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 7pm**. All are welcome.

**PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE:** **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm**. Text: John chapter 14. Zoom Meeting ID: 585 166 8513.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):** We rejoice with Beverly Guess who will be baptised and confirmed at the 10am Mass on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

**WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS:** Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Teresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Frances Traylor, Angela Matthews, Yvonne Richards, Bill Gill, John Mannion, Jill Griffiths, Karolina Ashton, Andy Payne, Allan Jones, Rita Power, Mary Richards, Pauline Howard, Elizabeth Williams, Mike Bickerstaff, Caroline Solomon, Maureen Dooley, Arthur Barragry, Sarah Leaman, Cecily Hughes, Anna Dutkova, Roger Eddy, Joy Stafford, Brian Davies, Fran Jordan, Margaret Cross.

**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 & Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

**THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER:** For our relationship with all of creation.

**SUNDAY OFFERING:** £1039

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### **PARISH GARDEN PARTY**

**Date: Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025. Time: 1.00p.m. Venue: Please see notice board for address.** Special thanks to our host.

All are invited and welcome. Please invite your families and friends. We would be grateful if parishioners would bring some food and / or a bottle to share. If you have a folding chair and/or a rug, please bring it. Please sign up on the notice board. Thank you.

### **Supporting the Education of Dominican Priests who Serve Us**

Fr Jude has been with us for nearly two years, and his presence has been a blessing to our parish. We are delighted that he loves the parish and Mumbles and is very happy being here. He is following in the footsteps of previous Dominican priests in Mumbles (Fr Victor and Fr Matthew), who served our parish, studied here in Swansea, and returned to Nigeria to use their acquired skills and experience. Similarly, Fr Jude began a master's degree course in Management at Swansea University last autumn. This course, spread over two academic years, costs £10,850 per academic year (international student tuition fee). Last August, you, our wonderful parishioners, raised £6,055, exceeding our target, to enable him to complete the first academic year. Thank you!

When our Dominican priests study here, we, the Dominican Province of Nigeria, always have to pay their tuition fees. Thankfully, you, the parishioners, have been very generous in supporting the tuition fees of our Dominican priests who have served our parish. Your unwavering support and outstanding generosity have made it possible to train Fr Victor, Fr Matthew, and now Fr Jude. Once again, we are appealing for your kindness. As a parish community, we have always stood by our priests, and now, we have another opportunity to support Fr Jude to enable him to complete the final year of his studies. This is not just an individual effort, but a collective one that reflects our shared commitment to our priests and their service.

We propose to raise £5,850. A donor has pledged to match this amount with £5,000, almost doubling the impact of our collective effort to the required £10,850.

If you wish to contribute to this noble cause, donation envelopes will be available in the porch for your convenience. Simply make your donation, seal the envelope, and drop it in the collection box or through the letterbox of the Presbytery (22 Devon Place). You can also make cheques payable to the "Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia Mumbles Parish". For online bank transfer, please use the following details (Account name: "Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia Mumbles Parish"; Sort code: 556155; Account number: 02016524; Reference: "Dominican Education") and notify us of the transfer as soon as possible. Your contributions, no matter how big or small, will make a difference. Thank you very much.

Fr Michael Akpoghiran, OP

**Our Target: £5,850**

**Amount raised so far: £2,160**

**Thank you for your generosity**