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

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intentions
Sunday 9th November 2025 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)	6.30pm (vigil) 8.30am 10.00am	Private Intention Parish Community Munnangi Maria-Joseph Family, Thanksgiving (H.M.J) O/L Lamp: Rhiannon Williams, RIP
Monday 10 th <i>St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church</i>	9.30am	Jean Morgan, RIP (J R)
Tuesday 11 th Funeral Mass	10.00am	Funeral Mass for Bernard Clee, RIP
Wednesday 12 th <i>St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr</i>	9.30am 10.00am	Patrick (Paddy) McCann, RIP Anniversary (N E) Coffee Morning
Thursday 13 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	7.00pm	Our Departed Loved Ones
Friday 14 th <i>St Dyfrig, Bishop</i>	9.30am	Our Departed Loved Ones
Saturday 15 th Bereavement Service (with lighting of candles)	11.00am	
Sunday 16th November 2025 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Nancy & John Morris, RIP Anniversary (E T) Pat Flynn, RIP (S O'C)/ Our Departed Loved Ones

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: Louise Pass, Ethan Akujobi-Ibe, Paul Cullen, Luigi Derriman.

CAFOD: Don't know what to buy family and friends this Christmas? Pick up a CAFOD World Gift Catalogue in the Porch. World Gifts are a wonderful way to share the hope and joy of Christmas with our global family. Once again, thank you for all your wonderful support for Cafod.

AWAY NOTICE: Fr Michael will be away in Nigeria from November 6 to December 4 to participate in the Provincial Elective Chapter of the Dominicans in Nigeria & Ghana. This gathering of delegates is held once every four years to elect a provincial (major superior) and other principal officers, and to decide on the most important matters concerning the life and ministry of the Dominicans in the province.

BEREAVEMENT SERVICE (WITH LIGHTING OF CANDLES): **Saturday 15th November 11 am**, 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 Rose Cooze on 07813157296 or email rosiecottle26@gmail.com or Fr Michael at mumbles.menevia.org. The service will be livestreamed.

PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Norton House. **Saturday 13th December at 1pm.** Please sign up in the porch with your menu choices and make full payment **by 10th November** (members of the Events team will be in the porch to collect at weekend Masses).

N.B. Unfortunately, we are unable to confirm your booking without payment. Any queries, please contact Rose on 07813157296.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: We encourage parishioners to donate presents for the Christmas Raffle. Proceeds will go towards SVP and Dementia support.

FUNERAL MASS FOR BERNARD CLEE, RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bernard Clee. **Funeral Mass on Tuesday, 11th November at 10am.** May the Lord grant him eternal rest and rewards. Amen.

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 PRAYER GROUP: Now meeting every other week in the Church Hall. Please join our next meeting on **Tuesday 11th November at 7pm.** All are welcome.

VACANCY: A dedicated caretaker to join St David's Catholic School. If you would like to find out more information, please visit our website: <https://www.stdavidsatholicprimary.swansea.sch.uk/vacancies/> or contact the school. Telephone: 01792512212 or email: richardse197@hwbcymru.net.

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 19th November at 6pm.**

PRAYER INTENTION ENVELOPE (HOUR OF GRACE): If you would like us to pray for an intention during the Hour of Grace please collect a brown prayer intention envelope in the porch. It is NOT a Mass intention envelope. Thank you.

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Teresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Frances T aylor, 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, Roger Eddy, Joy Stafford, Brian Davies, Fran Jordan, Margaret Frost, Sue Sander, Emily Jones, Wendy Graham.

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 NOVEMBER: For the prevention of suicide.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £889 SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS: £319
Thank you for your generosity

**From the Parish Events Planning Team
UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS
(November - December 2025)**

Sat. 15 November 11am	BEREAVEMENT SERVICE	Please see the previous page of this newsletter for more information.
Sat. 13 December 1pm	PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH (at Norton House Hotel)	Please see the previous page of this newsletter for more information.

THOMISTIC AI TALKS (ACADEMIC TALKS)

Theme: A Catholic Perspective on Artificial Intelligence

Dates: January 20, January 27, February 3, 2026

Time and Mode of Delivery: 6:00pm – 8:00pm; via Zoom

Speaker: Fr Michael Akpoghiran, OP

Suitable Audience: University Students (especially Postgraduate researchers)

Drawing insight from the thought of St Thomas Aquinas and the Church's social teachings, these academic talks by Fr Michael Akpoghiran OP can help interested university students (especially postgraduate researchers) to gain a handle on a Catholic perspective on the current debates in the philosophy & theology of artificial intelligence (including AI ethics).

The talks are free to attend. Registration is required. To register, please send an email to Eileen Waters at eileenwaters925@gmail.com

Fr. Michael Akpoghiran holds an MA in theology, a PhD in philosophy, and a PhD in computer science.