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

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intentions
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	6.30pm (vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Beryl Brennan, Private Intention (C B) Esther & Tony Harris, RIP (P P) Parish Community
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December <b>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)</b>	9.30am	Private, Thanksgiving (E W)
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Advent</i>	9.30am	Jim Dalton & Denis Clayton, RIP (M C & R C)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> <i>St John Roberts, Priest, Martyr</i>	9.30am 10.00am	Bernard Clee, RIP (B & D D) Coffee Morning
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Advent</i>	7.00pm	Holy Souls
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	9.30am	Private Intention
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> <i>St Lucy, Virgin &amp; Martyr</i>	10.00am	Brian Thomas, RIP Anniversary (E T)
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> <b>(Gaudete Sunday)</b>	6.30pm (vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Colin Plumb, Private Intention (C B) Parish Community Michael Quigley, RIP (M & A 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:** Callum Isaac-Clarke, Jean Powell.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES:** Classes have resumed, Sundays, after the 10.30am Mass, in anticipation of reception of First Holy Communion, the coming year. Please contact **Sandra Morgan** and **Marie Fouracre** for registration and details.

**'WALK WITH ME':** These Advent booklets are available in the Porch. Price £1.

**PARISH CHILDRENS' NATIVITY:** We invite children of all ages to join in this celebration, which will take place before the 6.30pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass. Rehearsals are held in the church each Sunday after the 10.30 Mass. Please join us.

**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.

**ARCHDIOCESAN YOUTH EVENT:** The Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia would love to invite you to the opening event for Emmaus Encounter for young adults (ages 18-35) on Saturday 13 December at Our Lady & St Michael's Church, Abergavenny. Cost £10 Journey with us for an opportunity to meet new people, have lunch, spend social time together, join discussions, and explore and deepen your faith. The event will also include Holy Mass with Archbishop Mark. Register here: <https://rcadc.org/emmaus-encounter-advent-retreat/>

**E-ACTION CAMPAIGN ON ASSISTED DYING – HAVE YOUR SAY:** The Catholic Bishops Conference has launched an e-action campaign to protect vulnerable people and support palliative care. They encourage Catholics and all people of good will to contact their Members of the Senedd regarding the proposed legislation of assisted suicide through Westminster's Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill. Please take part through the following links: Cardiff-Menevia link: <https://rcadc.org/archbishop-mark-issues-urgent-call-to-oppose-assisted-suicide/>;

Bishops Conference link: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/archbishop-of-cardiff-menevia-urges-catholics-to-oppose--assisted-suicide-in-wales/>

**BABY SOPHIE'S BAPTISM:** We are all invited to welcome Baby Sophie into the Church as she receives the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, this Sunday, 7 December 2025, at the 10.30am Mass. Consequently, Mass will last a little longer than usual. There will be some light refreshment after, courtesy the family.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH:** Norton House, Saturday 13th December at 1pm. 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. All ticket foils need to be in by **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, with names and contact details on the white tickets please.

**ONE CARD FOR ALL:** This year, why not send your Christmas greetings to all Parishioners by pinning one Christmas card on the board provided in the porch and making a small donation. Money raised will be divided between St David's RC School and The Missionaries of Charity. Thank you.

**PARISH PRAYER GROUP:** Now meeting every other week in the Church Hall. Please join our next meeting on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 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.stdavidscatholicprimary.swansea.sch.uk/vacancies/> or contact the school. Telephone: 01792512212 or email: [richardse197@hwbcymru.net](mailto: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 in the New Year, 2026.**

**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.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** There will be a retiring collection next weekend for **Flowers for Christmas**.

**WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS:** Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Teresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Frances Taylor, 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, Fran Jordan, Margaret Frost, Sue Sander, Emily Jones, Wendy Graham, Tess O'Donoghue, Ann Lane.

**THE CYCLE OF PRAYER:** During Advent and Christmastide we are invited to pray for Migrants and Refugees, and for Expectant Mothers.

**THE POPE'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER:** For Christians in areas of conflict.

**SUNDAY OFFERING: £948** Thank you for your generosity

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

<b>Sat. 13 December</b> <b>1pm</b>	<b>PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH</b> <b>(at Norton House Hotel)</b>	Please see the previous page of this newsletter for more information.
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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) AT CHRISTMAS**

DATE	TIME	PRIEST(S)
Friday December 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am – 11am (after Mass); 6.30pm-7pm	Visiting Priest
Saturday December 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am – 11am (with Adoration)	Fr Jude and a Visiting Priest
Monday December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6.30pm – 7pm	Visiting Priests

**CHRISTMAS LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS**

DATE	TIME	CELEBRATION
Wednesday December 24 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm	Christmas Vigil Mass
Wednesday December 24 <sup>th</sup>	9.45pm	Christmas Carols
Wednesday December 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00pm	Mass during the night (Livestreamed)
Christmas Day December 25 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Mass of Christmas Day
Christmas Day December 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass of Christmas Day (Livestreamed)

*Peace in our hearts. Peace in our homes. Peace in our nation. Peace in our world.  
Come O Prince of Peace!*