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

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intentions
Sunday 25th October 2026 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time	6.30pm (vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Rachel Jones, Blessings & Thanksgiving (W G Family) Maurice Rees, RIP Anniversary (J R) Pietro Covelli, RIP Anniversary (L C)
Monday 26 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am	Maura O'Brien, RIP (E T)
Tuesday 27 th <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.30am	Parish Community
Wednesday 28 th Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles (Feast)	9.30am 10.00am	Clive Morgan, Birthday Thanksgiving (J R) COFFEE MORNING
Thursday 29 th <i>Evening Mass</i> <i>Reception of Body into Church</i>	7.00pm 8.00pm	Joshua Bevan, Birthday Thanksgiving (J B) Reception of Body into the Church for Wendy Graham
Friday 30 th Funeral Mass	10.30am	Funeral Mass for Wendy Graham
Saturday 31 st <i>Votive Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday</i>	10.00am	Godfrey Aghogho Akpobasa, RIP Anniversary
Sunday 1st November 2026 All Saints (Solemnity)	6.30pm (vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Wendy Graham, RIP (M M) Parish Community Wendy Graham, RIP (SVP, Llantwit Major)

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: Brian White, Isabel Wigley, Kazia Obara.

OCTOBER DEVOTION TO OUR LADY: The month of October is traditionally a month of devotion to Our Lady. Please join us in saying a livestreamed Rosary after the 9.30am Mass on Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and during the Saturday Adoration (after the 10am Mass).

2ND NOVEMBER (COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED): Monday, 2nd November, is the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (ALL SOULS DAY). **Parish Mass at 9.30am and 7.00pm.**

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 envelope will be placed in front of the altar at each Mass in November. Anniversary Mass intentions will be shared with the list.

BEREAVEMENT SERVICE (WITH LIGHTING OF CANDLES): **Saturday 7th November** 11am, Our Lady Star of the Sea. This 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 Delyth Johnstone on **07793723099** or email on delyth66@aol.com. The service will be livestreamed.

PARISH SCRIPTURE SHARING ONLINE: Next meeting on Zoom will be on Monday 9th November. More details later.

PARISH LADIES' GUILD: Our next meeting is **4th November** at 2pm in the Parish Hall, when we will be discussing our future. All ladies are welcome to join us.

MAURA O'BRIEN, RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maura O'Brien, who peacefully passed in the early hours of Thursday, 1 October 2026, after receiving the last rites of the Church. **Funeral Mass on Tuesday 3rd November at 10.30am.** May the Lord grant her eternal rest and rewards. Amen.

WENDY GRAHAM, RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Wendy Graham. May the Lord grant her eternal rest and rewards. Amen. **Funeral Mass on Friday 30th October at 10.30am.**

ONE-OFF CHANGE OF MASS TIME: On **Sunday 8th November**, the 10.30 Mass will be held at **10am** to accommodate the Remembrance Memorial Service taking place in Mumbles.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a retiring collection next weekend for the **Sick & Retired Clergy Appeal**.

LAY DOMINICANS: What can we learn from true influencers - the great thinkers of the Church. And how can exploring our faith help us understand the world - and ourselves? These are the kinds of questions that have inspired the Dominican tradition for centuries. Lay Dominicans in our parish share that passion for learning, reflection and the search for truth. Why not drop into our next meeting and find out more. **Saturday 14th November** after morning Mass in the Parish Room. Bring your curiosity - and definitely bring your questions! All welcome.

VACANCY FOR EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER: The vacancy is at the Federation of Mary Immaculate and St Teilo's Catholic Primary Schools, Pembrokeshire. Please see the poster on the Parish notice board for details.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Meets every other week in the Church Hall. Next on **Tuesday 3rd November at 7pm** in the Parish Hall.

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, Hymns, Worship Songs, Intercessions for Various Intentions, and Benediction. Next session will be on **Wednesday 11th November**.

PRAYER INTENTION ENVELOPE (HOOR 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: 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, Pauline Howard, Elizabeth Williams, Mike Bickerstaff, Caroline Solomon, Arthur Barragry, Sarah Leaman, Cecily Hughes, Roger Eddy, Joy Stafford, Fran Jordan, Maureen Dooley, Margaret Frost, Emily Jones, Tess O'Donoghue, Joshua Lane, Mark McGaw, Judith Adams, Breda Tennant, Paula Wilson, John Jones, Margaret Joyce-Brown, Mary Hunter, Jackie Rees, Lira, Mary O'Sullivan, Nino Cacace.

CYCLE OF PRAYER: From September to Christ the King, 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 the Families.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER: For mental health ministry, that it be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER: For the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £925 HOME MISSION SUNDAY: £296.80

Thank you for your generosity

**From the Parish Events-Planning Team
UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS
(October - December 2026)**

Saturday, 7 November 2026 11am	PARISH BEREAVEMENT SERVICE	See this newsletter for more information.
Saturday, 12 December 2026 12.30pm	PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH	Norton House Hotel (£28 for 2 courses; £33 for 3 courses)
Sunday, 13 December 2026 After the 10.30am Mass	CHRISTMAS RAFFLE	Please see notice board for more information.

CATHOLIC FAITH ROUNDTABLE

"Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that you have."

1 Peter 3:15

Are you prepared to explain the basis of your faith? Would you appreciate a deeper understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church? Whether you are new to the faith, returning to the practice of the faith, or grounded in the practice, there is always room to understand better what we believe as Catholics. Join us to discuss Catholic teachings.

The next meeting is on **Thursday 5th November 7.45 to 8.45pm** in the Parish Hall.

Remote Zoom attendance is available. Zoom ID: 585 166 8513

Topic: Proudly Catholic

How it works...

- 7pm: Mass

- 7.45pm: Pizza & Tea/Coffee in the Parish Hall

- A short presentation of the topic by a priest

- Questions, comments, discussion.