

ST. TEILO'S



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Parish of St. Teilo's with Our Lady of Lourdes

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Parish Newsletter



Weekend 1st – 2nd December 2018 First Sunday of Advent

Today's Mass

The Mass readings and prayers for the First Sunday of Advent are on page 82 of the Mass Book.

Flower Collection

At all Masses this weekend there will be a retiring collection to help decorate the Church with flowers at Christmas. Please give generously and support the work of our dedicated group of volunteers who decorate the Church so wonderfully each year.

The Season of Advent

Today we begin the season of Advent, a very special time of prayer and preparation for the coming of the Lord, both in commemoration of his Nativity and of his coming again as Judge of all creation. Far too often, we Catholics can get caught up in the secular practice of starting Christmas early. For us the Christmas season starts with the first Mass of Christmas, late on Christmas Eve, and does not end until the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Advent then is a time to prepare for, not anticipate, the Christmas celebration. Advent's theme is that of spiritual preparation which increases the intensity of joy with each day of the season. We should strive to keep the Season of Advent very distinctly. Advent is the time to make ready for Christ to live with us. Advent is the time when eternity approaches earth; we are called to be ready when he comes. We should make the words of the hymn our own:

When is he coming? When, oh when is he coming, the Redeemer?

When will we see him? When, oh when will we see him, the Redeemer?

Come, oh come, to your people on earth, to your people on earth bring love!

He will come into our hearts and our lives this Christmas if we prepare for His coming in faith. So please make good use of the season of Advent by making an effort to find more time for daily prayer or to come to daily Mass.

Advent Wreath

Today we light the first candle of our Advent Wreath. We will pray as we light the candle. The reader will say:

As we light our first Advent candle may we prepare in our daily lives, our homes, our schools, our work that the light of Christ may enlighten each one of us this Advent and enable us to come to meet the Lord who comes again to us.

We all respond: **We welcome the light of Christ**

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jennifer Hill and Ivor King. Mrs Hill's Funeral Service will take place at the Wenallt Chapel, Thornhill on December 4th at 1.15pm. Mr King's Funeral Service will take place at the Wenallt Chapel, Thornhill on December 5th at 11.00am.

Youth Mass on Wednesday, December 5th

The 7pm Mass on Wednesday, December 5th at Our Lady of Lourdes, will be led by the parish youth. The young people will be getting together after the Mass in the Parish Hall.

First Friday Coffee Morning – St Teilo’s

Friday, December 7th is the first Friday of the month and will be followed by the Christmas coffee morning in the Hall. Please come along and enjoy tea, coffee, minced pies etc.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday sees the celebration of one of the great Marian Feasts of the Church. On the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, we celebrate Mary who is full of grace; she is the one who, to prepare her to be the Mother of God’s Son, is preserved from the moment of her conception from the effects of Original Sin. We come to honour our Immaculate Mother at Mass at 10am.

Memorial Candle

The candle burning in front of the Book of Remembrance this week is for the repose of the soul of Andrew Ross. May he, and all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

Refreshments after Mass

Refreshments will be served in the Hall after the 11 o’clock Mass next Sunday, December 9th. All are welcome.

20s/30s Catholic Drinks

Following the success of last month’s get together, the next meeting of the 20/30s Catholics takes place next Sunday, December 9th in the Fox and Hounds, Old Church Road, next to St Teilo’s Church, at 7.30pm. Catholic Young Adults from across Cardiff are invited to meet friends, new and old, at Catholic Drinks after the 6:30pm Mass in St Teilo’s. It’s an opportunity to meet others who share our faith and to relax before Monday morning - all welcome!

Christmas Carol Concert and Minced Pies

On Thursday, December 13th, the parish will be hosting a Christmas Carol Concert at 7pm at Our Lady of Lourdes. The event starts at 7pm with the doors opening at 6.30pm. The concert is to raise funds for Tenovus and will be led by the Tenovus South Choir and some special guest artists. Tickets are £5 and will be available this weekend and on the night. Minced pies and mulled wine will be available in the Hall after the Concert.

Polish/English – Mass and Carols

The 7pm Mass on Wednesday, December 19th, will be a bilingual Mass celebrated in Polish and English. The Mass will be an opportunity to bring together the two communities who use Our Lady of Lourdes for weekly worship, to pray and prepare for Christmas. We will include Polish and English Carols and there will be refreshments after the Mass in the Hall.

Mass Attendance for November 24th –25th

OLOL	57		
St Teilo	9.00am - 139	11.00 - 125	6.30pm - 92

The list of our Faithful Departed whose anniversaries occur this week is in the Church. Please inform Canon Isaac of any sick or housebound parishioners who would like to receive Communion at home.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Mass Times will be as follows

Vigil Masses on Christmas Eve

4.30pm at St. Teilo's – Mass in Welsh

6pm at Our Lady of Lourdes with Carols from 5.30pm

Midnight Mass on Christmas Day

12am midnight at St. Teilo's, with Carols from 11.30pm

12am midnight at Our Lady of Lourdes - Mass in Polish

Daytime Masses - Christmas Day

9am at St. Teilo's - Mass of Dawn

10.30am at St. Teilo's - Mass of Christmas Day

10.30am at Our Lady of Lourdes - Mass in Polish

12pm midday at Our Lady of Lourdes - Mass in Polish

Baptism Courses – December and January

December's Course will take place at Christ the King on Thursdays, December 6th and 13th at 7.30 pm.

Please contact Brigid Lee (andylee63@talktalk.net) if you wish to attend.

January's Course will take place in St. Brigid's Sacristy. The Sacristy is accessed beyond the altar in church on Tuesdays, January 8th and 15th at 7pm. Please contact Anna Martin

(stevemartincardiff@gmail.com) if you wish to attend.

First Holy Communion 2019: Preparation for First Holy Communion at St Teilo's will start towards the end of January 2019. If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like him/her to make his/her First Holy Communion next year, please complete an application form that can be found at the back of the Church and return it to Canon Isaac.

Confirmation 2019: Confirmation will take place in the parish on Saturday, May 25th, 2019. If you are in Year 8 or above and wish to be confirmed, please email Canon on: canonwilliamisaac@gmail.com or speak to him after Mass.

Christmas Quiz – Our Lady of Lourdes

Our Lady of Lourdes belongs to the Llandaff North Churches together. Each church tries to hold one inter-church event every year. We have not done anything for several years. Therefore, we are holding a Post-Christmas Quiz in the church hall on THURSDAY, JANUARY 3rd at 3pm. Entry is free and refreshments will be provided. PLEASE come and support this event.

Christmas Parish Lunch: If you have put your name down for the Christmas Parish Lunch on Sunday, January 6th at the Cornerstone in Charles Street, Cardiff, we would be grateful if you would now make the payment of £22.50 per person. The deadline for payment is Monday, December 17th. You may pay by cash or cheque. Please make out cheques to St. Teilo's with Our Lady of Lourdes. Please put your payment in an envelope, clearly marked Christmas Parish Lunch. You may give your envelope to Canon Isaac or put it in the offertory basket.

Collections for 24th/25th November 2018

	OLOL 6pm	St T 9am	St T 11am	St T 6.30pm
Cash	85	203	172	100
Gift Aid	85	210	109	99

Confessions: Saturday: St. Teilo's - 10.30-11am & OLOL - 5.15-5.45pm

Mass Times / Intentions Week Beginning 1st/2nd December 2018			
Saturday 1 December First Sunday of Advent	OLOL	6.00pm	Katherine Kelly – RIP
	OLOL	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sunday 2 nd December First Sunday of Advent	St. Teilo	9.00am	Bernard O'Sullivan – RIP
	OLOL	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	11.00am	Malcolm Norgate – Anniversary (JN)
	OLOL	12.00pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	6.30pm	For the People of the Parish
Monday 3 rd December St. Francis Xavier, Priest	St. Teilo	10.00am	Thomas and Winifride Mullins John Salter – Anniversary
Tuesday 4 th December	St. Teilo	10.00am	Anthony Peter Calderbank
Wednesday 5 th December	OLOL	7.00pm	Gus A'Herne – RIP
Thursday 6 th December St. Nicholas, Bishop	St. Teilo	10.00am	Wellbeing of the daughter of Jan Bancroft (JG)
Friday 7 th December St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	St. Teilo	10.00am	Wellbeing of AAK
Saturday 8 th December The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)	St. Teilo	10.00am	Fr Jimmy Thomas and the deceased of the Thomas Family (GG) Val Glavin (JG)
Saturday 8 th December Second Sunday of Advent	OLOL	6.00pm	Private Intention
	OLOL	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sunday 9 th December Second Sunday of Advent	St. Teilo	9.00am	For the People of the Parish
	OLOL	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	11.00am	Pryce-Jones and Martinez-Puerto Families (TP-J)
	OLOL	12.00pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	6.30pm	Holy Souls

Cardiff Prison – Catholic volunteers needed

Volunteers are asked to join the team who visit Catholic prisoners at Cardiff Prison. Volunteers are also asked to join the prisoners for the Prison Mass on Friday afternoons. If you are interested please contact the chaplain - Andrew Thomas - 029 2092 3233 or andrew.thomas3@hmps.gsi.gov.uk

Poinsettias for the crib

As in previous years, we are inviting donations of Poinsettias to be placed before the crib at Christmas. If you would like to donate your Poinsettia on behalf of a loved one, please add their name to the list at the back of each church and bring your Poinsettia along with you on the Sunday before Christmas, the Fourth Sunday of Advent.