

Parish of St. Teilo's with Our Lady of Lourdes
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ST TEILO'S



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Parish Newsletter

Weekend 7th/8th September 2019

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



OF LOURDES
Gabalfa

Today's Mass: The Mass readings and prayers for the Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time are on page 133 of the Mass Book.

New Parish Email Addresses - reminder

From September 1st, the email for contacting the Parish of St. Teilo's with Our Lady of Lourdes is either whitchurch@rcadc.org or gabalfa@rcadc.org RCADC is now the email for all Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff email addresses. The existing email addresses will be monitored for a short time to ensure smooth transition, but if you have the incorrect email stored in your phone or diary please amend it as soon as possible.

Blessed Frédéric Ozanam

On Monday, we celebrate the memorial of the Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. As a parish with an active SVP, we remember Blessed Frédéric at Mass and pray for the work of the Society in our parish and across the world. Blessed Frédéric always respected the poor while offering whatever service he could. He believed that each man, woman, and child was too precious to God to live in poverty. The members of the Society continue this mission of outreach and care for those who are poor or have other needs.

Adoration for Our Families

On Monday of this week, September 9th, we have the monthly hour of adoration for families here at St. Teilo's between 1.30pm and 2.30pm. Families face many challenges in our society. This monthly adoration before the Blessed Sacrament is an opportunity to pray for our families and the problems that they face. All are welcome to attend this time of quiet prayer.

SPUC and Our Lady of Penrhys

A small band of SPUC members will be gathering at the Shrine of Our Lady of Penrhys at 3pm on Saturday, September 14th, to pray for the protection of all unborn children and to protect their mothers from taking the terrible step of ending the life of their unborn child, God's most precious gift. Well over 9 million babies have lost their lives to abortion in the UK since April 27th, 1968.

The Triumph of the Cross

The Feast of the Triumph of the Holy Cross is celebrated at Saturday morning Mass next weekend. The feast recalls three historical events: the finding of the True Cross by Saint Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine; the dedication of churches built by Constantine on the site of the Holy Sepulchre and Mount Calvary; and the restoration of the True Cross to Jerusalem by the Emperor Heraclius II. However, the deeper meaning of the feast is a celebration of the Cross as the instrument of our salvation. This instrument of torture, designed to degrade the worst of criminals, became the life-giving tree that reversed Adam's Original Sin when he ate from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil in the Garden of Eden. Please make an effort to attend Mass on Saturday to celebrate this great feast.

Home Mission Sunday

Next Sunday is celebrated across England and Wales as Home Mission Sunday, a day when we pray for the on-going evangelisation of the people of our countries. Home Mission Sunday provides an opportunity to look more closely at the way we can form and grow Missionary Parishes and form Missionary Disciples. There are a number of initiatives taking place across the Archdiocese to reach those who do not know Jesus, or have not encountered him in the Catholic faith. Please pray for the on-going work of the Church to follow the Lord's command to "go out to the whole world and proclaim the Good News" (Mark 16:15).

Finance Update - Reminder

Parishioners will recall that earlier this year, Peter Searle, Chair of the Parish Finance weekend, spoke at all Masses one weekend, highlighting that, following Quinquennial Reports, and to comply with mandatory Health and Safety requirements, we need to spend in excess of £100,000 over the next few years. Since that time, we have been examining options open to us to ensure that we can responsibly meet our obligations in respect of works, which are required to be done both in Whitchurch and in Gabalfa. Levels of expenditure are greatest at Gabalfa, where it is evident that no major expenditure had been made over the fifty years to ensure that everything remained "fit for purpose".

Over the coming weeks, the Finance Committee will be talking to and taking advice from the Archdiocese and others, of how we move to the next stage of ensuring that ALL our properties are safe for all users and that they remain "fit for purpose" so we can, as a parish, continue to deliver the vision and message of Christ in this part of Cardiff. As your Parish Priest, I will endeavour to keep you fully apprised of what is happening. Every parishioner can assist by praying that the Holy Spirit will guide all involved in the decision making, to ensure that His Will be done. Thank you. *Canon Isaac*

Baptism Course

The next Baptism Course takes place at St. Brigid's, Crystal Glen (The Sacristy is accessed beyond the altar in the Church) on the Tuesdays, September 24th and October 1st at 7pm. Please email Ann Martin if attending: stevemartincardiff@gmail.com

Collections for 31st August / 1st September 2019					
LOL	6pm	St Teilo's	9am	11am	6.30pm
Cash	£ 120		£ 217	£ 156	£ 120
Gift Aid	£ 90		£ 289	£ 135	£ 50

Marriage Preparation - Volunteers needed: Could it be you?

Broken relationships are extremely painful especially among family and friends. The Archdiocese is partnering with Catholic Marriage Care to train and equip parishioners to become FOCCUS Facilitators and help prepare couples for the Sacrament of Marriage. FOCCUS stands for 'Facilitating Open Couple Communication, Understanding and Study'. If you want to be part of a friendly team helping couples to have the best start in their marriage, training for this role will be held 26th – 27th October at Hedley Lodge, Hereford. For more information visit www.marriagecare.org.uk or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

The God Who Speaks – The Year of the Word

Earlier in the year, we encouraged parishioners to engage in the survey, which the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales ran on Catholic attitudes to Scripture. Informed by this, the preparations for a major initiative of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales called 'The God Who Speaks' has been introduced. The Bishops, together with the Bible Society, have developed their plans and later this month, publicity leaflets and information brochures together with study notes will be sent to the parish to encourage people to form small groups in order to study the Gospel of St. Matthew in 2020. More information will be available in the near future.

Refreshments after Mass Next Sunday

Refreshments will be served in the Hall after the 11 o'clock Mass next Sunday, September 8th. All are very welcome.

<p>Mass attendance on Sunday 31st August / 1st September 2019 LOL 6pm - 74, St. Teilo's 9am - 152, 11am - 136, 6.30pm - 85</p>
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Confessions:**Saturday: St. Teilo's - 10.30-11.00am, OLOL - 5.15-5.45pm**

Mass Times / Intentions Weeks Beginning 7th/8th September 2019			
Sat 7th September 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	O.L.O.L.	6pm	Daniel Ahearne - RIP (Gerry)
	O.L.O.L.	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sun 8th September 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	St.T.	9am	Jane and Gregory Massey - RIP
	O.L.O.L.	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St.T.	11am	For the People of the Parish
	O.L.O.L.	12pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St.T.	6.30pm	Holy Souls
Mon 9th September Blessed Frédéric Ozanam	St.T.	10am	Tony Mullins
Tue 10th September	St.T.	10am	John and Josephine Bending - RIP (RCB)
Wed 11th September St. Deiniol, Bishop	O.L.O.L.	7pm	Terry - RIP and Wellbeing of Cath (WJI)
Thu 12th September The Most Holy Name of Mary	St.T.	10am	Hall Family (CH)
Fri 13th September St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	St.T.	10am	Holy Souls
Sat 14th September The Triumph of the Cross (Feast)	St.T.	10am	Private Intention
Sat 14th September 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time	O.L.O.L.	6pm	Deceased Relatives of the Jeffreys Family
	O.L.O.L.	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sun 15th September 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time	St.T.	9am	Terry Withers and David (WW)
	O.L.O.L.	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St.T.	11am	For the People of the Parish
	O.L.O.L.	12pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St.T.	6.30pm	Private Intention

Please note that 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.