

ST. TEILO'S



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

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Parish Newsletter

OUR LADY



OF LOURDES
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Weekend 7th – 8th December 2019

Second Sunday of Advent

Today's Mass: The Mass readings and prayers for the Second Sunday of Advent are on page 85 of the Mass Book.



'I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our lands.'

Ps 84:9-14



Rest in Peace

Please keep in your prayers the repose of the soul of Kath O'Sullivan. Kath has been a very long standing and faithful member of the community at Our Lady of Lourdes and will be missed by many. Her funeral arrangements will be confirmed in the near future.

Memorial Candle

The candle burning in front of the Book of Remembrance this week is for the repose of the soul of Mary Mannion. May she and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Advent Wreath

Today we light the second candle of our Advent Wreath.

We will pray as we light the candle. The reader will say::

As we light our second Advent candle, may we prepare in our daily lives, our homes, our schools, our work, that the light of Christ may be our guide, our strength, our hope and our joy. We welcome the light of Christ.

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

Adoration

During Advent we will have a period of adoration at St. Teilo's an hour before the 10am Mass on weekdays. This will enable us to give a period of time to the Lord in preparation for him to be born anew in us at Christmas. This week there will be Adoration from 9am until 9.55am on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

On Monday, December 9th, we celebrate the transferred solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, one of the great Marian Feasts of the Church. On this solemnity, 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.

Adoration for Our Families

On Monday, December 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.

Christmas Concert at St. Teilo's

On Tuesday evening, December 10th, at 7pm we have the Local Vocals community choir led by Mary Chichester, who is a member of the Parish, performing its Christmas Show. Tickets are £4 - For tickets contact Mary 07795371762. The charity for the evening is the Homeless.

General Election

Thursday is General Election day, the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has produced a statement reminding us of the key questions we should ask in making our decision before going to the polls. You can download, watch or listen to the statement at:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/2019-general-election-statement-and-bishops-plenary/>.

Advent Workshop: Let Biblical inspiration fire your imagination!



Come along and enjoy an oasis of calm to spiritually prepare for the joyous feast of Christmas. Facilitated by Teresa O'Driscoll, author of '9 Days to Heaven, How to make everlasting meaning of your life.' Examine biblical events using simple meditation, imagination and writing. These techniques can be reused throughout the year of The God Who Speaks and beyond to bring the Bible alive. The event takes place on Saturday, December 14th between 2 and 3.30pm in St. Teilo's church hall. All are welcome to attend this free workshop. For further information email Teresa on: teresa@teresadriscoll.co.uk

St. Teilo's Coffee Morning and Christmas Raffle Draw

Tickets for the raffle are now on sale. The draw will take place after the 11am Mass next Sunday, December 15th with mince pies, stollen, etc., mulled wine and tea and coffee. Everyone is welcome.

Christmas Raffle – Our Lady of Lourdes

The tickets for the annual Christmas Raffle are now on sale at the back of the Church after Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes. The draw will take place on the 20th of December and announced on Saturday, December 21st.

Collection for Christmas Flowers

There will be a retiring collection at all Masses next weekend for the Christmas Flowers in both Churches.

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 his/her 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.

APF-Missio

APF box holders at OLOL are asked to bring their APF boxes to the Church over the next two weeks. Maureen Coughlin will count the contents and then return them. To contact Maureen, ring: 029 2081 4006 and leave a message, or email: maureen.s.coughlin@hotmail.co.uk

Christmas Parish Lunch

Following the success of last year's Christmastime parish lunch, we have once again planned to hold a parish lunch at the Cornerstone in Charles Street, Cardiff on Sunday, January 5th at 1pm. We have negotiated a discounted price of £22.50 per person for the following menu: Chef's Winter Vegetable soup with Herb Croutons; Traditional Roast Turkey with all the trimmings; Traditional Christmas Pudding with Brandy Sauce. Tea/coffee will be given at the end of the meal free of charge. If you are interested, please put your name and telephone number on the sheet provided at the back of the churches.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Mass Times will be as follows

Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve

4:30 at St. Teilo's – Mass in Welsh – Offeren y Nadolig

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 – Msza w języku polskim

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 – Msza w języku polskim

12pm midday at Our Lady of Lourdes - Mass in Polish – Msza w języku polskim

First Holy Communion 2020

Preparation for First Holy Communion at St. Teilo's will start in January 2020. If you **live** in the parish and your child is in Year 3 or above and would like him/her to make his/her First Holy Communion in 2020, please complete an application form, that can be found at the back of the church and return it to Canon Isaac or Angela Jones. There is an expectation that if your child is enrolled on the Programme, (s)he will make her/his First Holy Communion at St. Teilo's.

Confirmation 2020

Confirmation will take place in the parish on Sunday, June 7th, 2020 at 11am at St. Teilo's. If you are in Year 8 or above and wish to be confirmed, please e-mail your details to: whitchurch@rcadc.org or speak to Canon Isaac after Mass.

Baptism Courses 2020

The next Baptism Course begins at St. Brigid's Church, Crystal Glen (in the sacristy, accessed beyond altar in church) on Wednesday, January 8th and completes on Wednesday, January 15th at 7.00 pm

Please email Ann Martin if attending: stevemartincardiff@gmail.com

The following course is here at St. Teilo's in the parish hall. It begins on Thursday, February 6th at 7pm and completes on Thursday, February 13th at 7pm. Please e-mail Cathy if you plan to attend:

cathyhopkins@sky.com

Collections for 30 th November/1 st December				
	OLOL 6pm	St T 9am	St T 11am	St T 6.30pm
Cash	82	179	160	147
Gift Aid	79	242	117	66

Confessions

Saturday: St. Teilo's - 10:30-11:00 am

LOLO - 5.15-5.45pm

Mass Times / Intentions Week Beginning 7th and 8th December 2019			
Saturday 7 th December Second Sunday of Advent	LOLO	6.00pm	For the People of the Parish
	LOLO	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sunday 8 th December Second Sunday of Advent	St. Teilo	9.00am	Val Glavin (JG)
	LOLO	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	11.00am	Private Intention
	LOLO	12.00pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	6.30pm	Well being of Gail (Birthday) Fr Jimmy Thomas – RIP
Monday 9 th December The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)	St. Teilo	10.00am	Terry RIP and Wellbeing of Cath (WJI)
Tuesday 10 th December St. John Roberts, Priest and Martyr	St. Teilo	10.00am	Terry O'Connell – RIP
Wednesday 11 th December	LOLO	7.00pm	Canon E. J. Mullins – RIP
Thursday 12 th December Our Lady of Guadalupe	St. Teilo	10.00am	William and Constance Fitzgerald (M&CR)
Friday 13 th December St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr	St. Teilo	10.00am	Tony Mullins Sidney John Magee – Anniversary
Saturday 14 th December St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church	St. Teilo	10.00am	Gerard Massy – Anniversary
Saturday 14 th December Third Sunday of Advent	LOLO	6.00pm	Vincent Milton – RIP
	LOLO	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sunday 15 th December Third Sunday of Advent	St. Teilo	9.00am	Mary Gallagher – Anniversary
	LOLO	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	11.00am	Gene and Edna Matthews and Jean and Peter Donovan – RIP
	LOLO	12.00pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	6.30pm	For the People of the Parish

Mass Attendance for 30th November/1st December			
LOLO 6pm	St T 9am	St T 11am	St T 6.30pm
51	226	137	95

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.