

ST. TEILO'S



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

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### Parish Newsletter



**Weekend 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

**Third Sunday of Advent**

**Gaudete Sunday**

**Today's Mass:** The Mass readings and prayers for the Third Sunday of Advent are on page 88 of the Mass Book.

#### Quote of the Week

'Father, creator and redeemer of mankind, you decreed, and your Word became man, born of the Virgin Mary. May we come to share the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share our human nature.'

**Opening Prayer Weekday of Advent**



#### Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

Today, the Third Sunday of Advent, is also called Gaudete Sunday. This name comes from the antiphon we use at Mass today. The antiphon, in Latin "Gaudete in Domino semper: iterum dico, gaudete" or in English "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice" has been used on this day since the ninth century. So today reminds us both of the joy of expectation of the coming of our Saviour at Christmas and of the traditions of our ancient faith which we continue to celebrate in our Mass today. In the spirit of the joy of expectation the Church marks today with rose-coloured vestments and we light the rose-coloured candle in our Advent Wreath.

#### Advent Wreath

Today we light the third candle of our Advent Wreath.

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

*As we light our third 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**

#### Collection for Christmas Flowers

There will be a basket for donations at the back of the Churches at all Masses this weekend for the Christmas Flowers in both Churches.

#### St. Teilo's Coffee Morning and Christmas Raffle Draw

The St. Teilo's Christmas draw will take place after the 11am Mass today. Please join us for the draw and for mince pies, stollen, etc., mulled wine and tea and coffee. Everyone is welcome.

#### Memorial Candle

The candle burning in front of the Book of Remembrance this week is for the repose of the souls of the Evans and Fritzsche Family. May they and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**Rest in Peace** - Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kathleen O'Sullivan, who died recently. Kath's body will be brought into St. Joseph's Church at 5pm on Monday December 16<sup>th</sup> and her Requiem Mass will take place at 12.45pm on Tuesday December 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Change of Mass Time** - Please note that Mass on Tuesday will be at the slightly later time of 11:00am. Adoration on Tuesday will be from 10am to 10:55am

### **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, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Adoration on Tuesday will be from 10am to 10:55am

### **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.

### **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 December 20<sup>th</sup> and announced on Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **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 the boxes. To contact Maureen, ring: 029 2081 4006 and leave a message, or email: [maureen.s.coughlin@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:maureen.s.coughlin@hotmail.co.uk)

### **Christmas Cards**

Parish Christmas Cards are available at the back of the Church. Many thanks to David Harris for agreeing to our use of his picture of the St. Teilo's Crib for the card.

Please take a card for yourself and take a number to deliver to family and neighbours who do not regularly come to Church. As usual, the cards have the Christmas Mass times for St. Teilo's and Our Lady of Lourdes. So please take this opportunity to share our faith by inviting others to come and celebrate our Saviour's birth at Christmas.

### **Ministries at Christmas Day Masses**

Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Offertory bearers are all needed for the Christmas Masses. If you are able to volunteer, please add your name to the list at the back of the Church.

### **Many Thanks for Fundraising at Our Lady of Lourdes**

Big thanks to Pat Kane and those who helped organise the very successful concert held recently at Our Lady of Lourdes. The event raised £1,030 for Tenovus Cancer Care. Pat would like to thank Lynda, Clare and Eileen for their support. Thanks also to Mary Chichester, St Mary's Primary School and JR Diaz for their musical contributions.

<b>Mass Attendance for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of December</b>			
<b>OLOL 6pm</b>	<b>St T 9am</b>	<b>St T 11am</b>	<b>St T 6.30pm</b>
78	133	110	94

## 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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

4:30pm 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 7<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto: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 8<sup>th</sup> and completes on Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Please email Ann Martin if attending: [stevemartincardiff@gmail.com](mailto:stevemartincardiff@gmail.com)

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

[cathyhopkins@sky.com](mailto:cathyhopkins@sky.com)

Collections for 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> of December				
	OLOL 6pm	St T 9am	St T 11am	St T 6.30pm
Cash	112	195	172	143
Gift Aid	137	200	203	34

## Confessions

**Saturday:** St. Teilo's - 10:30-11:00am and during Adoration on Monday and Saturday  
 OLOL - 5.15-5.45pm

Mass Times / Intentions Week Beginning 14 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2019			
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> December Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday	OLOL	6.00pm	Vincent Milton – RIP
	OLOL	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> December Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday	St. Teilo	9.00am	Mary Gallagher – Anniversary
	OLOL	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	11.00am	Gene and Edna Matthews and Jean and Peter Donovan – RIP
	OLOL	12.00pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	6.30pm	For the People of the Parish
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	St. Teilo	10.00am	Deceased of the Trisolini Family
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	St. Teilo	<b>11.00am</b>	Evans and Fritzsche Family
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	OLOL	7.00pm	Christopher Patrick J. Doherty - RIP
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	St. Teilo	10.00am	Tess Holcombe (JN)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	St. Teilo	10.00am	Reg Williams – RIP
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	St. Teilo	10.00am	Tessie Keane – RIP
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> December Fourth Sunday of Advent	OLOL	6.00pm	Beryl and Percy Harris – RIP
	OLOL	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December Fourth Sunday of Advent	St. Teilo	9.00am	Deceased Family and Friends (WW)
	OLOL	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	11.00am	Rev John Horn – RIP
	OLOL	12.00pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	6:30pm	For the People of the Parish

Please note that the list of our Faithful Departed whose anniversaries occur this week are pinned to the notice board at the back of the Church.

Please inform Canon Isaac of any sick or housebound parishioners who would like to receive Communion at home.