

ST. TEILO'S



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

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Parish Newsletter



Weekend 21st – 22nd December 2019

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Today's Mass: The Mass readings and prayers for the Fourth Sunday of Advent are on page 90 of the Mass Book.



Quote of the Week

"In the beginning was the Word: the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him."

John 1:1-3



Advent Wreath

Today we light the fourth candle of our Advent Wreath.

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

As we light our fourth Advent candle may the Lord Jesus Christ find us watchful in prayer and expectant in His praise. We pray 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**

Baptism at Mass

As we get ready to greet the birth of the Child Who is the Saviour of the world, we welcome a baby into the family of the Church today. Alexandra Winston will be baptised during the 11.00am Mass this morning. We congratulate Alexandra and her family.

Memorial Candle

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

Archdiocesan Directory and Yearbook 2020

The Archdiocesan Directory and Year Books are now on sale at the back of the Church. They are £3.20 each.

Christmas Parish Lunch

Today is the last day for people to sign up for the Christmas Parish Lunch. The parish lunch will be 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 wish to attend, please put your name and telephone number on the sheet provided at the back of the churches.

Adoration

Our Advent Adoration concludes this week. We have a period of adoration at St. Teilo's an hour before the 10am Mass on Advent weekdays. This enables us to give a period of time to the Lord in preparation for Him to be born anew in us when we celebrate Christmas this Wednesday. This week there will be Adoration from 9am until 9.55am on Monday and Tuesday.

Additional Opportunities for Confession

Canon will be available on Monday and Tuesday mornings during Adoration for anyone who wishes to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) before Christmas.

Cardinal talks about Art and Scripture for Advent and Christmas

As part of the 'God Who Speaks' initiative, Cardinal Vincent Nichols has visited the National Gallery in London to reflect on three devotional and dynamic paintings by different artists to bring to life their meaning for our times. In the second such painting the Cardinal offers his reflections on a tender nativity scene - perfect for Advent and Christmas - in which the darkness is illuminated by Jesus in the manger. The painting is by the Dutch artist Geertgen tot Sint Jans and is titled 'The Nativity at Night'.

You can see the Cardinal's video or read the text about 'The Nativity at Night' at:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/the-god-who-speaks/films-scripture-and-art/nativity-at-night/>

Ministries at Christmas Day Masses

Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Offertory bearers are all needed for the Christmas Masses. If you are able to volunteer and have not done so yet, please add your name to the list at the back of the Church.

Collection at Christmas Masses

The collection at all of the Christmas Masses is the Christmas Offering for our Parish Priest.

Christmas Greetings - Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year - Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda!

May I wish you and all your families the joys and blessings of knowing the bliss of welcoming the Christ Child into your homes at this happy and holy season.

Canon Isaac

Crib Collection

This year's Crib Collection will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society. This society continues the work of caring for children who are physically, mentally or spiritually vulnerable. The society offers counselling and therapy as well as material support to families in crisis. The society also undertakes post adoption support work and many other services.

Feast of St. Stephen – Calling all Altar Servers

The Feast of St. Stephen on Wednesday, December 26th, is an important day for all altar servers as it is the feast day of their patron. Canon invites all altar servers to attend Mass on the feast. Mass will be at St. Teilo's at midday. Altar Servers will renew their promises to serve on the altar. Family members are also encouraged to attend. There will be refreshments for the servers and their families in the Hall after Mass. If any parents would like their son or daughter to become servers, it would be good to bring them along to this occasion.

Mass in Welsh

Please note that, due to the Christmas Eve Mass in Welsh, there will be no Welsh Mass on the last Sunday of the month.

Jesus Heals – Healing ministry events in Barry and Newport

"Jesus Heals" is a healing ministry session in English which will be led by Fr. Jilto George C.M.I at St. Helens Church, Barry on Saturday, December 28th at 12:30-4:00 pm and in St. Marys Catholic Church Newport, on Monday, December 30th at 10:00am-1:00pm, which includes Healing Mass, Preaching and Healing Adoration. All are cordially invited to attend to experience the healing touch of Jesus Christ.

Cardiff Churches Nightshelter for the Homeless

From this month until March 2020 the Churches in the centre of Cardiff are collaborating to provide a Nightshelter for every night. We Catholics provide two of the seven churches in the rota. The rota is as follows:

- ◆ Monday: Grangetown Baptist Church, Clive Road (near Ikea)
- ◆ Tuesday: Capel Salem, Market Road, Canton (near Chapter)
- ◆ Wednesday: St. Mary of the Angels RC Church Hall, Talbot Street
- ◆ Thursday: Calvary Baptist Church, 134 Cowbridge Road East, Canton (opposite the Happy Gathering restaurant)
- ◆ Friday: St. Peter's RC Community Hall, St. Peter's Street (off City Road, Roath)
- ◆ Saturday: St. German's Church Hall, Star Street, Adamsdown (off Newport Road)
- ◆ Sunday: 7th Day Adventist Church, 71 Cowbridge Road East, Canton (close to Cathedral Road)

We have parishioners who already volunteer at St. Peter's but if any one else would be interested in helping please contact Rev. Phelim O'Hare on phelimohare@gmail.com or 2241 1229

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 7pm 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

Christ the King Catholic Primary School Applications 2020-2021 - The application process for Reception Class September 2020 opened on Monday, November 18th 2019. The closing date for applications is Monday, January 13th 2020. Application forms are available on the school website: <https://www.christthekingcathprm.co.uk/> or from the school admin team Tel: 029 2075 4787

Collections for 14 th and 15 th of December				
	OLOL 6pm	St T 9am	St T 11am	St T 6.30pm
Cash	102	199	265	109
Gift Aid	87	214	196	56

Confessions: St. Teilo's - During Adoration on Monday and Tuesday and Saturday - 10.30-11am OLOL Saturday - 5.15-5.45pm

Mass Times / Intentions Week Beginning 21st and 22nd December 2019

Saturday 21 st December Fourth Sunday of Advent	OLOL	6.00pm	Beryl and Percy Harris – RIP
	OLOL	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sunday 22 nd 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
Monday 23 rd December	St. Teilo	10.00am	Terry O'Connell – RIP
Tuesday 24 th December	St. Teilo	10.00am	John and Josephine Bending – RIP (RCB)
Tuesday 24 th December Vigil of Christmas	St. Teilo	4.30pm	Offeren y Nadolig Christmas Mass in Welsh
	OLOL	6.00pm	Vigil Mass Private Intention
Wednesday 25 th December The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Solemnity) – Christmas Day Holy Day of Obligation	St. Teilo	Midnight	Midnight Mass (with Carols from 11.30pm) For the People of the Parish
	OLOL	Midnight	Msza w języku polskim Midnight Mass in Polish
	St. Teilo	9.00am	Mass of Christmas Dawn George and Mary Allen
	St. Teilo	10.30am	Mass of Christmas Day All living and deceased members of the Searle and Maurice Families (P&CS)
	OLOL	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim Mass in Polish
	OLOL	12.00pm	Msza w języku polskim Mass in Polish
Thursday 26 th December St. Stephen, the First Martyr (Feast)	OLOL	10:30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	Midday	John Pryce-Jones (TP-J)
	OLOL	Midday	Msza w języku polskim
Friday 27 th December St. John, Apostle and Evangelist (Feast)	OLOL	10.00am	Mary Lewis Bob Stitfall – RIP (PT)
Saturday 28 th December The Holy Innocents, Martyrs (Feast)	St. Teilo	10.00am	Frank Colley (VD)
Saturday 28 th December The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Feast)	OLOL	6.00pm	Canon E. J. Mullins – RIP
	OLOL	7.15pm	Msza w języku polskim
Sunday 29 th December The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Feast)	St. Teilo	9.00am	For the People of the Parish
	OLOL	10.30am	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	11.00am	Pat and Tony Ward – Anniversary (SW)
	OLOL	12.00pm	Msza w języku polskim
	St. Teilo	6:30pm	Private Intention