



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

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Parish Newsletter



Weekend 7th and 8th August 2021 Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Antiphons for Today's Mass

Entrance Antiphon

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Response to the Psalm

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

A statement from the Catholic Bishops of Wales

Sunday – it is our Day

(St. Jerome, In Die Dominica Paschae II)

On Saturday 7th August, Welsh Government will complete the move to alert level 0 of the current legislative powers, which assist the mitigations against the Covid-19 virus transmission <https://gov.wales/coronavirus>:

- remove legal restrictions on the number of people who can meet indoors, including in private homes, public places or at events
- face coverings will remain a legal requirement indoors, with the exception of hospitality premises. This will be kept under review.

Nevertheless, there continues to be the encouragement to personal and corporate responsibility in this area; as the UK Prime Minister said recently “The pandemic is not over.” Even with this minimal legislation in place, the Church in England and Wales will be adopting a cautious approach to capacity and activity within our buildings, especially at corporate acts of worship.

We are mindful of the certain fact that the Covid-19 virus is still circulating in society. Vaccines provide genuine protection against the worst effects of the virus, yet we recognise the legitimate fear on the part of some who otherwise desire to gather for Holy Mass. As one with the Catholic Bishops of England, our continuing judgement therefore, is that it is not possible at the present time for all of the faithful to attend Mass on a Sunday, thus fulfilling their duty to God.

It is hoped that it will be possible for all Catholics in England and Wales to fulfil this most important Church precept, that of the Sunday Obligation, by the First Sunday in Advent 2021.

In the meantime, all Catholics are asked to do their best to participate in the celebration of the weekly Sunday Mass and to reflect deeply on the centrality of Sunday worship in the life of the Church.

In April, following our Plenary Assembly, the Bishops of England and Wales offered a reflection on the experience of the extraordinary long months of the pandemic. It was titled The Day of the Lord – <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2021/04/Day-of-the-Lord-220421.pdf>.

We also began to look at the way forward. We spoke about the important invitation to restore the Sunday Mass to its rightful centrality in our lives. We asked for a rekindling in our hearts of a yearning for the Real Presence of the Lord in the Eucharist, as our response to the total, sacrificial love that Jesus has for us. We said: “The Eucharist should be the cause of our deepest joy, our highest manner of offering thanks to God and for seeking his mercy and love. We need to make it the foundation stone of our lives.”

May this continue to be our striving during these coming months as we journey back to the full celebration of our Sunday Mass and our renewed observance of The Day of the Lord.

Sunday Masses

The parish has three Sunday Masses, the Vigil Mass at 6pm on Saturday, the 10am Mass on Sunday morning and a 6pm Mass on Sunday evening. There will be space for additional attendees from next Sunday. So that we have details for Track and Trace, you are still requested to book in advance if at all possible.

Bookings for all three Sunday Masses can be made via the parish’s online booking service - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/holy-mass-at-st-teilos-church-whitchurch-cardiff-tickets-114153754954> . Click on the red ‘Select a date’ button and select the date and time of the Mass you wish to attend. You can book for Masses for future weeks too. Booking closes 17 hours before the start of Mass, but with additional spaces it is possible for you to turn up for Mass without notice.

Weekday Mass Times

Mass this week is celebrated at St. Teilo’s at 10am on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There is no need to book to attend weekday Mass. Please note the change of Mass time from evening to morning on Wednesday due to an appointment Fr. John has to attend on Wednesday Evening.

Quote of the Week



“Something which has existed since the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our own eyes, which we have watched and touched with our own hands, the Word of life, this is our subject. That life was made visible; we saw it and are giving our testimony, declaring to you the eternal life, which was present to the Father and has been revealed to us.” – *1 John 1:1-2*



Catholic People

The August edition of the Archdiocesan Newspaper Catholic People is now available here – <https://rcadc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Catholic-People-August-2021.pdf>. In addition to the regular item of biblical inspiration from our parishioner, Teresa O’Driscoll, this month’s edition has reports on the recent celebration of Grandparents’ Day and two important articles about the Synodal Process in which the Church throughout the world, including our Parish, will be involved. One of the articles is by Canon Christopher Thomas, Secretary to the Catholic Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales and the second by Frank Callus, of St. Peter’s Parish, Chair of the National Board of Trustees of ACTA. Both articles consider the Synodal Process in our Archdiocese.

Congratulations

The Parish would like to offer its congratulations to Keith and Yvonne Burlington who celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on July 29th. The photograph shows them receiving flowers from Fr. John at their celebration Mass.



Many thanks to Barry Pooley for the beautiful flower arrangement and to Anthony Evans for the photograph.

Women in Scripture Podcast



The second of the series of 'Our God who Speaks' podcast from the Archdiocese of Birmingham is available. The podcast series celebrates the lives and influence of women in Scripture. Natalie Orefice presents a monthly podcast with dynamic women from across Birmingham Archdiocese, focussing on different heroines of the Bible.



The series began last month with Ruth, the wife of Boaz and ancestor of King David. This month the focus is on Abigail, the second wife of King David. The original episode is still available alongside the new episode.

The podcast series asks, "Who are these biblical women? What made them serve God so faithfully and what can they teach us today?" Each podcast is accompanied by extra reading and resources for those who hunger for more. Either click this link - <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/women-in-scripture> or if reading this on the paper newsletter please type the link into your browser to access the podcast.

Procedure for receiving Holy Communion

Please remember that when receiving Holy Communion, you should remove your mask/face covering from your mouth before arriving before the priest. Your arms should be at "full stretch" so that there is a good distance between the priest and yourself. Your hands, palms upwards, one on top of the other, should be extended **as flatly as possible** (please do not cup your hands) as you receive the Blessed Sacrament. You should then receive the Blessed Sacrament while in front of the priest, rather than while walking back to your place. Once you have received the Blessed Sacrament, please replace your mask/face covering.

Church Open for Silent Prayer – Monday and Friday

St. Teilo's will be open for private prayer on Monday and Friday from Mass time until 5.30pm. You are welcome to call in at any time, but please remember to remain six feet, that is two metres, away from other attendees who are not members of your own household. You will need either to 'Check-in' using the NHS Covid-19 app to log the QR code in the Church porch or to add your name and phone number to the sign in sheet. You are required to sanitise as you enter and leave the Church. You may remove your face covering if you are alone in the Church but if someone else is present you will need to wear your face covering.

Attending Mass

While restrictions are being lifted, we still need to consider the wellbeing of ourselves and others when we attend Mass. You are therefore requested to:

- only attend Mass if you are able to confirm that you currently show no symptoms of Covid-19.
- wear a face-covering/mask in Church at all times, except to receive Holy Communion.
- Arrive between 20 and 5 minutes before the start time of Mass.
- Wait for the door Steward to confirm your attendance and for Sunday Masses, tell you the seat to which you have been allocated.
- Use hand-sanitiser as you enter and exit the Church.
- Please allow a Steward to show you to your seat.
- **Please do not leave your seat to go and talk to other parishioners who may wish to use this time for prayer and reflection.**
- Please wait to be invited up to Holy Communion.

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has confirmed that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended until the First Sunday of Advent.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will resume at the start of the new school term in September. We will continue to publish the Children's Liturgy sheet on the parish website. You can access this week's Children's resource at this link – <https://stteilos-olol.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/B-08-August-Children.pdf> and the Family resource here – <https://stteilos-olol.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2-08-August-Family-Time.pdf>

Beda College Discernment Weekend - 3rd to 5th September 2021

The Pontifical Beda College in Rome, known colloquially as the Beda College, is intended for older men wishing to prepare for the Roman Catholic priesthood from the English-speaking dioceses of the world. The College Spiritual Director, Fr. Peter Verity, is running a discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 from Friday, September 3rd to Sunday, September 5th at St. Beuno's Spirituality Centre in North Wales. Attending the weekend is without commitment, so is open to those planning to study for the priesthood and for those between 30 and 55 who seek to discern God's plan for their life more clearly. Further information and registration forms are available at: <https://www.pathwaystogod.org/courses-events-retreats/discernment-weekend-older-men-1>

Rest in Peace



In your mercy, please pray for the repose of the soul of Kath Lloyd-Webb who was known to many parishioners. Kath was a very close friend of Canon Isaac and often visited him during his time at St. Teilo's

Please also pray for the repose of the souls of those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Fr. Patrick Gibbons, Mary Mays, David Minto, Susan Flook, Thomas Thomas, Patricia Stephens, James Donovan, Michael Driscoll, Eilena Williams, John O'Sullivan, Josephine Marquiss, John Driscoll, Catherine Gaffney, Josephine O'Callaghan, Maureen Chidgey, William Conway, Elizabeth Wells, Anne Hodgson, John Kelly, Jean Marie Bartlett, Ignatius Silva, Thomas Strange, Kathleen Carey, William Williams, Maureen Taylor, Julian Migward, John Evans, Marion Webb and Kay Collier.

Mass Times and Intentions week beginning 7th and 8th of August 2021			
Saturday 7 th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday 8 th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Fr. Ray O'Shea – RIP
	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	Holy Souls
Monday 9 th August St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Virgin, Martyr, patron of Europe – Feast	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Wellbeing of Fr. Chris Delaney (TC)
Tuesday 10 th August St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr – Feast	St. Teilo's	10.00am	John and Maureen Bending – RIP (RCB)
Wednesday 11 th August St. Clare, Virgin	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Private Intention
Thursday 12 th August	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Wellbeing of Chris Harris (RH)
Friday 13 th August St. Pontian, Pope, and St. Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Canon William Isaac – RIP
Saturday 14 th August St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest and Martyr	St. Teilo's	10.00am	In Thanksgiving (VD)
Saturday 14 th August The Assumption of Our Lady – Vigil Mass	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	Ellen 'Nell' Farrell – Anniversary (BMW-F)
Sunday 15 th August The Assumption of Our Lady – Solemnity	St. Teilo's	10.00am	For the People of the Parish
	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	Holy Souls

Confessions

Fr. John will be available for Confessions in the Parish Hall from 10.30am to 11am after Saturday Mass or at other times, on request.

Donations to the Parish

Donations last weekend amounted to £256.27.

Mass Attendance – Last weekend's Mass attendance was as follows:

Sunday 1 st August	6pm	19
	10am	40
	6pm	37