



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

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Parish Newsletter



Weekend 14th and 15th August 2021 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Antiphons for the Vigil Mass (Saturday Night)

Today's Mass

Entrance Antiphon

Glorious things are spoken of you, O Mary, who today were exalted above the choirs of Angels into eternal triumph with Christ.

Response to the Psalm

Go up, Lord, to the place of your rest, you and the ark of your strength.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary, which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

Antiphons for the Mass of the Day (Sunday)

Entrance Antiphon

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

Response to the Psalm

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Mary has been taken up to heaven; all the choirs of angels are rejoicing. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

All generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.

Covid-19 – Welsh Government guidance for Churches

At the time the newsletter is being written, the specific updated guidance for churches has not yet been produced by the Welsh Government. They hope to publish the information shortly. Meanwhile the Parish Safety Representative – Paul Doherty writes:

While the pews in Church have been returned to their original position and 'distancing regulations' have been eased in Wales, some of the practices to which we have been adhering here in Saint Teilo's will be continued as a transition to more 'normal practices' in September.

Please follow guidance on entry to the Church for the remainder of August.

More specific details will be given in next week's Newsletter.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Assumption is the oldest feast day of Our Lady but we do not know when it first came to be celebrated. The "Memory of Mary" was being celebrated from the fourth century. Later it was to become our feast of the Assumption, having become a great celebration in the churches of the Eastern Empire. In the seventh century, it began to be celebrated in Rome under the title of the "Falling Asleep" ("Dormitio") of the Mother of God. Soon the name was changed to the "Assumption of Mary," since there was more to the feast than her dying. It also proclaimed that she had been taken up, body and soul, into heaven.

On November 1st, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith: "We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul to heavenly glory." Thus, he solemnly proclaimed that the belief whereby the Blessed Virgin Mary, at the close of her earthly life, was taken up, body and soul, into the glory of heaven, definitively forms part of the deposit of faith, received from the Apostles. To avoid all that is uncertain, the Pope did not state either the manner or the circumstances of time and place in which the Assumption took place. He stated that only the fact of the Assumption of Mary, body and soul, into the glory of heaven, is the matter of the definition.

A Reflection on the Assumption



The God Who Speaks team has published a reflection by Amégée Olongo on the stained-glass window of the Assumption at the Jesuit Church in Farm Street, London. The stained glass, created by Evie Hone, was commissioned in honour of the Papal proclamation of the Assumption of Our Lady in 1950. You can read the reflection and see the image here -



<https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-god-who-speaks/focus/sacred-space/the-feast-of-the-assumption-a-reflection/>

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. Bookings for all three Sunday Masses should 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. Currently Saturday and Sunday Evening Mass have plenty of spaces, so if you are not able to book in time, you are able to attend as a 'walk-in' for these Masses. It is not practical to do so for Sunday 10am Mass at present.

Weekday Mass Times

Mass this week is celebrated at St. Teilo's at 10am on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday and on Wednesday evening at 7pm. There is no need to book to attend weekday Mass.

Quote of the Week



"If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him." – *John 14:23*



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/C-15-August-Children.pdf>, Please note that there is no Family resource this week as there is not one available for the Solemnity of the Assumption.

In Appreciation of Our Past Priests

On the Parish Council, we have discussed the idea suggested by some parishioners, to have a memorial statue and grotto in the garden for Canon William Isaac. After much discussion, many Council members thought it would be a good idea to build a grotto in the garden and buy a nice statue of Our Lady in memory of all the priests who have faithfully served at St. Teilo's and at Our Lady of Lourdes over the past many years. It is hoped that this will meet with the approval of all our parishioners.

Madeleine Walters - Chair of the Parish Council.

Catholic People

We mentioned last week that the August edition of the Archdiocesan Newspaper Catholic People is now available – <https://rcadc.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/Catholic-People-August-2021.pdf>. We failed to notice that the daughter of two of our parishioners, Cath and Dave Harris, Barbara Murphy, was the subject of the front page article based on her work in achieving the Gold Award from SAPERE P4C which highlighted St. Robert's School, Aberkenfig, for its outstanding commitment to and progress in Philosophy for Children (P4C). Congratulations go to Barbara for her outstanding work in this area at St. Robert's and in the wider network of schools.

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.

Mass Times and Intentions week beginning 14th and 15th of August 2021

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	Mark Searle – RIP (P&CS)
	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	For the People of the Parish
Monday 16 th August St. Stephen of Hungary	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Maisie Martin – RIP (TC)
Tuesday 17 th August	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Fr. Maurice Gallagher OMI – Anniversary (JG)
Wednesday 18 th August	St. Teilo's	7.00pm	Ken Lodwick – RIP
Thursday 19 th August St. John Eudes, Priest	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Canon Isaac – RIP
Friday 20 th August St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Holy Souls
Saturday 21 st August St. Pius X, Pope	St. Teilo's	10.00am	Canon Richard Byron – RIP
Saturday 21 st August Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time	St. Teilo's	6.00pm	Private Intention
Sunday 22 nd August Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time	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 in Church last weekend amounted to £597.91. Standing Orders for July amounted to £2,168.00 and Donations via Virgin Money in July amounted to £849.27. Many thanks to all parishioners for their on-going generosity to the work of the Church.

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

Sunday 8 th August	6pm	32
	10am	50
	6pm	37

Rest in Peace



Please pray for the repose of the souls of those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Fr. Noel Williams, Fr. Michael Murphy, William Brown, Monica Baldock, John Woodall, Charles Mullins, Eileen Taylor, Terry Barnes, Doris Gibb, Michael Morris, Pat Hodder, Winifred Kinsella, Constance Gaffney, Mary Wallace, Michael Reakes, Thomas Kelly, Maldwyn Hughes, Eileen Barker, Lucicune Newell, Margaret Rowland, Rita Boston, Margaret Simmons, James Driscoll and Cecil Canlan.

10th Anniversary of the Syrian conflict – how your donations have helped the Syrian people

Thanks to your donations, CAFOD has been helping people in Syria since the crisis began there 10 years ago. Over 12 million people have left their homes, 5.6 million are refugees in neighbouring countries and within Syria, 13 million people need help. Our latest projects are supporting children, lonely elderly people, helping women learn to read, and helping people restart their small businesses. We have always planned for the long term, standing alongside people who have lost everything. None of this work would have been possible without your support of CAFOD. Thank you.