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ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Times and Intentions of Holy Mass for the Coming week

Saturday 28th November ***Virgil of 1st Sunday of Advent , Year B***	**5:00pm** **5:30pm**	Confession Holy Souls
Sunday 29th November ***1st Sunday of Advent , Year B***	**10:30am** **11:00am**	*Confessions* Holy Souls
Monday 30th November		
Tuesday 1st December		
Wednesday 2nd December		
Thursday 3rd December		
Friday 4th December		
Saturday 5th December ***Vigil of 2nd Sunday of Advent***	**5:00pm** **5:30pm**	*Confession* Holy Souls
Sunday 6th December ***2nd Sunday of Advent***	**10:30am** **11:00am**	Confession **Holy Souls**

Please pray for those who are unwell :
Amy and Helen Tynan
Teresa Hay
Peggy Davies
Teresa Wilkes
Pat & Stewart Stradling
Teresa Thomas
John Biggs
Yolanda Bakare

Trish Quiruga

All in our Hospitals and care homes



RIP anniversaries :
Iorwerth Rees
Dean David 'Harry' Bignell
Jason Luke Jenkins
Vera Alberta Smith
Bernard William Crook
Ethal Evans
John Kelly
Kathleen Evans
Elizabeth Heinze
Frederick James (Jim) Price
Delia Phelan
Bruno Leonardi

The Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for the intentions of:



Our Lady's lamp is lit for the intentions of:



7 day Votive Lamps: If you would like a votive lamp lit for a particular intention, please complete one of the envelopes in the porch and post it in the presbytery. All proceeds to parish funds.

Last Weeks' Collections: **Main Offertory: ; Standing Order for September: £1850.14**

Bank Details are as follows: Account Name - Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia Parish of Carmarthen

Account Number: 02477521; Sort Code: 56-00-42

Many sincere thanks for your kind offerings **Thanks to all who give by Direct Debit.**

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Alyson Greening 07870702919
St. Mary's Primary School: Acting Head teacher Mrs. Hannah Corcoran 01267 234297
St. John Lloyd's Secondary School Llanelli: 01554 772589

Fr Solomon's Absence

Please be advised that Fr Solomon will be going on Holiday on 11th November 2026 and will return on 4th December 2026. During Fr Solomon's absence, Fr Carlito has graciously agreed to celebrate the weekend Masses. Additionally, please note that morning Masses will be paused while Fr Solomon is away and will resume upon return.

Legacy

As we enter the month of November, I kindly ask that we remember the soul of **Dennis Patrick Michael Power,** who left us a substantial sum of money in his will. May his contributions never be forgotten, and may his soul continue to rest in eternal peace. Amen.

Christmas Raffle 2026

Christmas Raffle 2026 - Raffle tickets have now all been handed out. Thank you to those who have already sold tickets and returned them to Claire. Could I ask that all stubs and money are returned to Claire (or Huw at Sunday mass) as soon a convenient, and no later than 6th December. Thank you for your kindness and support for this important Church fundraiser.

Red Box Return Notice

It is the time of the year when we return our Red Boxes. We kindly appeal to everyone who still has a Red Box in their possession to return it to the Church foyer between now and the end of October.
We sincerely appreciate your cooperation. Thank you.

St Gerard Majella

To mark the 300th anniversary of St Gerard Majella's birth, some relics are currently touring England and Wales with thanks to the Redemptorists.

They will visit St David's Cathedral, Cardiff on Wednesday 18th November. Arriving at 5:00pm for private prayer and devotion before Holy Mass at 6:30pm celebrated by Archbishop emeritus George Stack.

The Relics will also be at Aberystwyth on the evening of November 20th and all are welcome to attend.

An invitation to parish catechists

The Archdiocese, in collaboration with the **Catechetical Institute of Franciscan University**, has established a Catechist Formation Track to help catechists deepen their knowledge of the Catholic faith and grow in confidence and skill for their ministry. As part of the Archbishop's 'Heart speaks to heart' initiative current catechists are invited to take part in this valuable opportunity for ongoing formation, spiritual growth, and preparation to accompany others in their journey of faith. The Formation Track is completed at your pace from the comfort of your own home and you will be assigned a formation companion to accompany you on the journey. For information about the programme and enrolment, please contact Canon Michael Doyle or Fr Bernard Sixtus by emailing CI@cardiffmenevia.com.

Churches Against Labour Exploitation – Online Training

CSAN and FLEX are launching new training for anyone wanting to take action against modern slavery and for dignified work. Over four interactive online evenings from Wednesday 18 November, explore what drives labour exploitation and how the Church can stand with survivors, drawing on Catholic social teaching. All are welcome, but places are limited.

Book online: csan.org.uk/labourexploitation
Questions: fiona.ranford@csan.org.uk

Supporting your parish : Please consider completing a direct debit mandate, so you can make your offering via the bank, and the Gift Aid Form too, or alternatively place offertory donations in the collection at Mass. Thank you.