# EGLWYS GATHOLIG Y SANTES FAIR
# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Registered Charity No. 1177272*

## *Times and Intentions of Holy Mass for the Coming week*

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| Saturday 31st October<br>***Virgil of All Saints (Solemnity)*** | **5:00pm**<br>**5:30pm** | Confession<br>Intentions of Greg Lorriman |
| Sunday 1st November<br>***All Saints (Solemnity)-Retiring Collection for Sick and Retired Clergy*** | **10:30am**<br>**11:00am** | *Confessions*<br>**Osian– Birthday** |
| Monday 2nd November<br>***All Souls Day*** | **10:00am**<br><br>**5:30pm** | Holy Souls<br><br>Holy Father 's Intention |
| Tuesday 3rd November | **10:00am** | Unborn Babies & their mothers |
| Wednesday 4th November<br>***St Charles Borromeo, Bishop*** | **10:00am** | Holy Souls |
| Thursday 5th November | **10:00am** | Holy Souls |
| Friday 6th November<br>***Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*** | **10:00am**<br><br>**10:35am** | Holy Souls |
| Saturday 7th November<br>***Vigil of 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time, Yr A*** | **5:00pm**<br>**5:30pm** | *Confession*<br>Holy Souls |
| Sunday 8th November<br>***32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time, Yr A*** | **10:30am**<br>**11:00am** | Confession<br>**Blessing of Graves after Mass** |

***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



***The Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for the intentions of: Yolanda Bakare***



***RIP anniversaries :***
Beryl Shields
Annie Veronica Jones
Vincent Calmar Bateman
John O'Rourke
Terrence O'Hara
Mary Li (baby)
Maisie Gallagher
Jarzy Lister Spychalski
Elizabeth J Taylor
Margaret Elizabeth Canossini
Margaret Murphy
Annie Jones
Rosemary Ford
Veronica Harries
Rene Price
William Cyril Owens
Martin Childs

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



**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: £332.91; 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 Calito 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 - Claire has now handed out raffle tickets. Thank you to all the parishioners who have taken tickets to buy/sell to family and friends, in order to raise funds for our Church. If you have not yet had any tickets, please see Claire to get some - there are some great prizes on offer.

Thank you to all the parishioners who have kindly agreed to donate a prize, if you could please give these to Claire by early December in order for hampers to be made up in readiness for the draw.
We would also like to thank the following local businesses who have donated prizes: Blush Hair & Beauty Salon, Burke Contracts, Castell Howell, Red Lion (Llandyfaelog), Morrisons, Tesco.

### 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.**