



# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Saturday 30th April <i>Vigil—3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	11.00am 5.30pm	The people of the Ukraine Holy Souls
Sunday 1st May <i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	11.00am	Pro Populo ( <i>For the People</i> )
Monday 2nd May— <i>Bank Holiday</i> <i>St. Athanasius</i>	11:00am	Bishop Mark O'Toole
Tuesday 3rd May <i>Sts. Philip &amp; James</i>	NO MASS	
Wednesday 4th May	6.30pm	Greta's Family (Greata Mitchioci)
Thursday 5th May <i>St. Asaph</i>	11.00am	John Quinn RIP (Fran Smithson)
Friday 6th May	11.00am	No Intention Requested
Saturday 7th May <i>Vigil—4th Sunday of Easter</i>	11.00am 5.30pm	No Intention Requested Holy Souls
Sunday 8th May <i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	11.00am	Pro Populo ( <i>For the People</i> )

**Please pray for those who are unwell:**  
 Helen Tynan  
 Christine Rees  
 Tal and Cynthia Harries  
 Teresa Hay  
 Peggy Davies

Meenu Mol Antony  
 Mary Mitchell  
 Joe Hayes  
 Mgr Michael Lewis  
 Brandon Lynch

**RIP anniversaries:**  
 Charles Birmingham  
 Francisco Quiruga  
 Sheila Murphy  
 Dorilla Cunningham  
 Mary Oliver  
 Bridge Apps  
 Edward Jones  
 Timothy Fogarty

Tom Russell  
 Michael Burke  
 William Downey  
 Michael King

**The Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for the intentions of:**  
**The Suffering of Ukraine & Afghanistan**



**Our Lady's lamp is lit for the intentions of:**  
**Bishop Mark O'Toole**



**NICENO-CONSTANTINOPOLITAN CREED**  
 I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

### COVID-19 Guidelines are changing in Wales:

- ◆ **Please use hand sanitiser, if you can wear a face covering in the Church, and respect people's social distance as some are nervous of close contact. Let us help build people's confidence.**
- ◆ **The seating at the back 7 rows of the Church are NOT socially distanced, but the front 4 rows are. Thank you for your care and consideration of others.**

**Fr Phillip writes.....** We observe Lent for 40 days with fasting and penance, but we celebrate Easter for 50 days as a people brought to life through the Resurrection of Our Lord. We have so much to be grateful for and much to rejoice in! This week we rejoice at the announcement of a Bishop for our Diocese of Menevia. Bishop Mark O'Toole is given to us as an experienced pastor of souls ..... And he has many souls to care for! Please pray for him as he prepares to care for us all.

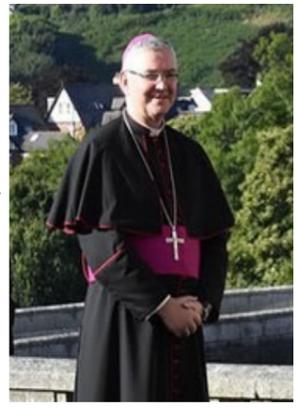


**Looking forward to Pentecost:** Our parish is truly blessed with a diversity of cultures, languages and nationalities, brought together in our faith—just like the early Christian community at the time of Pentecost. It would be fitting if we could celebrate this unity of backgrounds and culture as we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost by representing the different nationalities that make up our Community in the Mass, by showing the different nations and their flags, and by incorporating different languages into the Mass. After Mass on Pentecost Sunday, it would be a great celebration of the Birthday of the Church, if we could have a party in the Hall, with people bringing a plate of food representing their own homeland. **Please write your home country on the sheet in the porch** so that flags can be arranged, and please consider bringing a plate of food to the Hall for Pentecost Sunday. **If you are prepared to read a bidding prayer at Mass, please tell Fr Phillip.**

**Collection / offering envelopes:** are available from the porch for all who have kindly signed up for regular giving to support the parish. If you are able to give by standing order, that is even better—forms are available in the porch. Or if you do online banking, the parish details are.... DOM Carmarthen Parish, Natwest Bank, Sort Code 56-00-42, Account No 02477521. **Thank you!**



**Bishop Mark O'Toole Has been appointed as Archbishop of Cardiff, and Bishop of Menevia**  
 This means that our Diocese will keep its identity, rights and obligations, but it will share the person of the Bishop with the Archdiocese of Cardiff. May it be a time of grace, with closer cooperation and co-working across the area of South Wales and Herefordshire. Bishop Mark comes to us with a wealth of experience, and has been a bishop for over 8 years, serving as the Bishop of Plymouth. He was ordained a priest of Westminster Diocese, and has been Archbishop's secretary and Rector of Allen Hall Seminary. He will be Installed as Archbishop of Cardiff and Bishop of Menevia in Cardiff Cathedral on 20 June 2022, the feast day of Welsh martyrs Saints Julius and Aaron. Please keep him in your prayers, and may Our Lady of the Taper, St David and all the Saints of Wales intercede for him.



**Bishop Mark will be celebrating Mass in St Joseph's Cathedral on Bank Holiday Monday at 1:30pm, so if you would like to meet him, please come along.**

**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. The intentions will appear in the newsletter each week. All proceeds to parish funds.



**Fundraising CD of Ukrainian Chant:** Produced by the Archdiocese of Liverpool, to raise funds for the people of the Ukraine. 10 CD's available (sung by Ukrainian Seminarians, deacons and Liverpool priests and parishioners), with a recommended donation of £10 each. If you would like one, please see Fr Phillip.



**Last Weeks' Collections:** Main Offertory: £130.90 Maintenance Fund: £65.00  
 If you would like to make your offertory donation on line by BACS please contact the office for our bank details. Alternatively, there is a Standing Order form on our website if you wish to set up a regular payment to us. In the meantime all donations can be popped into the black post box on the table in the porch. **THANK YOU**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**  
**P. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**  
*C. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.*  
**P. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

**The prayer of Spiritual Communion**  
 My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

**Front Pews, please remain in your place for Holy Communion. Back Pews, please come forward when invited. Please remove your face covering before receiving Holy Communion, and extend your fully open hands, so you may receive without contact. Thank you.**

**Supporting your parish:** Please consider completing a direct debit mandate, so you can make your weekly offering via the bank, or alternatively place offertory donations in the black post box (on the table in the church porch) Thank you.

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