



# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## 2 Teaching vacancies at St Mary's Catholic School

The Governors and Acting Head Teacher are looking to appoint two highly motivated and enthusiastic teachers to join the Community of St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Carmarthen. Applicants will need to be dedicated and motivated team players, who will work to support and work to develop the Catholic ethos of our school community, while building on our recent academic and attainment driven success. The ideal candidates will have experience in delivering and furthering the Catholic, religious and moral values that are the foundation of our learning community, while enabling the children to grow and develop as valued members of our parishes and wider community.

A full job description and person specification, together with the CES application form are available from the Carmarthen-shire County Council website: <https://saas.zellis.com/carmarthenshirecountycouncil/wrl/pages/vacancy.jsf?latest=01010262>

**The closing date for applications is Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June.**

For an informal discussion, please contact Mrs Hannah Corcoran (Acting Head Teacher) Phone: 01267 234297 Email: [corcoranh1@hwbcymru.net](mailto:corcoranh1@hwbcymru.net)

### Do you have any of the "old" Paper Money?

The Banks will only change it for "new" style money for the next 95 days! Change it ASAP



### First Holy Communion will be on

**Sunday 10th July:** It is a day of great rejoicing for our parish family. This year we will have 24 children receiving Holy Communion for the First Time. This means the Church will be very full! If you would prefer to come to the Vigil Mass, this will make more room for the many visiting families.



### Tea and coffee after Sunday Mass:

Please sign your name, or your group to volunteer on the list in the porch. Diolch! **Many Thanks to all who have already signed up to help! Please consider volunteering in the free Sundays!**



*Fr Phillip writes.....* We have a Bishop! In a joyful celebration on Thursday, Archbishop Mark was installed as Bishop of Menevia. We ask God's blessing on him, as he has already made a huge effort to learn not only about the history and culture of Wales, but has made considerable progress in using the Welsh language to not only celebrate parts of the Mass, but also to preach! We look forward to Welcome Archbishop Mark to Carmarthen as he holds a meeting with all the clergy on the 19th of July. Please keep him in your daily prayers.

### Planning a funeral for a loved one:

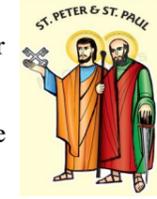
is not something we look forward to doing, however, it is inevitable that we will have to do this at some time. There are so many decisions to be made, and many options, and all along we want to do what we can to honour the wishes of the person who has died. One thing all of us can do is give some help and guidance to our families, to take the guess work of what we would like for our own funerals. This is of great help to grieving families trying to do the best they can to show love and honour us. These conversations are not something some families feel comfortable in having, so one option is to write down guidelines to help those we love plan our own funerals.



There are funeral planning leaflets in the Church Porch, that will help you do exactly this. If this is something that might help you and your families, please take one and read it, and fill it in—then keep it in a safe place so it can be found when needed. Also, if you attend Mass, and your faith is important to you, please let your family know you would like a Requiem Mass. It would be tragic not to have this, if your loved ones do not practice, and yet you do. If you need any help, please talk to Fr Phillip, who will be happy to give advice.

### Holy Day of Obligation on the Feast of St Peter and St Paul:

We are asked to come together to celebrate Mass as a community across the world, to unite as a people called to holiness, following in the footsteps of St Peter – called the "Rock" of the Church, and St Paul – its great missionary preacher. There will be Mass on Wednesday at 11:00am and 6:30pm. A happy feast to you all!



### 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.



### The Month of the Sacred Heart:

Different months in the year are focussed on different aspects and devotions in our Catholic faith, and the month of June is devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus - the fathomless depth of love Our Lord has for us. Now, more than ever, we need to remind ourselves of not only God's love for us, but also our need of that love. To focus our hearts on the Love of God, and the depiction of that love in the Sacred Heart of Jesus, is something that is of great help to us – it makes a substantial difference in times of need. This month, focus your mind while at prayer, on the love that streams from the Heart of Jesus, and allow that love to comfort you and be your strength. May this be a time of grace for all of us! Especially those who are suffering, and need support.



### 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.

"The Eucharist involves more than just receiving; it also involves satisfying the hunger of Christ. He says, "Come to Me." He is hungry for souls. Nowhere does the Gospel say: "Go away," but always "Come to Me." *St Teresa of Calcutta*

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

Saturday 25th June— <i>Immaculate Heart Vigil—13th Ordinary Time</i>	11.00am 5:00-5:20pm 5.30pm	Parents Confessions John Massey RIP (Valerie Murphy)
Sunday 26th June <i>13th Ordinary Time</i>	10:30-10:50am 11.00am	Confessions Pro Populo (For the People)
Monday 27th June <i>St. Cyril of Alexandria</i>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Funeral of Brigid Birmingham RIP</b>
Tuesday 28th June	NO MASS	
Wednesday 29th June <i>Sts. Peter &amp; Paul—Holy Day of Obligation</i>	<b>11.00am</b> <b>6:30pm</b>	<i>Mass with the Children joining us</i> Louie Bell RIP (O'Riordans Castle Farm)
Thursday 30th June <i>First Martyrs of Holy Roman Church</i>	11.00am	R.Dom Aidan Doyle OSB RIP
Friday 1st July	11.00am	No intention requested
Saturday 2nd July <i>Vigil—14th Ordinary Time</i>	11.00am 5:00-5:20pm 5.30pm	No intention requested Confessions Alan Chandler RIP (Valerie Murphy)
Sunday 3rd July <i>14th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	10:30-10:50am 11.00am	Confessions Pro Populo (For the People)

### Please pray for those who are unwell:

Mary Mitchell  
Mgr Michael Lewis  
Fr Paul Brophy  
Colin Riley

If you would like the name of a relative who is unwell added to our prayer list, please give their name to Fr Phillip

Amy and Helen Tynan  
Christine Rees  
Tal and Cynthia Harries  
Teresa Hay  
Peggy Davies

### RIP anniversaries:

Miriam Sullivan  
Marina Evans  
Mary Ellen Barry  
Sylvin Thomas Parsons  
Teresa Malloy  
Emily Downey  
Margaret Elizabeth Black  
Michael John Clarke

Alessandro Foschi  
Michael Crowley  
Primrose Evans

The Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for the intentions of:

Archbishop Mark



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

Wellbeing of Sandra Davies



**The Bishop's Conference of England and Wales:** are inviting all Catholics to return to the celebration of Mass in person, by being physically present in the Church building, as opposed to joining via livestream. Please encourage those who have not returned to Church as yet to come along, and give them the bishops letter (in the porch) to encourage them. Simply put .... **This means the obligation to go to Mass on Sundays and Holy Days is restored.**



### Second Collection Next Weekend: is for

**Peter's Pence**, as mandated by the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales. This fund is for the assistance of poverty around the world, and also to enable the Holy See to function in different countries—including the UK.



### Second Collection on 16th/17th July: is for

**The Apostleship of the Sea**, as mandated by the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales. This helps seafarers while away from home by chaplaincy services and practical means through material help and support.



**Last Weeks' Collections: Main Offertory: £374.71 Maintenance Fund: £179.50 Day for Life: £93.89**

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**

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Therese Passenger 079441 59039  
St. Mary's Primary School: Acting Head teacher Mrs. Hannah Corcoran 01267 234297  
St. John Lloyd's Secondary School Llanelli: Head Teacher Mr Ashley Howells 01554 772589

**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.