

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN
Archdiocese of Cardiff
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20th December 2020

4th Sunday of Advent Year B

Psalter Week 4

TO REGISTER AND RESERVE A PLACE TO ATTEND MASS

(PLEASE NOTE: YOU NEED TO BOOK YOUR PLACE EACH TIME THAT YOU WISH TO ATTEND)

Parishioners are required to register a place for **WEEKEND MASSES ONLY** with:

Paddy Landers for Our Lady's Church. Mobile (TEXT) 07740543645 email: patricia.landiers@sky.com Paddy will confirm you have been added to the list.

Clare Jones for St David's Church. Text: 07748687123 e-mail: jonesc36@sky.com If you wish to telephone, please do so after 6pm and leave a message. Clare will confirm that you have been added to the list.

Peter Olearczyk for Our Lady's and St David's Churches (**WEEKDAY MASSES ONLY**)

Mobile (TEXT) 07885835866 e-mail: peter@olearczyk.co.uk Peter will confirm you have been added to the list.

IF YOU ARE FEELING UNWELL PRIOR TO ATTENDING MASS, PLEASE STAY AT HOME AND DO NOT ATTEND CHURCH. PLEASE CONTACT THE PERSON THAT YOU BOOKED YOUR PLACE WITH SO THAT YOUR PLACE CAN BE RELEASED AND REALLOCATED.

CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR THE PARISHES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE: 4th Sunday of Advent

Today we are asked to pray for Rev Richard Aziati (Archdiocese of Accra) and parishioners of All Saints, Ebbw Vale and Ysbyty'r tr Cwm, Ysbyty Aneurin Bevan. All Saints Primary School.

During Advent and Christmastide: - we are asked to pray for **Expectant Mothers** - especially on 4th Sunday in Advent, 20 December.

Christmas Offerings

Traditionally, the Christmas offering is our gift to our Parish Priest. Christmas envelopes are available from the church porches; if you use another envelope please mark it Christmas Offerings. You can place your envelopes in the collection baskets in the porches or post through the Presbytery door at Our Lady's.

SEA SUNDAY

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. To donate, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. Stella Maris is dependent on voluntary donations, so please give generously. Thank you.

I wish everyone a Happy and Holy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year. Please keep well and safe. For those who are travelling over Christmas a safe journey.

*From
Canon John*

Live Stream Camera To view the live streams, you will need to use the link below. All live streams will be live and will not be available to be viewed at a later time. <http://www.ourladyoftheangels.org.uk/our-lady-live-stream/>

Saturday 19 th Dec	12.00 noon Reconciliation 5.00 pm	St David's St David's St David's	Baptism: Amelia Popkowska 4.15pm – 4.45pm Crying Room 4th Sunday of Advent Year B <u>SEA Sunday</u> Richard Hurley (TH)
Sunday 20 th Dec	9.30 am 11.15 am	Our Lady's St David's	The People of the Parish Betty Brennan (F); Dennehy family (J&KD); Fr Ambrose Walsh (MP)
Monday 21 st Dec	10.00 am 3.00 pm	Our Lady's Our Lady's	Thomas Dudman <u>Private funeral for Thomas John Dudman</u>
Tuesday 22 nd Dec	10.00 am	St David's	Thanksgiving – Morgan family (CM); Norina Moon (SVP)
Wednesday 23 rd Dec	10.00 am	Our Lady's	Jo Parlow (AB)
Thursday 24 th Dec	4.00 pm 6.00 pm 9.00 pm	Our Lady's St David's Our Lady's	<u>The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Solemnity)</u> Lee Davies (AD) The People of the Parish Brian Draisey
Friday 25 th Dec	9.00 am 10.30 am	Our Lady's St David's	<u>Christmas Day</u> The Griffiths & McElroy Family The People of the Parish
Saturday 26 th Dec	10.00 am	Our Lady's	Denis O'Brien (MO'B) <i>St Stephen First Martyr</i> NO EVENING MASS IN ST DAVID'S
Sunday 27 th Dec	9.30 am 11.15 am	Our Lady's St David's	<u>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Feast</u> The People of the Parish Bill & Margaret Dennehy

Requiescant in Pace

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of **Thomas John Dudman and John Charles Brown** who died recently and we extend our condolences to his families.

Parish Sick

We pray for the sick and housebound of our parish and for those who care for them and for those who have asked for our prayers, especially **Michael Evans, John Olearczyk, Philip Short, Joan Compton, Chris Mulcahy, Sean Gilgunn, Sr Denise, Brenda Bold, Margaret Kane, Fr Kevin, Canon Issacs, Bob French, Jennifer Woods, Amelia Smith, Wendy Flemming, Keith Shepherd and Malcolm Williams.**

Act now and ask your MP to oppose introducing assisted suicide

The assisted suicide lobby have launched a large campaign to put pressure on the Government to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide.

It is vital that it is clear to the Government that the public want them to continue to hold strong against this pressure from assisted suicide campaigners and reject their demands.

Right To Life UK have set up an easy to use tool which will enable you to email your MP asking them to make it clear to the Government that it should not give into demands from the assisted suicide lobby to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It only takes 30 seconds to email your MP by visiting the link below:

<https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide>

"Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son."

Here we enter a new stage of Advent: having spent so much time on the Second Coming, now we look back, to remember the details of the Lord's First Coming. Today we focus on the character of Mary, and hear of the angel Gabriel being sent to her, to invite her to take her part in the mystery of the Incarnation, 'the revelation of the mystery kept secret for endless ages'. This mystery springs from the House of David, and so we lead into the Gospel by hearing of the establishing of that house. An interesting idea is that the first reading talks of David wishing to build a house for the Lord; through the prophet he is told not of the house that he would build, but the House which is his line: eventually, in Mary (betrothed to Joseph) the House of David does itself become the house of the Lord, the womb wherein he has a dwelling place.