PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

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29th November 2026 **First Sunday of Advent** **Psalter: 1**

Saturday: *(Morning)*	**12.00pm**	**Our Lady's**	***Baptism of Otis Williams***
	1.30pm		**SVP Mass: + For the Deceased of the SVP Group**
	2.00pm	**Our Lady's**	SVP Over 60's Annual Christmas Party
Saturday *(Vigil)*:	4.15pm	**St David's**	*Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm*
	5.00pm		**Holy Mass**: **+ Marie Walsh (MH)**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Joyful Mysteries
Sunday: *1st Sunday of Advent (Year B)*	**9.30am**	**Our Lady's**	**Holy Mass: Sr Susan's Golden Jubilee (AB&DD)**
			After Mass: Tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room
	11.15am	**St David's**	**Holy Mass**: **+ Mr & Mrs Spiteri (TF)**
	2.30pm	**Llantarnam**	Blessing of Graves –Panteg Cemetery
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Glorious Mysteries
Monday:	9.10am	**Our Lady's**	Morning Prayer
	9.30am		**Holy Mass: + Gillian Anslow (JA)**
	10.30am	**St David's**	**Chair Aerobics, St Non's Room**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Joyful Mysteries
Tuesday:	**7.30am**	**St David's**	**Holy Mass + Michael Loughlin (MJ)**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Sorrowful Mysteries
Wednesday	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Glorious Mysteries
Thursday:	**9.10am**	**St David's**	**Morning Prayer**
	9.30am		**Holy Mass: + Michael and Hazel Keohane (CK)**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Luminous Mysteries
Friday:	**11.30am**	**St David's**	**Requiem Mass for Peter Day**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Sorrowful Mysteries
Saturday *(Morning)*:	**9.40am**	**Our Lady's**	***Morning Prayer***
	10.00am		**Holy Mass: +Bill and Margaret Gale (Family)**
			After Mass: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11.30am
			After Mass: Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11.30am
	12.00pm	**Our Lady's**	***Baptism Of Ayla Jones***
Saturday *(Vigil):*	4.15pm	**St David's**	*Sacrament of Reconciliation, until 4.45pm*
	5.00pm		**Holy Mass: + Marie Walsh (MH)**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Joyful Mysteries
Sunday: *2nd Sunday of Advent (Year B)*	**9.30am**	**Our Lady's**	**Holy Mass: + Rose and Jack Clifford (MW)**
			After Mass: Tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room
	11.15am	**St David's**	**Holy Mass: + Richard Griffiths (MVM)**
			After Mass: Tea and coffee morning in St Non's Room
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Glorious Mysteries

Please note change to Mass Time

Mass Intentions: *At time of printing, the earliest available dates for Mass intentions are:*
Saturday (5:00pm Vigil): 13th March 2027; **Sunday OLA (9:30am):** 7th February 2027;
Sunday SD (11:15am): 31st January 2027; **Weekday**: Monday 11th January 2027

From Fr. Daniel – I would like to say a huge thank you for all of the messages, cards and gifts that I received for my fortieth birthday! I am very moved and touched by you love and generosity. I had a lovely day, a fun family celebration, and a day full of surprises. Happy Advent to everyone! God bless, Fr Daniel

Parish News

Parish Live stream: Just to make everyone aware the sanctuary is always being live streamed.

PLEASE NOTE: The Sacristy is a place for preparation and prayer. Father will be unavailable to meet with anyone 10 minutes before Mass as he takes the required time to prepare himself.

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: Ann Pitchforth, Iverna Ward, Chris Mulcahy, Fr Kevin Paine and Caroline Paine, Imelda Smith, Malcolm Williams, Terry Mahoney, Michael Barry, Diane Pearce, Rose James, Paul Taylor, Doreen Whatley, Robert Hayton, Jim Sheehy, Christine O'Shea, Teddy, Lois Terry, Lily Farr, Monica James, Charlie Davies, Brian Moon, Janet Gleeson, Elaine Woolfall, Betty Small, Pauline Loughlin, Louise Fitzgerald, Andrew Morgan, Angela Davies, Rozalia Grimas, Mary Evans, Helen Powell, Alfie Franklin, Derek Ford, Carole Morgan.

Requiescant in Pace - Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of: Peter Day, and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Advent 2026

Advent marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. As well as being a time of new beginnings, Advent is a time of expectation and preparation, where we await the second coming of the Lord, as well as His immediate coming at Christmas. It is this 'longing' and 'expectation' which distinguishes it from other seasons of the Church's year.

Building the Nativity Scene - During this season of Advent we will gradually build the Nativity scene in our two churches. As we do so, the nativity scene "is like a living Gospel rising up from the pages of sacred scripture". I invite you to keep making a visit to the crib and enter into the scene.

Bambinelli Sunday - Pope John Paul II instituted the celebration of Bambinelli Sunday on the **Third Sunday of Advent,** a day on which children from Rome bring to St. Peter's Square the figurine of the Christ Child from their families' Nativity sets. I invite you to bring the figures of the Child Jesus from your Nativity Scenes at home to Mass over the weekend of the Third Sunday of Advent (12th and 13th December) for them to be blessed during Mass.

Parish Carol Service - Our annual Parish Carol Service will take place on Friday, 11th December at 6:00pm at St. David's Church, followed by refreshments in the St. Non's Room. Our Carol Service will be supported by the choirs of our primary schools.

Reverse Advent Calendar – We invite you to take part in our Reverse Advent Calendar in support of the Foodbank. Every weekend in Advent, we invite you to add a non-perishable food item or essential household product to the box in front of the altar. These items will make a real difference to some of the most vulnerable people in our community.

The Angelus

V/ *The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:*
R/ **And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.**
Hail Mary…
V/ *Behold the handmaid of the Lord:*
R/ **Be it done unto me according to Thy word.**
Hail Mary…
V/ *And the Word was made Flesh:*
R/ **And dwelt among us.**
Hail Mary…
V/ *Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,*
R/ **that we may be made worthy**
of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.
Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord.

Parish Diary

For a full list of Events: ourladyoftheangels.org.uk/event

Tuesday 8th December- Tuesday Club Christmas Party.

Friday, 11th December – Parish Carol Service at St. David's Church, beginning at 6:00pm. Followed by refreshments in the St. Non's Room.

St David's Fundraising

Tickets will be available for the Christmas Raffle from this weekend in both Churches and will be drawn at the Carol Service on 11th December. Please put the money into the envelope and place in the box provided. There are wonderful prizes and as always, we thank you for your generosity. Many Thanks, Lynne Roberts.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve (Thursday, 24th December)

4:00pm – Family Mass (OLA)
6:00pm – Family Mass (SD)
9:00pm – Mass of the Night (OLA)

Christmas Day (Friday, 25th December)

9:00am – Mass of the Dawn (OLA)
10:30am – Christmas Mass of the Day (SD)

No evening Mass

Deanery Advent Reflection Service

Friday 4 December at 6.30 pm at **Our Lady & St Michael's RC Church, Abergavenny**. Amid the busyness of the weeks leading up to Christmas, why not take a little time to pause, reflect and pray together? This is a lovely opportunity to come together as a wider parish family, renew friendships and make new ones. Why not invite someone from your parish to come along with you or arrange to share a lift? Refreshments will be served afterwards.