PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

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22nd November 2026 **Solemnity of Christ the King** **Psalter: 2**

Saturday:	9.40am	**Our Lady's**	Morning Prayer
(Morning)	**10.00am**		**Holy Mass: Holy Souls**
Christ King			*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 Florence Prosser***
Saturday	3.00pm	**Goetre**	Blessing of Graves – Goetre Cemetery
(Vigil):	4.15pm	**St David's**	*Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm*
	5.00pm		**Holy Mass**: **+ Biddy Reardon (JW)**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Joyful Mysteries
Sunday:	**9.30am**	**Our Lady's**	**Holy Mass: + Antony O'Brien (CO'B)**
Christ the King			*After Mass: Tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room*
	11.15am	**St David's**	**Holy Mass: + Robert French (TF)**
	2.30pm	**Old Cwmbran**	Blessing of Graves – Old Cwmbran Cemetery
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Glorious Mysteries
Monday:	9.10am	**Our Lady's**	Morning Prayer
	9.30am		**Holy Mass: + Michael Loughlin (SVP)**
	10.30am	**St David's**	**Chair Aerobics, St Non's Room**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Joyful Mysteries
Tuesday:	9.10am	**St David's**	Morning Prayer
Ss. Andrew Dung-Lac	**9.30am**		**Holy Mass + Maria Cataldo (SVP)**
and Companions	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Sorrowful Mysteries
Wednesday	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Glorious Mysteries
Thursday:	**11.00am**	**Swansea Cathedral**	**Deceased Clergy Mass:** St Joseph's Cathedral Swansea
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Luminous Mysteries
Friday:	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Sorrowful Mysteries
Saturday	**12.00pm**	**Our Lady's**	***Baptism of Otis Williams***
(Morning):	**1.30pm**	**Our Lady's**	**SVP Mass: + For the Deceased of the SVP Group**
	2.00pm	**St Anne's Room**	SVP Over 60's Annual Christmas Party
Saturday	4.15pm	**St David's**	*Sacrament of Reconciliation, until 4.45pm*
(Vigil):	**5.00pm**		**Holy Mass: + Marie Walsh (MH)**
	8.00pm	**Facebook Live**	**Holy Rosary:** Joyful Mysteries
Sunday:	**9.30am**	**Our Lady's**	**Holy Mass: Sr Susan's Golden Jubilee (AB&DD)**
1st Sunday of Advent			*After Mass: Tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room*
(Year B)	**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

SVP Christmas Party - The SVP is holding its annual Christmas Party on Saturday 28th November. Mass will be at 1:30pm Our Lady's followed by the Party in St Anne's Room. Come and join us to get into the Christmas spirit, you'll meet the SVP & Minnie Vinnies from both junior schools. Following Mass there will be a buffet lunch and soft drinks and you can bring your own alcohol. The Party is fully funded by SVP members to show our gratitude to the Parish for their support and generosity. Please put your names on the list in the Porch so that we can collect numbers by this weekend, so we know the final numbers.

Annual Deceased Clergy Mass – takes place at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Swansea this Thursday. During this Mass we remember all the clergy of our diocese who have gone before us. We remember, especially, the clergy who supported our parish so faithfully.

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.

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.

De Profundis

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord hear my voice! O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchmen for daybreak. Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord. Because with Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption; Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

V. *Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord.*
R. And let perpetual light shine upon them
V. *May they rest in peace*
R. Amen

Let us pray.
O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful; grant to the souls of your servants departed the remission of all their sins, that by our pious supplication they may obtain that pardon which they have always desired; who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Parish Diary

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

Tuesday 24th November- Tuesday Club guest speakers Clare and Adele, topic is Mary Frost.

Saturday 28th November- SVP Annual Over 60's Christmas Party in St Anne's Room.

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 and will be drawn at the Carol Service on 11th December. There are wonderful prizes and as always, we thank you for your generosity. Many Thanks, Lynne Roberts.

Food Bank

Lots of food etc and £125 cash delivered to the Food Bank this week. Next collection will be on the weekend of 12th and 13th December. As this will be the last one before Christmas there is a special request for things that could be classed as seasonal treats e.g. chocolate items, but the usual items will also be greatly appreciated. Thanks again for your generosity.

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