


FINANCIAL MATTERS— WREXHAM DIOCESAN TRUST
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Thank you for last weeks collection of **£1,730.30** which consisted of
Gift Aid Envelopes **£605** Gift Aid standing orders **£472.38** loose plate **£652.92**

Last week's donations for the **FLOOR OF THE CATHEDRAL £45.00**



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LOOKING AHEAD:

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| 6th May | Afternoon Tea Garden Party at Bishops House 2:30 - 5 pm |
| 9th May | The Ascension of the Lord 12 noon |
| 10th May | Race Night at St Mary's Catholic Club. Race start at 7:30pm, BBQ at 6pm |
| 18th May | Mystagogia Mass 12 noon |
| 19th May | Pentecost 10:30am and Confirmation 3:00pm |
| 16th June | Wrexham Kerala Community (WKC) Malayalam Mass at 3:00 pm |
| 28th June | Mass for Legal Profession at 7 pm |
| 7th July | WKC Malayalam Mass at 3:00 pm (Feast of S. Thomas) |
| 15th September | Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows |
| 5th October | Parish Makhēl Mass at 12 noon |

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NB: The secretary is in the office from Tuesday to Friday, from 9:30am to 2:30pm.



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE
PUMED SUL Y PASG
28TH APRIL 2024

LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND EVENTS — SUNDAY

Coedpoeth 9:00 am (*People of the Parish*)

Cathedral 10:30 am (*Fr Martin Chambers R.I.P.*)

7:00 pm (*People of the Parish*)

The Cathedral is open daily from 9:00am to 4:00pm for private prayer unless stated otherwise.

PSALTER WEEK I SUNDAY READING CYCLE B

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| MONDAY 29th April | ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, PATRON OF EUROPE (FEAST) Mass 9:00 am (<i>Ricardo Dela Cruz R.I.P.</i>) |
| TUESDAY 30th April | Weekday, 5th Week of Eastertide Mass 12 noon (<i>Charles Dennis Francis R.I.P.</i>) |
| WEDNESDAY 1st May | St Joseph the Worker Mass 12 noon (<i>Agnes Rayappu R.I.P.</i>) Coedpoeth 6:00 pm (<i>People of the Parish</i>) |
| THURSDAY 2nd May | St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (<i>memorial</i>) Funeral Mass for John Alfred Wright at 11 am |
| FRIDAY 3rd May | STS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES (FEAST) Mass and Exposition 9:00 am (<i>Herbert Rees Hughes - Memorial Mass</i>) |
| SATURDAY 4th May | Weekday, 5th Week of Eastertide International Mass at 12 noon <i>Confessions 10:30 am - 11:30 am & 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm</i> |
| SUNDAY 5th May | 6th Sunday of Eastertide - Chweched Sul Y Pasg Coedpoeth Mass 9:00 am Cathedral Mass 10:30 am & 7:00 pm |

The Pope’s Intention: Let us pray that men and women religious and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR “B”

“I am the Vine, you the branches.”

This statement describes a relationship between Jesus and us. It is a relationship of intimacy, intensity and interiority, a relationship that demands an abiding; an abiding that never ends, for it begins here in this world in time and continues in the next world in eternity. The people of Palestine were familiar with vine growing. That is why Jesus uses the vine as imagery to teach these important lessons in today’s Gospel. Jesus talks about his relationship with his Father and his disciples using this imagery of the vine and its branches. We are part of the new vineyard, but we shall be able to grow and bear fruit only if we remain in Christ, the source of our life. As the branch abiding in the vine bears fruit, when we abide in Jesus our lives become fruitful. This is the secret of fruitfulness. Just as the vine is the life source of the branches, Jesus is our life source. We must learn to depend on Him and to draw from Him our life sap and strength. If we sever ourselves from Jesus we are like the branches of the vine that wither. “The branch of the vine is suitable only for one of two things: either the vine or the fire” (St Augustine). Abiding in Jesus the Vine and being pruned by God the Father, the Vinedresser, our lives begin to bear fruits of joy, love, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. As disciples of Jesus, we are invited to abide in him, to be part of him and to produce fruits in abundance.

LOST PROPERTY

A mobile phone was found on the parish car park and handed in to the Presbytery Office.

MISSIO -- RED BOXES In 2023 our Parish raised **£1694.41** through our Red Boxes and people giving directly via Direct Debits, cheques and online. Thank you! Our missionary community here in the Cathedral Parish, is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. (<http://www.missio.org.uk/>). If you would like to know more or would like a RED BOX, please contact Pat Walters (01978755717)

Eucharistic Minister who is no longer using their PIX could they please return it to the Presbytery as new ministers are in need of them. **Thank you** for your cooperation and the work that you did.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 23rd to 30th July 2024
This year’s diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from **Tuesday 23rd to Tuesday 30th July** (7 nights), flying direct from Liverpool to Lourdes. Poster and booking form with all details are available on parish website and in the porch. Bookings are to be made through Joe Walsh Tours on Freephone 0800 1890468 or www.joewalshstours.co.uk

NOTICE

- 1. **Next First HOLY Communion meeting this Saturday 27th from 10 - 11am**
- 2. **Refreshments after 10:30 am Mass only on 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month!**
- 3. **This Sunday 2nd collection - Church Students Fund - 21st April**

CATHEDRAL EVENTS
PLEASE JOIN US FOR GARDEN PARTY AND RACE NIGHT! YOUR SUPPORT IS MUCH NEEDED, ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS CATHEDRAL FLOOR FUNDS. TICKETS / RACE SHEETS AVAILABLE AFTER SUNDAY MASSES & FROM PRESBYTERY TUESDAY- FRIDAY 9:30-2:30PM



CAFOD: A Year of Encounter

With a UK general election due sometime this year, politicians will be looking for our votes. We have a responsibility as Catholics to make sure that parties commit to tackling issues such as poverty and injustice. Raising our voices and contacting parliamentary candidates as a parish community will send a strong signal to those standing for election in our local constituencies. A Year of Encounter is a joint initiative between CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), equipping Catholics to ask key questions of local candidates at the key moments. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter for more information, including an online session on Saturday 4th May to learn more.

African Pilgrimage to St Winefride’s Shrine

in Holywell on 26th May with Holy Mass at 2pm which Bishop Peter will celebrate. See notice in the porch.

Welsh National Pilgrimage
to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Taper, Cardigan. Sunday, May 12th. Led by Rt Rev Peter Brignall the Bishop of Wrexham. Pilgrimage Programme and further information contact details displayed in the porch and on the parish website.

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 16th June 2024.

£899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights’ in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

PLEASE PRAY

- ♦ . . for our sick, elderly and housebound of the Parish, the patients of Wrexham Maelor Hospital, Nightingale House Hospice and the sick clergy of the Diocese.
- ♦ . . for the repose of the souls of all who have died recently, and all those whose anniversary is around this time; Mary Alice May, Dr Denis Stephen Ryan, Ronald Francis Bonner, Patrick Michael Brannan, Rachel Rita McGovan, Agnes Rayappu, David Richard O’Keefe, Ana Martins Loureiro, George Arthur O’Connell, Dorothy Jean Partington.