#### FINANCIAL MATTERS - WREXHAM DIOCESAN TRUST REGISTERED CHARITY No. 700426

Thank you for last weeks collection of £1,573.54 which consisted of Gift Aid Envelopes £299.33 Gift Aid standing orders £566.77 loose plate £707.44

Last week's donations for the CATHEDRAL FLOOR REPAIR £0.00



#### "World Mission Sunday"

This year is on 20th October. On this day the whole Church unites in prayer for its missionary activity, and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world experiencing situations of poverty and conflict. 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet!' is this year's theme chosen by Pope Francis. In his message, the Holy Father reminds us that the heart of our mission is to invite everyone to experience the joy of Christ's resurrection, a gift meant to be shared with the whole world.

Everyone deserves to know that they are welcome at God's table – to experience God's love, grace and forgiveness. Donations and prayers on this day have a direct impact on Catholic communities overseas where the Church is too young, too small, or too poor to flourish without help from the rest of the Church. Our donations help to sustain faith communities, support vocations, and enable missionaries to carry out their mission in often dangerous and remote places. This day of prayer, solidarity, and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love which has the power to transform lives and heal our world. Thank you for your ongoing support of Missio through prayer and charity. A retiring collection at the end of all Masses (Sunday 20th). For more information about World Mission Sunday, please visit https://missio.org.uk/wms

#### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

1st November All Saints Mass at 12noon

2nd November All Souls Mass at 12noon

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



# Saint Mary's Cathedral, Wrexham Cadeirlan Y Santes Fair, Wrecsam



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# 29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Y NAWFED SUL CYFFREDIN AR HUGAIN **20TH OCTOBER 2024**

#### LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND EVENTS — SUNDAY

Coedpoeth 9:00 am (Thanksgiving for 40 years of Marriage) Cathedral 10:30 am (People of the Parish)

3:00 pm St Richard Gwyn Pilgrimage Mass

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

Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29 MONDAY

Mass 9:00 am (Maria, Manuel, Luis, Capela, Dulcinea, Daddi, Rumi and all 21st October

deceased family and friend)

**TUESDAY** Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29

22nd October NO PARISH MASS

**WEDNESDAY** Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29

Mass 12 noon (Flora & Fredrick Wedding Anniversary) 23rd October

Coedpoeth Mass 6:00 pm (People of the Parish)

**THURSDAY** Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29

24th October Mass 12 noon (Repose of soul of Sr Eileen Fitzpatrick H.F. R.I.P.)

**FRIDAY** THE SIX WELSH MARTYRS AND THEIR COMPANIONS (FEAST)

25th October Mass 9:00 am (Mary Anne French R.I.P. - Foundation Mass)

**SATURDAY** Weekday in Ordinary Time, Year II, Week 29 Mass and Rosary 9:00 am (Rita Jones R.I.P.) 26th October

Confessions 10:30 am - 11:30 am & 5pm - 6pm

30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - Y DEGFED SUL CYFFREDIN AR HUGAIN SUNDAY

Coedpoeth Mass 9:00 am 27th October

Cathedral Mass 10:30 am & 7:00 pm Syro-Malabar Mass at 3:00 pm <u>The Pope's Intention:</u> Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

#### 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

In the Old testament, we have the image of a God who is Omnipotent, Omnipresent, and Omniscient. But in the New testament the picture is reversed. We find a God not up in heaven as Lord over the world, but a 'powerless' God in the person of Jesus, right here on earth in our midst. The Old Testament images for God: 'King' and 'Mighty One' are shunned by New Testament writers. Jesus is not power-hungry and does not want his disciples to be so. It is surprising to note that the disciples, even after having lived with Jesus and after having listened to his teachings, continue to think and behave only from a human perspective. James and John, despite the teaching of Jesus to renounce everything and to follow him, seek places of privilege and prestige in his kingdom; the other disciples, notwithstanding the repeated exhortation of Jesus to love without conditions, perhaps wanting these positions for themselves, express their anger and angst against James and John. Hence, the episode narrated in the Gospel of today invites us to transcend our old ways of thinking and to grow in virtues which are in tune with the Gospel. Taking advantage of the situation, Jesus imports important lessons to his disciples on leadership and discipleship. According to the teachings of Jesus, leadership and discipleship involve suffering and service. No disciple can come to 'glory' without taking part in the passion and death of Jesus. The leader is a brother or a sister among brothers and sisters. Therefore, the mission involves: suffering, selfsacrifice and servanthood.



# October Month of the Rosary

Do pray the Rosary (Mary's special prayer) ideally every day - but, at least, as often as possible - a great source of strength.

#### Marian Voyage 2024

Mariyan Voyage is a Jesus Youth UK initiative that takes place every year during the month of October. The blessed statue of Our Lady will travel throughout the various parts of the country where there will be continuous 24hrs rosary organised by the local area Jesus Youth. This year Our Lady is coming to our cathedral on 25 October for the morning Mass and thereafter for a short prayer and blessings by father.

### **NOTICE**

- 1. Refreshments after 10:30 am Mass only on 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month! (6th & 20th October)
- 2. This week 2nd Collection 20th October World Mission Sunday

#### St Richard Gwyn: Man of Maelor, Martyr of Wrexham

Richard Gwyn was born at Llanidloes, Montgomeryshire, about 1537; and was executed at Wrexham, Denbighshire, 15 October, 1584. He studied at St John's College, Cambridge, until 1562, when he became a schoolmaster, first at Overton in Flintshire, then at Wrexham and other places, acquiring considerable reputation as a Welsh scholar. He had six children by his wife Catherine, three of whom survived him. For a time he conformed to the new religion, but was reconciled to the Catholic Church when priests first came back to Wales. Owing to his refusal to attend church (recusancy) he was arrested more than once, and in 1579 he was imprisoned in Ruthin gaol, where he was offered liberty if he would conform. In 1580 he was transferred to Wrexham, where he suffered much persecution, being forcibly carried to the Church of England service, and being frequently taken to court at different assizes to be continually questioned, but was never freed from prison; he was removed to the Council of the Marches, and later in the year suffered torture at Bewdley and Bridgenorth before being sent back to Wrexham. There he remained a prisoner till the Autumn Assizes, when he was brought to trial on 9 October, found guilty of treason and sentenced to be executed. Again his life was offered him on condition that he acknowledge the queen as supreme head of the Church. His wife and one of their children were brought to the courtroom and warned not to follow his example. She replied that she would gladly die alongside her husband; she was sure, she said, that the judges could find enough evidence to convict her if they spent a little more money. She consoled and encouraged her husband to the last. He was executed on 15 October 1584. On the scaffold he stated that he recognised Elizabeth as his lawful queen but could not accept her as head of the Church in England. He was canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1970 as one of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales.

## Praying with St Dominic, $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ November 2024

This retreat explores the life and faith of St Dominic de Guzman, founder of the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans), whose objective was to continue safeguarding the Catholic faith. His Marian devotion and the place of the rosary in Christian prayer will be a special focus of this retreat preached by Fr Lawrence Lew, OP. For more information and to register, click here <a href="https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/praying-with-saint-dominic/">https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/praying-with-saint-dominic/</a>

#### 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; William 'Denis' Walsh, Baby Leo Potorski, Elizabeth Ellen Wainuright, Catherine Ann Breese, Vedet Doreen Jones, Brigid Hanrahan, Rose Anne Edwards, Barbara Joan Lounsbury, Irene Williams, Derek James Butler, Mary Margaret Simmonds, James Farrell, Anne Williams, Neville Vincent Edwards.