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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YR UNFED SUL CYFFREDIN AR HUGAIN
24TH AUGUST 2025

LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND EVENTS - SUNDAY

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

Cathedral 10:30 am *(People of the Parish)*

7:00 pm *(Carol Heffey R.I.P.)*

The Cathedral opening times will vary for private prayer.

PSALTER WEEK | SUNDAY READING CYCLE C

MONDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Week 21
25th August	Mass 9:00 am <i>(Marian Eluned Thomasine Thomas R.I.P. - Foundation Mass)</i>
TUESDAY	St David Lewis, Priest, Martyr
26th August	Mass 12 noon <i>(Family Szymanski, Rutkowski, Sliwa Intention)</i>
WEDNESDAY	St Monica
27th August	Mass 12 noon <i>(Mary Anne French R.I.P. - Foundation Mass)</i> Coedpoeth Mass 6:00 pm <i>(People of the Parish)</i>
THURSDAY	St Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
28th August	Mass 12 noon <i>(Richard Thompson R.I.P. - Foundation Mass)</i>
FRIDAY	The Passion of St John the Baptist
29th August	Mass 9:00 am <i>(Jean Marshall R.I.P. - Foundation Mass)</i>
SATURDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Week 21
30th August	Mass and Rosary 9:00 am <i>(Bea Towey R.I.P. - Memorial Mass)</i> Confessions 10:30am - 11:30am & 5:00pm - 6:00pm
SUNDAY	22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - YR AIL SUL CYFFREDIN AR HUGAIN
31st August	Coedpoeth Mass 9:00 am Cathedral Mass 10:30 am & 7:00 pm

The Pope's Intention:

For mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C:

This Sunday, the church reminds us of the reunion of all God's people at the feast of His Kingdom. It is not only Jews and Christians that the Lord will gather unto himself. He will also gather people from all nations, all those willing to submit to his loving care. The readings of this Sunday, especially the first and the Gospel, are closely related. Both bare a powerful message of hope. That is the reunion and restoration of the people of God. The first reading is a prophecy about the return of God's People to Jerusalem. It is an assurance that God will fulfil his promises to us. Here, the prophet makes three essential points. The first is that God will soon fulfil his promise of restoring us to himself. He will surely do this to show his saving power. The second is the fact that God has a purpose for this gathering. This is the glory of his name. In other words, every work he does has the remote aim of giving glory to him. Third, in addition to gathering us unto Himself, God will also make us his ambassadors to other nations. The second reading from Hebrews reminds us that obedience and discipline will help us respond and effectively return to the Lord. In today's Gospel, Jesus answers a challenging and tricky question: Sir, will there be a few saved? He replies, "Try your best to enter by the narrow door!" So, rather than occupy oneself with arguments about the number of those to be saved, it is better to work hard for one's salvation.

This weekend (24th August) - Poor Parishes Fund Collection

This fund provides help to those parishes in our Diocese whose building or repair expenses would be too much for them without help from the rest of us. There are appropriate envelopes in your boxes of offertory envelopes. Please use them. Any cheques should be made payable to "Cathedral Account" - Please do your best.

**Next Sunday
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, 'Year C'
readings are:**

- First reading: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29
- Psalm: 68(67):4-5ac. 6-7b. 10-11.
- Second reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a
- Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

You are encouraged to look at this readings ahead of next Sunday.

**CONFESSIO -
SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION
*only on
Saturdays***

NOTICE

1. **Refreshments after 10:30 am Mass on 1st and 3rd Sunday next month (3rd and 17th August)**
2. **Next second collection this Sunday 24th August: Poor Parishes Fund**

SAVE THE DATE AND BE A PART OF THIS EXTRAORDINARY CELEBRATION

In just under 4 weeks we will gather to celebrate our 'Makhēl' Mass. We hope it will be a really joyful occasion. It's a wonderful way of embracing our diversity and unity and continuing to build and strengthen our Church community. During Mass we will experience the beauty of prayers and songs from diverse communities in their native languages. This will be followed by an exciting line-up of cultural programmes and a delightful array of international cuisines afterwards in WREXHAM MEMORIAL HALL (between Waterworld and the Magistrates Court). Parking is available at the Memorial hall and you may wish to park there as there will only be parking for the clergy and blue badge holders at the Cathedral.

We warmly invite you to join us for this and encourage you to wear your national dress.

However we need your support to make this event a grand success, your contributions and engagement are most welcome and essential.

Anyone interested in volunteering to help in any way e.g. help decorate the Church, decorate the Memorial Hall, bring/help serve food, ...please tell Carol, Sarah, Arlene or Bindu.

Alternatively you can message Carol Bayliss 07730 813847 or carol.bayliss@uwclub.net or leave a message at the Presbytery.

Sacramental Preparation Programme at St Mary's Cathedral for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2025/26

Open to children of families who are registered as members of St Mary's Cathedral Parish and who regularly attend Mass at the Cathedral or Coedpoeth. Children must be baptised Catholics and be in School Year 3 as a minimum. Parents will need to provide proof of Baptism. Registration for the programme will take place at a meeting for parents in late September - date to be advised. Children/Families will need to commit to attending a regular series of preparation meetings which will be on Saturday every two weeks from October 2025 to June 2026. The dates of meetings are still being finalised but will be made available through newsletter and website by the middle of September. Children must collect a Passport which they must bring to each Mass to record attendance. Passports will be available after each Sunday Mass over the next few weeks

"Come and See"

You are warmly invited to *A Day of prayer, reflection, sharing and growth* at St Beuno's Jesuit Spiritual Centre on Saturday, 13th September from 10am to 4:30pm.

Retreat at Loreto Convent

12th to 14th September, to book your place or for more information email: ritawilkinson18@gmail.com

Mass Intention Requests

Please use **Mass Offering envelopes** which you can find in the porch. Fill in all required information and return either: with you weekly offertory; thorough the letterbox or give it to clergy after Mass.

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; Iris May Williams, Elizabeth Mary Josephine Butler, Francis George 'Frank' Watmore, Ellen Angela Pritchard, Blodwyn Burke, Paul Fahey, Helena Vale, Anna Viktoria Letocha, Michael Howells, John Lopez, Ursula Joan Sarsfield, Maxine Elizabeth Peterson, Hilary 'Gerald' Kearns, Terence Langan.

FINANCIAL MATTERS - WREXHAM DIOCESAN TRUST
REGISTERED CHARITY No. 700426

Thank you for last weeks collection of **£1,444.17** which consisted of
Gift Aid Envelopes **£299.33** Gift Aid standing orders **£520.04**
loose plate **£577.80** DONA machine **£47.00**



Last week's donations for the **CATHEDRAL FLOOR REPAIR £181.11**

Car Park Camera is now LIVE

Please enter your car registration when visiting the Cathedral Church. Car park is restricted to the use of people who attend the Mass and private prayer; people who work at the church and for Parking Permits only.

Steps to register your car on the Intelli-Park monitor: put your registration number, press NEXT, check your registration number and press Yes, it's correct, press REGISTER!

N.B. Parish secretary is **unable to CANCEL** parking permits. Please appeal to UKPC. Instructions are at the back of parking charge, second paragraph *Contesting this Parking Charge*. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



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LOOKING AHEAD:

1st September	Funeral for Mr Mervyn Lanyon at 12.00 noon
7th September	Grandparents' Day - Loreto Spiritual Centre
13th September	Makhel Mass
September	Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

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NB: Parish Secretary is away from the office until Tuesday, September 2nd inclusive.