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2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT
AIL SUL YR ADFENT
7th December 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 (*All Souls*)

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

PSALTER WEEK 2 SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

MONDAY 8th December	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (solemnity) Mass 9.00 am (<i>Andrzej, Alicja, Grzegorz Szymanski Intention</i>)
TUESDAY 9th December	2nd Week of Advent Mass 12 noon (<i>Henry Foster R.I.P.</i>)
WEDNESDAY 10th December	2nd week of Advent Mass 12 noon (<i>Marian Eluned Thomasine Thomas R.I.P. - Foundation Mass</i>) Coedpoeth 6.00 pm (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
THURSDAY 11th December	2nd Week of Advent Mass 12 noon (<i>Mary Foster R.I.P.</i>)
FRIDAY 12th December	2nd Week of Advent Mass 9.00am (<i>Giovanni B & Chiarine Cargius R.I.P.</i>) <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 4.00pm - 5.30pm</i>
SATURDAY 13th December	ST. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr Mass and Rosary 9:00am (<i>Marian Eluned Thomasine Thomas R.I.P.</i>) <i>Confessions 10:00am - 11:30am & 5:00pm - 6:00pm</i>
SUNDAY 14h December	3RD WEEK OF ADVENT - (GAUDETE SUNDAY) TRYDYDD SUL YR ADFENT Coedpoeth Mass 9:00am Cathedral Mass 10:30am & 7:00pm

The Pope's Intention:

For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A, 7TH DECEMBER 2025

'PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT.'

This Sunday's readings focus on preparing for Christ's coming. They are full of hope, inviting us to reflect on our relationship with God. Isaiah foretells a future leader from the house of Jesse, pointing to Jesus: filled with the gifts of the Spirit, he will judge with righteousness. Isaiah uses beautiful natural imagery to express the peace and knowledge of the Lord that this king will bring to all the world. The Psalmist echoes these themes of peace and justice, portraying a king who brings peace and protection to all nations, and especially to the poor and needy. St Paul prays that the Scriptures will give encouragement and hope to Christ's followers (Second Reading). He urges us to live in harmony and unity with God and with one another, so that all peoples might glorify God. In the Gospel, John the Baptist preaches repentance in anticipation of the coming of Christ: 'he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.' John calls the people to leave their sinful lives and turn towards God, baptizing them with water. He tells of the need to bear fruit: real faith that shows in our actions. As Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee year, we continue to pray for those treated unjustly, and all who live in

Jubilee Year 2025 - A Day of Pilgrimage, Dolgellau

Ss Beuno and Garmon Vicariate have organised a Mass and other activities to mark the end of the Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope. This will take place at the Church of Our Lady of Seven Sorrows in Dolgellau (LL40 1LR) on Thursday, 11th December from 12noon. It is open to all who would like to attend. See the Poster in the Porch.

Next Sunday

3rd Sunday of Advent 'Year A'

readings are:

- **First reading:** Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
- **Psalm:** 146(145):6c-7. 8-9a. 9b-10.
- **Second reading:** James 5:7-10
- **Gospel:** Matthew 11:2-11

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

Advent Penitential Service

On Friday 19th December at 6pm here in the Cathedral, with number of priests available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation ("Confession")

A Night of Song

The Flint Ladies' Choir invites you to *A Night of Song* on Tuesday 16th December here at St Mary's Cathedral at 7pm
Under 14's FREE
Tickets available on the door £10

NOTICE

1. Refreshments after 10:30 am Mass on 1st and 3rd Sunday next month (7th and 21st December)
2. Mass cards will be available from next week.



ST MARY’S CHRISTMAS FAYRE & RAFFLE DRAW



St. Mary’s Christmas raffle fayre and draw will be held next Sunday (Gaudete Sunday) 14th December in the Church Hall from 10.30-1.30pm and we hope it will be a really joyful community celebration.

Everyone is most welcome so please come and join us. There will be a variety of stalls including books, jigsaws, homemade cakes, sweets and chutneys. There will be a tombola and light refreshments also available.

Please ensure that all sold and unsold raffle tickets are returned to the Presbytery by Friday lunchtime (12th December) at the latest.

Parking will be available at the back of Allington Hughes, Grosvenor Road and outside Howatson & Partington (next to Cats Protection shelter)

We look forward to seeing you

Youth group meeting announcement

There will not be any Christmas carol singing on Sunday, December 14th, due to the need for support at our Christmas Fair. Youth group members, Y8 and older, are needed to volunteer at the Christmas fair.

**St Mary’s Catholic Club
Christmas Party**

Friday 12th December 2025

Starts 7.00pm to 11.00pm

Tickets are £5 per person

Entertainment, games and a raffle.

All are welcome

Contact 01978 261387 or

07922 609044

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

**The SVP/Family Friends
Present Tree**

Please bring your gift here by Tuesday 9th December at the latest, unwrapped but bagged and tagged. Leave them on the rug before or after Sunday Mass, or at clergy house. Family friends will collect them this week and the children will receive them at their party on the 14th.

Once again, Many Thanks!



PLEASE PRAY

- ◆ . . for our sick including Vicky Cameron, 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; Valerie Sullivan, Joanna Christine Yoxall, Mrs Domingas Gohes Fernandes, Mr William Joseph Dean ‘Billy’, John James, Margaret Ann Owen, Annie Marie Monk, Bernard Parkinson, Lilian Campbell, Roland ‘George’ McCarthy, Elfed Llewelyn Roberts, Monsignor George Nightingale, John Denis Vickers, Mona Breen, David John Griffiths, James ‘Jim’ Colbert, Sarah Ann Bettley, Merion ‘M’ Hughes, Mary Margaret ‘Peggy’ Jones, Veronica Pamela Clubb.

FINANCIAL MATTERS - WREXHAM DIOCESAN TRUST
REGISTERED CHARITY No. 700426

Thank you for last weeks collection of **£1,923.75** which consisted of
Gift Aid Envelopes **£495.00** Gift Aid standing orders **£520.04**
loose plate **£736.71** DONA machine **£172.00**



Last week's donations for the **CATHEDRAL FLOOR REPAIR £250.67**

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:

16th December	A Night of Song - The Hint Ladie's Choir 7pm, Tickets £10
19th December	Advent Penitential Service 6.00pm
24th December	Christmas Eve
25th December	Christmas Day
26th December	Boxing Day

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NB: Parish Secretary is in the office next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30am and 2:30pm.