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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
SUN CYNTAF YR ADFENT
30TH NOVEMBER 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 *(Margaret O'Neill & Marie Kelly R.I.P.)*

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

PSALTER WEEK | SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

MONDAY	1st Week of Advent
1st December	Mass 9:00am <i>(Deceased members of the Brown family R.I.P.)</i>
TUESDAY	1st Week of Advent
2nd December	Funeral Mass for late Mary Agnes Foster R.I.P. at 12 noon
WEDNESDAY	St Francis Xavier, Priest (memorial)
3rd December	Mass 12 noon <i>(Morgan & Gwilym Pritchard R.I.P. - Foundation Mass)</i> Coedpoeth NO MASS
THURSDAY	1st Week of Advent
4th December	Mass 9:00am <i>(Marian Eluned Thomasine Thomas R.I.P. - Foundation Mass)</i>
FRIDAY	1st Week of Advent
5th December	Mass 9:00am <i>(Wendy Heneghan R.I.P.)</i> <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 11:00am</i>
SATURDAY	Weekday in Ordinary Time, Week 34
6th December	Mass and Rosary 9:00am <i>(Marian Eluned Thomasine Thomas R.I.P. - Foundation Mass)</i> <i>Confessions 10:00am - 11:30am & 5:00pm - 6:00pm</i>
SUNDAY	2ND WEEK OF ADVENT - AIL SUL YR ADFENT
7th December	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.

'MARANATHA: COME, OUR LORD!'

Today marks the beginning of the new liturgical year and the season of Advent, a time of watching and waiting, of longing and preparation for the Lord. In the readings for the first Sunday of Advent the prophet Isaiah presents a vision of a peaceful world, where weapons of conflict are turned into tools to rebuild communities, as people grow together in God's love, complemented in the Psalm by a reminder to look to the Lord for guidance on how to live in unity, peace and joy. Paul urges the community in Rome to wake up; abandon thoughts and behaviour that keep God in the dark, and to live in the light of his love. He is direct and uncompromising, but reassuring that God's salvation is as attainable. This theme of awakening features again in the Gospel, where Jesus calls on people to 'be ready' for God's salvation by living in love and faith using examples of the dramatic events of Noah and the flood, the image of workers in the field and at the mill and that of unexpected thieves breaking into a house. The aim of these images is to highlight that God is constantly inviting us to follow his example in all that we do. During Advent, we are invited to ponder the overarching message of being 'ready' and reflect on how we might cast off old habits that keep us in the dark and walk in the light and hope of God's eternal love.

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

1st Sunday of Advent 'Year A'
readings are:

- **First reading:** Isaiah 11:1-10
- **Psalm:** 72(71):1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17.
- **Second reading:** Romans 15:4-9
- **Gospel:** Matthew 3:1-12

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.



ST MARY'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE & RAFFLE



St Mary's Christmas Fayre on Sunday

14th December (Gaudete Sunday) in the Church Hall from 10.30 - 1.30pm, alongside our Christmas Raffle draw. It promises to be a joyful celebration of our community, everyone is warmly welcome.

Raffle tickets for the Christmas raffle are now available after Sunday Masses, and also the Presbytery during office hours (9.30-2.30 Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday). Please take as many books you feel you can sell to friends and work colleagues too, any unsold can be returned.

Information boards where you can sign to pledge a raffle prize are in the Cathedral porch, and will be at Coedpoeth for 9am Mass this Sunday (30th November) before returning to the Cathedral.

Please leave any donations for the fayre- games, books, jigsaws and gifts for 'rehoming', jams, chutneys, 'good as new' unwanted items and donations for the tombola (bottles, toiletries, chocolates etc)-at the Presbytery. Cakes can be brought to the Church hall on Saturday afternoon -13th December. Thank you.

Proceeds from both events will go towards repairs and renovations to our Cathedral.

The SVP/Family Friends Present Tree



The Tree has been replaced by the sparkly gift rug. Please leave you gifts there, at Masses, unwrapped but bagged and tagged, and we will pass them on to Family Friends.

Gifts can also be left at Clergy House.

Once again, Many Thanks!

RED BOX HOLDERS:

FINAL CALL!

I will be completing the end of year return shortly. If you would like your red box emptying please contact Pat Walters

PLEASE CONSIDER GIFT AIDING!

REMEMBER THAT, AS A UK TAX PAYER, A QUARTER OF ALL YOUR DONATION MONIES ARE REFUNDED TO ST MARY'S PARISH BY HMRC.

PLEASE SIGN DECLARATION, COLLECT WEEKLY ENVELOPES FROM THE OFFICE AND SUPPORT YOUR PARISH !

You can find Gift Aid declaration on parish website and in the church porch.

You can make your donations through weekly envelopes, monthly standing order or by a cheque payable to the Cathedral Account.

A reminder to pray the Jubilee Prayer

As we continue our journey through this Jubilee season, we gently remind you to pray the Jubilee Prayer, which has been included in our parish bulletin for quite some time. It is a powerful reflection of our shared hope, faith, charity and mission as Pilgrims of Hope.

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; Freda Rebecca Wright, Sheila Maria Howell, Abilio Fernandos Leite, Debra Ann Wright, Leslie Humphreys, Alfred Altard, Goiseppe Di Giacomo, Margaret Columba, Jan Wawrzczak, Raymond Smith, Anne McPaul, Baby Tommy Sebastian Angel Quinn, Edward Brindley, Stella Dorothy Eve Foster, Irene McKay, Baby James 'Jimmy' Pio Berry, Gary Cash, John McCafferty, Sr Margaret Mary Foster.

FINANCIAL MATTERS - WREXHAM DIOCESAN TRUST
REGISTERED CHARITY No. 700426

Thank you for last weeks collection of **£1,241.81** which consisted of
Gift Aid Envelopes **£92.00** Gift Aid standing orders **£520.04**
loose plate **£526.27** DONA machine **£103.50**



Last week's donations for the **CATHEDRAL FLOOR REPAIR £115.00**

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.