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3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT
TRYDYDD SUL YR ADFENT
14th December 2025

LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND EVENTS - SUNDAY

Coedpoeth 9:00 am (*People of the Parish*)
Cathedral 10:30 am (*All Souls*)
7:00 pm (*Ann Jones RIP*)

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

PSALTER WEEK 3 SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

MONDAY 3rd Week of Advent
15th December Mass 9.00 am (*Carole Bryan RIP*)

TUESDAY 3rd Week of Advent
16th December Mass 12 noon (*Vince Brown RIP*)

WEDNESDAY 3rd Week of Advent
17th December Mass 12 noon (Migrants and Refugees intentions)
Coedpoeth 6.00 pm (*People of the Parish*)

THURSDAY 3rd Week of Advent
18th December Mass 12 noon (Expectant Mothers intentions)

FRIDAY 3rd Week of Advent
19th December Mass 9.00am (*People of the Parish*)
Penitential Service 6pm

SATURDAY 3rd Week of Advent
20th December Mass and Rosary 9:00am (*People of the Parish*)

SUNDAY 4TH WEEK OF ADVENT PEDWERYDD SUL YR ADFENT
21st 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.

Third Sunday of Advent: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice

Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday in the liturgy and the readings is filled with the message- the gift of Joy - bringing us closer to our celebration of the birth of Jesus. The lighting of the third (pink) candle increases our symbolism of the coming of the Light of the world and the mounting anticipation and expectation as the day draws nearer, we experience a combination of expectation and anticipation of the gift of the Joy of Christ's birth. His coming will bring an end to all sorrow and mourning as we read in the extract from Isaiah, because through Christ will come salvation and new life. However as we hear in the reading from James the call for us is not only to be ready for his arrival but using the image of the farmer tending his crops with care and attention we need not only to look for the signs of his coming but also requires from us both patience and openness of eyes and ears.

John in the Gospel seeks confirmation in his waiting that the Messiah is truly amongst us. On this third Sunday of Advent and during this coming week, let us whilst eagerly receiving the Lord's lifegiving and transformational grace, have the strength and courage to blossom abundantly in all the areas of our life and also to be bringers of joy, life and consolation to those who are feeling bowed down by the burdens of life.

Bishop Edwin's 90th Birthday: Bishop Edwin will be turning 90 on New Year's Eve. At the suggestion of Bishop Peter, this parish will offer Mass on that day for his intentions. Those who wish to make a donation on this occasion may send it to the Curial Office, and it will be forwarded in due course. Please note that this is entirely optional. Greeting cards can also be sent to the Curial Office, clearly marked for the attention of Bishop Edwin. Alternatively, if anyone prefers to send greetings or donations directly, Bishop Edwin's address can be found in the Year Book

Next Sunday

4th Sunday of Advent 'Year A'
readings are:

- **First reading:** Isaiah 7: 10-14
- **Psalm:** Ps 24(23):1-2. 3-4b. 5-6.
- **Second reading:** Romans 1:1-7
- **Gospel:** Matthew 1:18-24

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

Advent Penitential Service

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

NOTICE

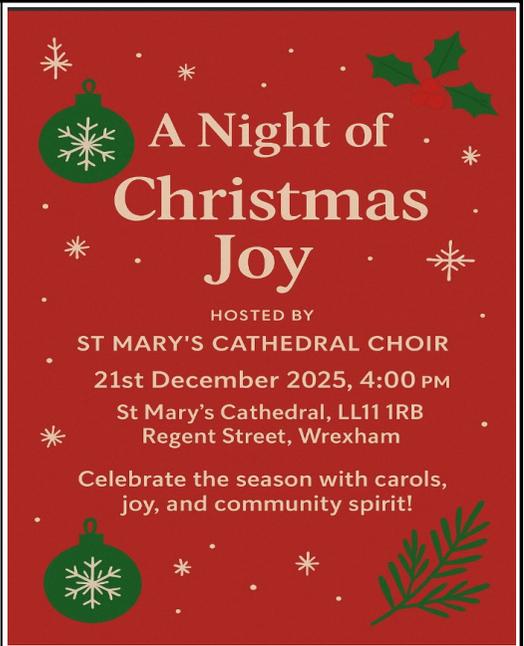
1. Refreshments after 10:30 am Mass on 1st and 3rd Sunday next month (7th and 21st December)
2. Mass cards are now available, please take one after Mass on Sunday.

Crib Offerings

The following two charities will be the recipients of the Crib Offerings:

'**Depaul UK**' whose work is grounded in the teachings of St Vincent de Paul. His vision – rooted in compassion, dignity, and putting words into action – inspires them to help young people move out of homelessness and towards a brighter, more secure future. <https://www.depaul.org.uk/winterappeal> Registered Charity Number 802384,

And, with an awareness of the ever increased suffering piled upon the people of the Palestinian West Bank, the **Bethlehem Care and Hospice Trust's Hospice at Home**, a unique Sheffield-based licensed palliative care provider in the Occupied Palestinian Territories (OPT). www.bethlehemcareandhospicetrust.org Registered Charity Number 1158406.



A Night of Christmas Joy

HOSTED BY
ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL CHOIR
21st December 2025, 4:00 PM
St Mary's Cathedral, LL11 1RB
Regent Street, Wrexham

Celebrate the season with carols, joy, and community spirit!

A Night of Song The Flint Ladies Choir

16th December at 7pm. Under 14's FREE.
Tickets available on the door £10

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

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; Patrick Ryan, Kenneth Rogers, Michael Callaghan, Annie Prince, Kathleen Berry, Carole Ann Bryan, Eileen May Durkin, June Mary Berry, Terese 'Terry' Bernard Hughes, Hilarie Mary Smith, William 'Billy' Skelly, Raymond Ernest Brown, Patricia 'Pat' Rogers, Gerald Rogers.

FINANCIAL MATTERS - WREXHAM DIOCESAN TRUST
REGISTERED CHARITY No. 700426

Thank you for last weeks collection of **£1,561.01** which consisted of
Gift Aid Envelopes **£515.99** Gift Aid standing orders **£520.04**
loose plate **£525.07**



Last week's donations for the **CATHEDRAL FLOOR REPAIR £153.33**

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!

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LOOKING AHEAD:

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.