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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YR UNFED SUL CYFFEDIN AR HUGAIN
23RD AUGUST 2026

LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND EVENTS - SUNDAY

Coedpoeth **9:00 am** (*People of the Parish*)
Cathedral **10:30 am** (*Anna Mathew RIP*) Mathew
7.00pm (*People of the Parish*)

PSALTER WEEK 1 | SUNDAY READING CYCLE A

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

MONDAY 24th August	ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE (FEAST) Mass 12.00 noon (<i>All Souls</i>)
TUESDAY 25th August	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME St Louis Mass 12.00 noon (<i>Beryl Edwards INT</i>) Elizabeth & David
WEDNESDAY 26th August	St David Lewis, Priest, Martyr Mass 12.00 noon (<i>Deceased members of the Cashman family RIP</i>) Elizabeth & David Coedpoeth NO MASS
THURSDAY 27th August	St Monica Mass 12.00 noon (<i>Michael Vincent Anthony Walsh</i>) FM
FRIDAY 28th August	St Augustine, Bishop, Doctor (<i>memorial</i>) Mass 12.00 noon (<i>Bernadette Gavin RIP</i>) FM
SATURDAY 29th August	The Passion of St John the Baptist (<i>memorial</i>) Mass and Rosary 09.00am (<i>Deceased members of the Arnold & O'Reilly family RIP</i>) Confessions 10.30am-11.30am
SUNDAY 30th August	22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ,YEAR A Coedpoeth Mass 9.00am Cathedral Mass 10.30am & 7.00pm

The Pope's Intention:

For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community. [OB]

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'I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven'

In the reading from the prophet Isaiah we are reminded that God's will is always accomplished, indicating that he will place on the shoulder of Eliakim the key to the house of David and with this authority – prefiguring our Gospel reading in which Jesus says to Peter 'I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven again passing on authority' We are reminded in the words of the Entrance Antiphon, 'Save (recognise) the servant who trusts in you', for it is God's will that the lowly servant, trusting in God, is to be given the place of honour and authority. The servant who not only recognises God's authority but is faithful in their duty to him both by word and by action. God's wisdom becomes apparent in the Gospel, when Jesus chooses Peter, who, despite his human failings, is nevertheless to be a rock and custodian of the keys of the kingdom of heaven. Our readings echo the voice of the lowly servant, praising God's wisdom and knowledge for the faithful servant's call is always answered. Let us pray, this week, that we will always trust in the wisdom of God asking that He look to each one of us, even with our own fragilities, and that we might be God's choice to spread the joy of the kingdom here and now.



Next Sunday : 22nd Sunday in ordinary time

Year A' readings are:

First reading:
Jeremiah 20:7-9

Second reading:
Romans 12:1-2

Gospel:
Matthew 16:21-27

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

Mission Red Box Thank you and Appeal

This weekend we welcome Fr Edson to give an Red Box appeal. Thank you to parishioners who already give to Missio, the Pope's charity for World Mission.

Your generous donations either through the Red Box or Direct Debit support the Church around the World where it is young or in need.

There will not be a second collection as the appeal is for membership to the Red Box scheme. Please keep the work of Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries in your prayers. To find out more: www.missio.org.uk



NOTICES

* Second collection this weekend **23rd August** is for the **Missio Appeal**.

*The Cathedral Office is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30am -2.30pm.

A BIG THANK YOU

Thank you for sending us your completed petition sheets on the issue of the **global debt crisis**. This is confirmation that we have safely received them. We appreciate all your hard work sharing this petition in your parish. Your signatures will be combined with those from Catholic churches all over England and Wales to make a grand total, and this show of support will be shared with government ministers and other influential decision-makers. Organising this petition was an act of solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world who are suffering the effects of this debt crisis, and we are very grateful for your efforts.

Helen Mosely (CAFOD)

Sacramental Preparation: Arrangements for First Holy Communion (FHC) Preparation Classes – 2026/27

-FHC programme is parish based – that is – open to Baptised Catholic children from families who are members of the Cathedral Parish and worship here on a regular basis. Families from other parishes must contact their Parish Priest to arrange FHC.

-Open to age range year 3/4 in primary school (7/8 years) with a cut-off point at year 6. The programme is designed for and presented at this age range. Anyone above this age range will need to be covered by a separate arrangement.

-At the point of registration, the following details/evidence must be provided by parents: child's date of birth, date and place of Baptism to include documentary evidence – and names and contact details of parents, and declaration that family are members of Cathedral Parish and attend on a regular/weekly basis.

-Request for registration on the programme cannot be accepted via phone, email, letter or personal call at the Cathedral.

-Registration will take place in September 2026.

Details will be provided by beginning of September through Parish Newsletter, Parish website, announcements at Mass and parish notice board only.

Exciting double event on Saturday 12th September

A Talk and a Tour of the Cathedral's stained glass windows followed by a concert starring Jack Campbell and Pwll ap Sion.

Talk starts at 4pm, Recital at 5.30pm No charge but donations welcome

HCPT Group 155 are looking for people to join their team! The next meeting is Wednesday 16th September at St. Anne's church hall. Please see poster in porch for more details.

The Traditional Roman Rite study weekend, 11 - 13 September 2026

Join us in the beautiful setting of Stonyhurst to explore the key elements of the Roman Church's liturgical tradition. The weekend is intended to offer a deeper understanding of both the Traditional Rite specifically as well as of the New Rite of the Mass, which draws principally on the same heritage of the Church's worship over the centuries.

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-traditional-roman-rite-study-weekend/>

Check out the August edition of 'The God Who Speaks' resources online.

ORAL HISTORY HERITAGE PROJECT

There will be an informative session this Thursday 27th August from 6-7.30pm in the hall, for anyone interested in helping with this project by recording oral histories.

There will be further information for anyone who is interested in having their story recorded in next week's newsletter and on the noticeboards.



Polite Notice

Anyone needing any documents from the Cathedral office, permission letters etc, please **allow 3 weeks minimum** for this to be completed. There are limited office hours and with the summer holidays coming up please place requests as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

PLEASE PRAY

- * For Bishop Edwin, For Canon Terance Carr, For Canon Francis Doyle, Kathryn Byrne, Sister Maureen Grigg
- ♦ ... 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, Michael Purcell, Kathleen Mark, Dea Iobbi, and all those whose anniversary is around this time, Patricia Green, Teresa Jones, Stephen Williams, Patricia Jeffreys, Josephine Purcell, Nicola Morsellino, William Evans, Agnes Boynton, Adam Michaliski, Mary Ann Porter, Orlando Andrade, Ann Davies, Vida Smith, Frances Summer, John Ryan, James Whelan, James Thompson, Aloizy Berka, Patrick Joynson, Maurice Reeves, Anne Powell, Baby Jacob Richards, Pasquale Constanzo, Brian Oblinski, Bridget Curran, Joanna Klimaszewski, Colin Galvin.

FINANCIAL MATTERS - WREXHAM DIOCESAN TRUST
REGISTERED CHARITY No. 700426

Thank you for last weeks collection of **£1,488.86** which consisted of
Gift Aid Envelopes **£404.44** Gift Aid standing orders **£480.00**
loose plate **£604.42** / **CATHEDRAL FLOOR FUND £235.51**



**GoFundMe link for Urgent repairs / Cathedral
Renovations: Help-save-wrexhams-cathedral-ptjxb**

Car Park Camera is now LIVE

**Please remember to enter your car registration when visiting the
Cathedral Church, within 10 minutes of parking.**

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.

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press Yes, it's correct, press REGISTER.



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LOOKING AHEAD:
Diocesan Mass

15th September	Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows: 7.00pm
11th October	Prisoners' Sunday: 10.30am
18th October	St Richard Gwyn Pilgrimage Mass: 3pm
23rd October	Healthcare/Medical Mass: 7pm
1st November	All Saints Mass: 10.30am

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