

7 th September 2025, Week 23 rd of Ordinary Time - Year C Weekday Year I Psalter Week III			
Date	Welsh Martyrs Merthyron Cymru	Holy Cross Groes Sanctaidd	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel
Sun 7 th September 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Samuel José David Shelley 10:30am Holy Mass Pro populo	9:00am Holy Mass No intention	11:00am Holy Mass Pro populo
Mon 8 th September Birthday of the Bl Virgin Mary			
Tue 9 th September	10:00am Mass No intention		6:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 7:00pm Holy Mass No intention
Wed 10 th September	9:00am Adoration 10:00am Holy Mass No intention	6:00pm Holy Mass No intention	
Thur 11 th September St Deiniol	6:00pm Holy Mass Fr Liam Bradley's Installation		10:00am Holy Mass No intention
Fri 12 th September Mary, Mother of God, Patron of Cardiff-Menevia	9:45am School Mass at St Padarn's 5:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm Holy Mass No intention	9:00am Adoration & Reconciliation 10:00am Holy Mass No intention	
Sat 13 th September St John Chrysostom	9:30am Adoration 10:30am Holy Mass No Intention		
Sun 14 th September Exultation of the Holy Cross	5:00pm-5:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation before Vigil Mass Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass No intention Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Anna Maria Shelley 10:30am Holy Mass Pro populo	**11:00am Holy Mass** No intention	**9:00am Holy Mass** Pro populo

gardening skills and also producing food for distribution to the community, via St Paul’s Methodist Church. It would be great if every member of the parish could bring some item of food (dried, tinned, in packets) on that day for distribution to those in the community who need it. More info will follow soon, but for now please save the date.

Reapers and Sowers Fundraising In the Gospel of Matthew (25:14-30) read yesterday on Saturday, the landowner gives some of his wealth to his servants, for them to use his wealth/talents to invest. You too can do the same – why not get involved? The parish is going to give £30 envelopes to regular members of the parish, and all you have to use the money to see how much more you can make! What will you be able to do between now and Christmas? Will you be able to bring back £60, or even £120, or even more? Or, will you just bring back the £30, having tried your best? What can you do to raise funds for the parish while having a fun time doing it? If you would like to receive a £30 envelope, more information is given on the sheet with this newsletter. Funds will be used to help build a new parish hall.

Prayer after Mass

English	Cymraeg
Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle, be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust down into hell Satan, and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.	Mihangel y sanctaidd Archangel, amddiffyn ni yn nydd y frwydr; gwared ni rhag drygioni a rhwydau'r diafol. Yn ostyngedig, erfyniwn ar Dduw ei geryddu; a thithau, dywysog y llu nefol, trwy allu Duw, gyr i lawr i uffern, Satan a'r holl ysbrydion drwg, sy'n tramwy ar hyd y ddaear, er difetha eneidiau. Amen.

Catholic Parishes of Aberystwyth and Lampeter
Plwyfi Catholig Aberystwyth a Llanbedr Pont Steffan

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24 th August 2025, Week 21 of Ordinary Time - Year C Weekday Year I Psalter Week I			
Date	Welsh Martyrs Merthyron Cymru	Holy Cross Groes Sanctaidd	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel
Sun 24 th August 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00pm-5:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation before Vigil Mass Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass Ben Morgan RIP Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Anna Maria Shelley 10:30am Holy Mass Pro populo	9:00am Holy Mass Hannah James RIP	11:00am Holy Mass Pro populo
Mon 25 th August			
Tue 26 th August St David Lewis			6:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 7:00pm Holy Mass Ptryk's 30 th Birthday
Wed 27 th August St Monica	9:00am Adoration 10:00am Holy Mass Friends of the suffering souls		
Thur 28 th August St Augustine	6:00pm Holy Mass No Intention	9:00am Adoration & Reconciliation 10:00am Holy Mass Holy Souls	
Fri 29 th August Beheading of St John the Baptist	5:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm Holy Mass Jima & Vittorio Caffarelli RIP		
Sat 30 th August	9:30am Adoration 10:30am Holy Mass Tasha & Douglas		
Sun 31 st August 22 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00pm-5:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation before Vigil Mass Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass Aldo & Emilia Feroldi RIP Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Anna Maria Shelley 10:30am Holy Mass Pro populo	9:00am Holy Mass No intention	11:00am Holy Mass Pro populo
Sunday Collection - Casgliad y Sul. <i>Thank you for your generosity - Diolch am eich haelioni.</i> £454.18 (Aberystwyth+Aberaeron) £129.00(Lampeter - Llanbedr Pont Steffan) Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia CIO N° 1177272			

Baptism Congratulations to Michael Anasonye and his whole family as this weekend he receives the Sacrament of Baptism. Let us pray for all the Anasonye family and for our growing Church community.

31 st August 2025, Week 22 of Ordinary Time - Year C Weekday Year I Psalter Week II			
Date	Welsh Martyrs Merthyron Cymru	Holy Cross Groes Sanctaidd	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel
Sun 31st August 22 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Anna Maria Shelley 10:30am Holy Mass Pro populo	9:00am Holy Mass No intention	11:00am Holy Mass Pro populo
Mon 1st September			
Tue 2nd September			6:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 7:00pm Holy Mass No intention
Wed 3rd September St Gregory the Great	9:00am Adoration 10:00am Holy Mass No intention		
Thur 4th September	6:00pm Holy Mass Catherine Morgan RIP	9:00am Adoration & Reconciliation 10:00am Holy Mass No intention	
Fri 5th September St Teresa of Calcutta	5:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm Holy Mass Anna Maria Shelley		
Sat 6th September	9:30am Adoration 10:30am Holy Mass Margarida Trias Martinez		
Sun 7th September 23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00pm-5:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation before Vigil Mass Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass St Padarn's School ----- Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Samuel José David Shelley 10:30am Holy Mass Pro populo	9:00am Holy Mass No intention	11:00am Holy Mass Pro populo

Welcome to our Visitors During this holiday time many of us will be travelling to visit family and friends, if you’re a visitor to our parish, then please feel very at home here: you are very welcome to join in with us, as you explore this beautiful part of Wales. If you’re still to go away on holiday then I trust you will have a blest time as you visit family, friends, or simply explore another part of the world.

A Bumper Edition! This week’s newsletter is a bumper edition, to cover the couple of weeks that Fr Liam is away. Don’t fret, however, Fr Liam shall soon return and, in the meantime, Fr Malachy will still be busy at work in the parish. Should you need to speak with a priest Fr Malachy is contactable using the parish mobile phone number (07481 250 934) and will be popping in and out of the parish office. If you need a priest for any reason, please don’t hesitate to contact him.

Visiting Clergy I’d like to extend a warm welcome to two priests of Belmont Abbey, Hereford, who are going to help with supply during the next two weekends. The Abbot, Rt Rev. Brendan Thomas OSB will be in Aberystwyth for the first weekend, and Dom Jonathan Rollinson OSB for the second. Both are Benedictine monks and I’m very grateful for their support. If it weren’t for the willingness of clergy to drive across Wales, to ensure that the Sacraments are celebrated, then other priests wouldn’t be able to rest and have a holiday. I’m also pleased to say that Fr Malachy will also be taking a well-deserved rest in the near future!

Polish Community Fr Krzystof is a priest of the Polish Mission and regularly celebrates Mass in Polish at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church at Lampeter. The Next Polish Masses will be celebrated on 24th August and 31st August. After these dates, the normal timetable will resume, with Masses being celebrated on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month.

Back to School It won’t be long before our teachers and pupils return to St Padarn’s School for the beginning of the new term. I hope the whole school community has enjoyed a very welcome rest. In the first week of term Fr Malachy will bless the staff as they get ready to welcome the pupils, and the first school Mass will take place the following week. Our school is a very important part of parish life because it supports parents to educate their children, giving a space for our younger members to develop their faith.

As the new term begins we seek out God’s blessing on the pupils, teachers, classroom assistants, ancillary staff and governors.

Episcopal visit On the feast of St Deiniol (Thursday 11th September) we will welcome our Archbishop to Ceredigion. No doubt he will be wondering how two relatively new priests to the parishes are getting on! During his time with us, His Grace will celebrate Mass at Welsh Martyrs Church at 6:00pm. During the Mass Fr Liam will make a Profession of Faith and take an Oath of Office, and Fr Liam will be formally installed as Parish Priest of both Lampeter and Aberystwyth parishes. Following the Mass there will be light refreshments available at Neuadd Goffa, to which all are welcome to attend and meet with Archbishop Mark.

Exultation of the Holy Cross This year the feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross is on a Sunday, and so it is raised to the dignity of a full solemnity. It’s also the Title Day of the Church of the Holy Cross at Aberaeron! So that the people of Aberaeron can more fully celebrate their day, the Mass times of Aberaeron and Lampeter have been swapped around just for the occasion: please do make a note of this now and tell others too. Aberaeron is not a separate parish but is part of the parish of Aberystwyth, so there may be some who would like to go from Aberystwyth that morning, to Mass at Aberaeron, to support the local community. At the end of Mass Fr Malachy will lead a procession of a Cross from the church to the centre of the town and back, as a witness to the place of the cross in our lives. If you are going to Mass in Aberaeron for the Solemnity, please do bring along some food and drink to share because there will be a party after the procession.

Syro-Malabar Community Within the local area there are a significant number of families from Kerela, India, who join us every week at Mass. It’s a joy that so many of the Indian community gather in our churches and have made this part of West Wales their home. For those who are not aware, many members of the Kerelan community are not Latin Rite (a.k.a. “Roman”) Catholics, but Syro-Malabar Catholics who have their own particular liturgical rites, celebrated in Malayalam. Syro-Malabar Catholics are in full communion with the Latin Rite, but have their own church structure organised into the Eparchy of Great Britain, which is similar to a Diocese, but covers the whole country. The Eparchy is lead by a bishop, Mar Joseph Srampickal. Recently Archbishop Mark and Mar Joseph have arranged for one of our parishes in Swansea to be a regular place of worship for the Syro-Malabar Community, and today Fr Christo Titto Neriamparampil lives in the parish. In the near future, Fr Christo hopes to start offering a monthly Eucharist, known as Holy Qurbana, here in Aberystwyth. This new initiative is supported by our Archbishop and the particular details, such as the timings of the Holy Qurbana, will soon be finalised and published in this newsletter. The Latin Rite Church was founded by the Apostle St Peter at Rome, and the Syro-Malabar Church was founded by the Apostle St Thomas in Asia. Therefore, let us seek out the intercession of the Holy Apostles Peter and Thomas as we being this new chapter in the life of our parish.

Young Adults WhatsApp For those members of the parish who are over 18 and would like to be a little bit more connected with what’s happening in the parish, please consider joining the WhatsApp group. While there has always been a CathSoc group, younger adults in our parish, who are not university students, might be missing out on some news and events. If you would like to stay updated, please use the QR code to join. This group will be for matters connected to the life of faith within our parish and so the Admins respectfully ask that this be honoured – if you want to chat about other personal topics, that’s great – but please text others directly in private with your own private news.



‘Care of Creation’ Harvest Celebration Please reserve the afternoon of Saturday 20th September in your diary today! On this day our parish is going to celebrate how we care for creation by acknowledging the fruits of the earth in a harvest celebration – most importantly, the fruits from our own Laudato Si Garden, which have been lovingly grown over the summer. For the past 10 years the Catholic Church has celebrated the period from 1st September to October 4th (the feast of St Francis of Assisi) as having the specific focus on the care of creation. On the decade anniversary of this season, Pope Leo has approved a new Mass formulary which we be used for the first time in our parish on 20th September. After the Mass we will hear about some of the work of the gardeners who have been both welcoming volunteers to learn more about