

Catholic Parishes of Aberystwyth and Lampeter

Plwyfi Catholig Aberystwyth a Llanbedr Pont Steffan

Welsh Martyrs Church

Cae Dan Yr Haidd,
Aberystwyth, SY23 1ST

Holy Cross Church

Victoria Street,
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Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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14 th September 2025, Week 24 of Ordinary Time - Year C Weekday Year I Psalter Week IV			
Date	Welsh Martyrs Merthyrion Cymru	Holy Cross Groes Sanctaidd	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel
Sun 14th September Exaltation of the Holy Cross	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
Mon 15th September Our Lady of Sorrows			
Tue 16th September Ss Cornelius and Cyprian	10:00am Holy Mass Margaret Eagle		6:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 7:00pm Holy Mass Christine Swan RIP
Wed 17th September St Robert Bellarmine	9:00am Adoration 10:00am Holy Mass No intention	6:00pm Holy Mass World Peace	
Thur 18th September	6:00pm Holy Mass Theo and Freya		10:00am Holy Mass Hakeem Livermore RIP
Fri 19th September	5:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm Holy Mass No intention	9:00am Adoration & Reconciliation 10:00am Holy Mass Friends of the Suffering Souls	
Sat 20th September Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions.	9:30-10:30am Adoration 2:00pm Holy Mass Votive Mass for the Care of Creation		
Sun 21st September 25 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00pm-5:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation before Vigil Mass Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass Anna Maria Shelley Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Pro populo 10:30am Holy Mass Joseph Joshua David Shelley	9:00am Holy Mass World Peace	11:00am Holy Mass Pro populo
Sunday Collections - Casgliad y Sul. <i>Thank you for your generosity - Diolch am eich haelioni.</i> 24/08-£596.49, 31/08-£373.18, 07/09-£421.56 (Aberystwyth+Aberaeron) 24/08-£129.0, 31/08-£129.60, 07/09-£131.00 (Lampeter - Llanbedr Pont Steffan) Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia CIO N° 1177272			

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 keep the people of Aberaeron in your prayers on this day. Also, pray for the community of the Cistercian Nuns of the Strict Observance at their Monastery of the Holy Cross at Whitland.

Bathroom Facilities at Lampeter I'm sorry to have to say that the bathroom at Lampeter has had to close owing to safety requirements. The bathroom is no longer to be used. The diocesan health and safety officer is coming to Lampeter this week to inspect the premises. It is regrettable that no facilities can now be provided on the church property, however there are some public facilities in town and in Sainsbury's Supermarket.

Evening for Readers/Eucharistic Ministers. For those who have the ministry of reading in scriptures in our parishes, there will be an evening for readers on Tuesday 16th September at 6:00pm to 7:30pm. The following week, on 23rd September, there will be an evening for those who are Eucharistic Ministers. These evenings will look at giving some updates as to how we undertake this ministry. On the 4th October from 11:30am both groups will have some time together for a time of input and reflection followed by a commissioning service. The Church asks that all those who undertake a ministry should be commissioned for a set period of time – generally one year. As such, readers and ministers will be commissioned on an annual basis. Those who haven't been commissioned should not undertake a ministry until this has happened. If you are not able to attend the sessions please do email Fr Liam so that alternative arrangements can be made later in the year.

Christian Aid Lunch This lunch supports World Food Outreach – an initiative of the United Nations' World Food Programme. This lunch happens on the first Friday of each month from 12noon to 1:30pm at St Peter's Church Hall, Lampeter. **Provision for the lunch comes from various local churches/groups and, on Friday 3rd October, it's the Catholic Church's turn to support this endeavour.** We therefore need volunteers on 3rd October as our Church hasn't contributed to the lunch since the pandemic. We need cooks, waiters, drinks makers, table layers and dish washers etc, to provide a two-course meal (meet and veggie option) for between 50 and 60 persons. Volunteers will need to arrive for 10:30am, and some things can be prepared beforehand at home (beef stew, trifle, apple pie etc). There are some who have done this before and can give advice, but please do contact Anne Watkins who is coordinating our response - 01570 423553. 07760453685. If you don't want to volunteer please also consider being a customer and having your Friday lunch at St Peters.

Thank you Many thanks to all those who have helped in the parish over the past few weeks. I had a lovely note from the visiting clergy from Belmont Abbey, who were grateful for direction from Fr Malachy and other members of the parish. Thank you too for those who helped to get everything ready for the Archbishop's recent visit to the parish. You can read about his visit on the diocesan website <https://rcadc.org/> where you can also sign up to receive the latest diocesan newsletter.



We have a good number of people signed up for this challenge of growing £30 in three months. The envelopes of money will be available for collection from this week! You can either collect your envelope from the presbytery from Tuesday onwards, or collect it after Mass. If you are hosting a fundraiser event, please do let the parish know and your event can be publicised in this newsletter!

'Care of Creation' Harvest Celebration Saturday 20th September at 2:00pm. 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. Pope Leo has approved a new Mass formulary which we be used for the first time in our parish and Nick will give a short presentation on how the garden has been developed. Please come to this Mass and bring some food with you (dried, tinned, in packets &c.) which can be donated to our local foodbank.

Donations If you'd like to donate to the mission of Aberystwyth parish, you can use this QR code. Many thanks for your generosity.



Food Bank Collection points are in each church porch. Recent needs include:

Aberystwyth: grateful for whatever you can give,
Aberaeron: grateful for whatever you can give,
Lampeter: grateful for whatever you can give.
Diolch yn fawr iawn – thank you very much!