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PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER HOME WITH YOU!

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 5th October 27TH Sunday of Ordinary Time	6:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Daniel Courtney Anniversary of Ron & Pat Gaffney + David Dowd	Kathleen & Clifford Des, Sharon, Niall, Alex
Monday, 6th October	9:30 a.m.	+ John Howard	R. Jenkins
Tuesday, 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary	7:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving of Stephanie	
Wednesday, 8th October	9:30 a.m.	+ Dr Hilary Loyd	George & Teresa Plunket
Thursday, 9th October	9:30 a.m.	Holy Souls	
Friday, 10th October	9:30 a.m.	Intentions of Jomaru	
Saturday, 11th October	9:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving of Helen Williams	
Sunday, 12th October 28TH Sunday of Ordinary Time	6:00 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ Ursula White Parish Healing of Andrew	Sean Paul & Joan

CONFESSION: Saturdays after the morning mass and before the evening mass or by appointment.

MORNING PRAISE: 15 minutes before the weekday morning mass.

MARIAN DEVOTION: 15 minutes before the Tuesday evening mass.

BENEDICTION: after the Friday morning mass.

LECTIO DIVINA: after the Thursday morning mass

SICK LIST: Please remember in your prayers – Bishop Daniel Mullins, Mgr David Botrill, Fr Eric Wastell, Muriel Donald, Michael O’Kane, Catherine Sullivan, Roger Eddy, Geoff Slee, Elana Fallone, Ron Gaffney, Ciaran Jones, Binoy Thomas, Jim Morrissey, Jean Fonseka, Cliff Griffiths, Eileen Kelly, Kathleen Lewis, Diane Cullen, Millie Williams, Stan Lofthouse, Margaret Blake, Margaret Cobley, Michael Reynolds, Michael McGovern, John Blackey, Valerie Murphy, Moira Gwalchmai, Iorwerth Gwalchmai and all other members of the parish who are unwell at this time.

Hospital? Are you, someone in your family, or a Catholic friend, in hospital or going in soon? Please let us know. We have no other way of learning who is in hospital, to be able to offer them the pastoral care of the of the hospital visitor, or to bring the spiritual healing of the Sacraments.

MINISTERS NEXT WEEKEND (11/12 October)

READERS	6:00 p.m.	Maureen Davies	Paddy Tribe	Terry McGrath
	8:30 a.m.	Angelo Sidoli	Cliff Sarfas	Angela Mugford
	11:00 a.m.	Ted Geary	Steve Smith	Sr Bridget Guidera
COMMUNION	6:00 p.m.	John Morse	Pat Morse	Helen Williams
	8:30 a.m.	Robin Baragy	Maureen Watkins	Sr Bridget Carr
	11:00 a.m.	Sr Bridget Leamy	Angela Valenzuela	Zofia Parylak

PARISH AND DIOCESAN FINANCES. Our Parish Collection last weekend raised £ 965.90. Last Sunday £ 44.10 was raised through the Diocese Silver Jubilee Envelopes. Thanks to all those who generously support the Parish and the Diocese each Sunday.

MISSIO RED BOXES. The autumn edition of Mission Today is now available. It is a free magazine that explains where the monies collected from the Red Boxes are used. The magazine shows the different mission areas/territories that benefit from the Red Box collections. If you are interested in helping the mission, please ask for a red box from Jane Phillips (01792 - 208658).

CHILDREN'S MASS. Eucharistic prayer for masses with children number 2 will be used this Sunday. For a fuller and more conscious participation please use the printed copies. The liturgy of the Word for children's mass will be used this Sunday. They are practically the same readings as the readings for regular Sunday mass. However, the readings are shorter.

SVP. Please be reminded that the SVP mass for the sick will be held at Gorseinon Church on 12 October at 3:00 p.m. Also, please be informed that the SVP is supporting a student studying medicine and surgery for 5 years. Please see the notice board for the details of this scholarship. Thank you for your donation the SVP is able to support the poor.

Please support **The Matthew Mulcahy Annual Charity Walk** which this year is in aid of the Ursuline Sisters' Mission in Ouzal in the French Cameroon. The sponsorship form is in the ambulatory of the church.

GRATITUDE. Thanks to all who supported the diocesan fund raising Sky fall. The parish raised £ 185.00. Thanks to Maureen Watkins who help in the fund raising.

CONGRATULATIONS. Congratulations to Helen Williams who will receive an award next weekend at Westminster, The Catholic Woman award of the year. Please take time to read the letter of Bishop Burns regarding the award. It is posted on the notice board.

SYNOD ON THE FAMILY. What is the Synod of Bishops? The Synod of Bishops is a permanent institution of the Catholic Church. It was established by Pope Paul VI in 1965, shortly after the close of the Second Vatican Council, to continue the spirit of collegiality and communion that was present at the Council. The Synod is an assembly of bishops from around the world who assist the Holy Father by providing counsel on important questions facing the Church in a manner that preserves the Church's teaching and strengthens her internal discipline. **When does the Synod of Bishops meet?** The Synod of Bishops meets at the request of the Holy Father, when he considers it necessary or opportune to consult with the world's bishops. **What are the meetings of the Synod of Bishops called?** The Synod of Bishops can meet in a *General Assembly* (or *Session*) on topics that pertain to the entire Church; these kinds of sessions can be either *Ordinary* or *Extraordinary*. The Synod of Bishops can also meet in a *Special Assembly* (or *Session*) on topics that pertain to a limited geographical area. For example, Special Assemblies have been held in recent years on topics concerning the Middle East and Africa. **What is an Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops?** A General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops is called "Ordinary" if its topic is "for the good of the universal Church" and seems to require the "learning, prudence and counsel" of all the world's bishops. **What is an Extraordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops?** A General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops is called "Extraordinary" when it is convened to deal with matters "which require a speedy solution" and which demand "immediate attention for the good of the entire Church". **Who are the heads of the Synod of Bishops?** The President of the Synod is the current Holy Father, Pope Francis. The Synod also has a General Secretary, who is currently Cardinal Lorenzo Baldisseri. **What is the theme of the III Extraordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops?** "The pastoral challenges of the family in the context of evangelization" **What are the dates of the III Extraordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops?** October 5-19, 2014. **Where will the III Extraordinary Synod take place?** Vatican City

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY. The Mass of the Holy Spirit will be celebrated on 12 October, Sunday, at 11:00 a.m. Throughout the world many Jesuit high schools and colleges (as well as many other Catholic schools) are marking the opening of the academic year with the Mass of the Holy Spirit. It is a tradition among Jesuit academic institutions dating to 1548 in which the community gathers to thank God for the gift of creation and salvation and to seek the guidance and wisdom of the Holy Spirit in the coming year. Swansea University is a secular university but because of the Catholic Chaplaincy, it is also proper that the Mass of the Holy Spirit be celebrated for Catholic students. For the first time this year the University will join the other Catholic academic institutions in celebrating the beginning of the new academic year with the Mass of the Holy Spirit.

It is the practice in all University Catholic Chaplaincies of England and Wales to host lunches for students every Sunday. Please join CathSoc at the hall after the mass.

Lectio Divina will start on 14 October.

The opening service for the new academic year will be on 15 October at the chaplaincy at 1:00 p.m.