

Catholic Parishes of Aberystwyth and Lampeter

Plwyfi Catholig Aberystwyth a Llanbedr Pont Steffan

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23 rd August 2026: Week 21 of Ordinary Time, Year A. Weekdays of Year II, Psalter Week I.			
Date	Welsh Martyrs Merthyrion Cymru	Holy Cross Yr Groes Sanctaidd	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel
Sun 23rd August 21 st Sunday of Ordinary Time	5:00pm-5:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation before Vigil Mass Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass Jenny Wilkie Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Riscon Rejimon 10:30am Holy Mass Pro populo	9:00am Holy Mass Holy Souls	11:00am Holy Mass Pro Populo
Mon 24th August St Bartholomew			
Tue 25th August	10:00am Holy Mass Holy Souls		6:00pm Reconciliation and Adoration 7:00pm Holy Mass Enid Greaney RIP
Wed 26th August St David Lewis	9:00am Adoration 10:00am Holy Mass Megan Greaney RIP	6:00pm Holy Mass Friends of the Suffering Souls	
Thur 27th August St Monica	7:00pm Holy Mass Jenny Wilkie		10:00am Holy Mass Margaret & Vincent Baker RIP
Fri 28th August St Augustine of Hippo	5:00pm Reconciliation and Adoration 6:00pm Holy Mass Roos Family RIP	9:00am Reconciliation and Adoration 10:00am Holy Mass Michael Price	
Sat 29th August The beheading of St John the Baptist	9:30am Adoration 10:30am Holy Mass Ben and Catherine RIP		
Sun 30th August 22 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00pm-5:45pm Sacrament of Reconciliation before Vigil Mass Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass Thomas Gregg Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass Jenny Wilkie 10:30am Holy Mass Pro populo	9:00am Holy Mass Holy Souls	11:00am Holy Mass Pro Populo
Sunday Collections - Casgliad y Sul. <i>Thank you for your generosity - Diolch am eich haelioni.</i> 16 th August £448.62 (Aberystwyth and Aberaeron) 16 th August £182.00 (Lampeter - Llanbedr Pont Steffan) Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia CIO N° 1177272			

Holidays It's the school holidays! If you're a visitor to one of our three churches, please know that you're very welcome to join us, both for all the liturgical celebrations and the social items too. If you're going away for the summer, then do keep safe and make the most of your time on holiday.

From the Laudato Si' Garden Project - Care for Our Common Home. A movement called 'The Journey to 2030' is preparing the church to celebrate the Great Jubilee of 2030. One way in which they are doing this is thorough their Ecological Conversion Group, which is trying to encourage more faithful to recognise the need to take active and personal steps to look after the planet and its resources. One element of the Ecological

Conversion Group is to establish Jubilee Gardens - and it is hoped that our garden can be listed as a Jubilee Garden, and inspire other parishes and faithful to established gardens which support the community. Inspired by this new initiative, our garden project is hosting an event on September 19th at St Anne's Church hall from 11:30am to 4:30pm. Guest speakers will be giving talks, and there will be workshops available. A lunch will be provided with some of the food taken from our own garden as well as a tour of the garden itself. This event is being advertised across Wales, and we hope to get many participants from all over the country. If you would like to attend please do register your interest at the website <https://jubileegarden.org/events/> so numbers can be catered for.

Adoremus The Eucharistic Congress takes place this year on 10th October at Southwark Cathedral. The diocese is organising coaches to travel from Swansea, Bridgend, Cardiff and Newport. Tickets are limited and will be distributed across the deaneries of the diocese. If you would like to attend please let Fr Liam know and complete the on-line application. The link to the application is: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=g1pKcnwUc0-mUHd9wtbGVBUneZzMLmBEg0LiAbzpxnRUMTBZRUG1REFBMTc2NjdKVEpONjFVMUtFSy4u&route=shorturl> which is a very long link!! Please go to the newsletter online and copy/paste this link into your browser!! The trip is open to those who are 16 or older and costs £40 for a ticket.

E-mail The former parishes and clergy of Menevia are currently mid-way through changing our email addresses to a new system which will result in all email addresses ending @cardiffmenevia.org Until this transition is complete, I'm sorry to say that the email system isn't as satisfactory as it could be. Clergy know we are missing a significant number of emails and that there are people who think they are being ignored. I'm sorry if you are in that group, I can only hope that the new system is working soon. Please note, as of today, the emails at the top of this newsletter are correct but not everything is getting through. Please also note that lampeter@meenvia.org no longer exists and anything sent here is not going to be seen.

World Youth Day From Fr Matt: "To all those aged 18-30, join Archbishop Mark and a group from the diocese heading to next summer's World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul, South Korea. With Pope Leo and a million other young Catholics, we'll enjoy a full schedule of activities and formation, in a country with a vibrant and growing Catholic community - we'll also have opportunities to meet up before we travel. The dates of the trip are July 28th to August 9th, and the cost is £1500 per person plus the cost of flights (TBC - in the region of £800 to £1200). Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis." For more information contact Fr Matt Roche-Saunders at wyd@cardiffmenevia.org

Tazi at Lampeter A Taizé service is a meditative and contemplative form of worship centred on prayerful song. Through the use of repetitive chants, and simple music melodies, the texts of the Psalms are gently brought alive. The inspiration for this type of prayerful singing comes from an ecumenical Christian community founded by Brother Roger in 1940. A taster session will soon be held at Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church. Everyone is welcome, whether parishioner or not. Please keep a look out for the posters and advertising, and please let the clergy know if you would be interested in attending.

Lampeter Refurbishment In the past week a meeting took place with an architect and the diocesan estates officers. The meeting identified a possible location for a new bathroom to be installed: in the place of the current confessional box, with a direct entry to the front porch. In addition to installing this facility, a disabled access ramp will need to be constructed. Given the heritage of our listed building, I'm not convinced such an approach is the most acceptable and I've asked our visitors to also consider other options. At the close of the meeting it was decided to look at various solutions, their costs and acceptability to listed building/planning regulations.

Name the Saints How are you getting along with the naming of the saints? I've had a request for more pictures so, if you don't have one already, the saints cartoon should be with this newsletter. Please take a copy and see how many saints you can identify. Answers will be provided in a few weeks' time!

Welsh Martyrs Live Stream Please be aware that the webcam is always broadcasting images and, during services, sound as well. Images are stored in the system for three days before being automatically wiped. The camera is generally focused on the altar area so those seated in the church will not be broadcast unless they sit at the very front near the central isle.