

Catholic Parishes of Aberystwyth and Lampeter

Plwyfi Catholig Aberystwyth a Llanbedr Pont Steffan

Welsh Martyrs Church

Holy Cross Church

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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11th August 2024 | 19th Week in Ordinary Time | Year B | Weekday Year II

Date Dyddiad	Aberystwyth Welsh Martyrs Merthyron Cymru	Aberaeron Holy Cross Groes Sanctaidd	Lampeter Llanbed Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel
Sun 11th August 19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sul Cyffredin 19	Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass <i>Jenny Harrison RIP</i> 8.30am Holy Mass <i>Jenny Harrison RIP</i> 10am Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass <i>Holy Father's intentions</i>	8.40am Confessions 9am Holy Mass <i>James and Sarah Price</i>	11am Holy Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> 6pm Holy Mass in Polish <i>Priest's intention</i>
Mon 12th August			
Tues 13th August	6pm Holy Mass <i>Priest's intention</i>		
Wed 14th August St Maximilian Kolbe	9am Adoration/Confessions 10am Holy Mass <i>Maureen Swales</i>		6pm Adoration/Confessions 7pm Holy Mass (Vigil Mass of the Assumption) <i>Peace in the world</i>
Thurs 15th August Assumption of Our Lady	7.30am Holy Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> 7pm Holy Mass (with minibus) <i>Vocations to the Priesthood</i>	9.30am Adoration/Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass <i>Michael Price RIP</i>	
Fri 16th August	9.30am Holy Mass <i>Priest's intention</i>		
Sat 17th August			
Sun 18th August 20 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sul Cyffredin 20	Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass <i>November Lists</i> 8.30am Holy Mass <i>Priest's intention</i> 10am Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass <i>Thanksgiving (RR)</i>	8.40am Confessions 9am Holy Mass <i>Helen Willoughby</i>	11am Holy Mass <i>Priest's intention</i>
Mon 19th August			
Tue 20th August St Bernard			
Wed 21st August St Pius X			
Thu 22nd August Queenship of Mary			
Fri 23rd August			
Sat 24th August St Bartholomew			
Sun 25th August 21 st Sunday in Ordinary Time Sul Cyffredin 21	Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass <i>Ben Morgan RIP</i> 8.30am Holy Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> 10am Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass <i>Aldo and Emilia Feroldi RIP</i>	8.40am Confessions 9am Holy Mass <i>Priest's intention</i>	11am Holy Mass <i>Priest's intention</i> 6pm Holy Mass in Polish <i>Priest's intention</i>
Sunday Plate Collection Casgliad y Sul £606.27 (Aberystwyth/Aberaeron) £131.60 (Lampeter) – Diolch yn fawr!			

Absence and Supply I'll be away from 16th-24th August – thanks to Fr Ross Patterson who supplies in Aberystwyth this weekend and next, and to Canon Michael Smith who supplies in Aberaeron and Lampeter next weekend. This newsletter is a double edition, so the next newsletter will be on the weekend of 24/25 September.

Of your charity Please pray for the eternal repose of **Grace Pugh**, who died recently. Her funeral arrangement will be announced in the next newsletter. *May she rest in peace and rise in glory.*

Exam Results Please pray for our young people who receive exam results this week and next!

Assumption of Our Lady This beautiful feast marks the wonderful entrance of Mary into heaven, body and soul, where she intercedes for each of us as a mother. One way we mark this **holy day of obligation** as Catholics is by going to holy Mass – there are four opportunities to do so, shown in the timetable above.

Time Capsule You might recall that a time capsule was prepared around the time of the 50th anniversary celebrations of Welsh Martyrs Church in 2022. The capsule will be buried this coming Friday 16th August at 1.30pm in the grounds of the church. All welcome – especially if you can bring a spade and help with digging! Conor Brockbank will be available to chat about his book 'A Short History of Welsh Martyrs Church', available in the porch for a suggested donation of £5 – he's offered to sign copies for anyone who'd like.

Correction Torchlight Procession 'For Peace in Our World' This event takes place at Our Lady of Peace Church in Newbridge, Newport at 7pm on Thursday 22nd August. Canon John Griffiths will be the preacher. All welcome.

Young Adults Event All young adults aged 18+ are welcome to stay after the 10.30am Mass in Aberystwyth on Sunday 25th August, for some food, friendship and formation: brunch at 12noon, a formation talk and discussion, a time of Eucharistic adoration and finished by 2pm.

NHS Employees If you work for the NHS at Bronglais hospital and would be interested to take part in some research around transport to work, please contact Fr Matt for more information – you would be asked to take part in an interview of between 40minutes and an hour.

Two-Child Benefit Cap The government's two-child benefit cap has been shown to be 'a significant factor' in the decision of many women in aborting their child, if they don't feel they can cope without the assistance of benefits. The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) is inviting us to call on the Prime Minister to end this policy. You can find out more details about how to do this at www.spuc.org.uk/end-benefit-cap.

Chapel of Our Lady (Aberystwyth) You'll notice the work that's been done in what used to be a store cupboard, and is now a space preparing to become a chapel of Our Lady. We're hoping for the chapel to be completed in time for her birthday on Sunday 8th September – a suitable birthday gift from us her children! If you'd be happy to sponsor or to contribute to a small votive candle stand for the chapel, please get in touch with Fr Matt.

Lending Library (Aberystwyth) Above the piety shop in the porch is a library of books to lend – these books aren't for sale as part of the piety shop, but rather for loaning for anyone who'd like. It can sometimes be helpful to take a book to our times of prayer, to prompt ideas for us to talk to Jesus about more personally.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Lampeter) Fr Matt is available throughout the hour of Eucharistic adoration on a Thursday evening, in the sacristy – walk on to the sanctuary beside the altar and take the door on your left. In every honest confession we experience the joy and freedom of the Lord's mercy as he unburdens us. Thanks be to God!

Lampeter Counting Rota We are returning to the pre-pandemic arrangement of the Sunday collection being counted in pairs at the church after the 11am Sunday Mass. If you'd be willing to join a rota for counting the Sunday collection, please have a word with Fr Matt or email lampeter@menevia.org.

Croeso | Welcome A warm word of welcome to you if you're visiting this area on holiday. You've chosen well! Please know that we pray for our visitors, for your time here to be an experience of the Lord's providence for you.

Finding Mass on holiday If you're heading away on holiday this summer and you're not sure where your nearest church will be for Sunday Mass, feel free to have a word with Fr Matt who'll be happy to help out.

Donations If you'd like to make a donation to the mission of the parish, you can do so via the parish website or using this QR code. Many thanks for your generosity.



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

Aberystwyth: tinned tuna, tinned curry, dry spaghetti, UHT milk, biscuits, deodorant.

Aberaeron: grateful for whatever you can give.

Lampeter: tins of meat, tinned tomatoes, tinned fruit, cereal, jam, tea, coffee, sugar, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, toilet rolls.

Diolch yn fawr iawn – thank you!