



St. Helen's Church Barry

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On the second Sunday in Advent the "Peace" candle is lit

Today John the Baptist calls us to repentance. He preaches judgement so that we may be saved and find Christ.

2nd Sunday of Advent—4th December 2016

Saturday	6.30pm	Joan Caloe
Sunday	8.30am	John Williams
	10.30am	People of the Parish

Please pray for all the sick and elderly members of the Parish, their families, carers, and all their families.

3rd Sunday of Advent—11th December 2016

Saturday	6.30pm	Peter White
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Jack Crossey

Parish Hall Events 2016

Monday	1..00pm	Parent & Toddler
Thursday	9.30am	Slimming World

Sanctuary Lamp: George, Gwyneth & Len Pratt

Advent is a Journey towards Bethlehem, may we let ourselves be drawn by the Light of God made Man—
Pope Francis 2016

Weekday Masses Mon 5th December - Sat 10th December 2016

Monday 2nd wk of Advent	9.00am	Domenico Sartori
Tuesday 2nd wk of Advent	9.00am 9.30-3pm	Patrick & Elspeth O'Leary Adoration
Wednesday St Ambrose—memo	9.00am	Bernadette Hooper
Thursday The Immaculate conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.00am	Joe Rice
Friday 2nd wk of Advent	9.30am	James Selby
Saturday 2nd wk of Advent	9.00am	Cyril & Timothy Brown
Saturday	10am-11am	Confession *

Sacramental Events

Baptism Preparation on **7th and 14th December 2016 at 7pm** in the Presbytery

Holy Communion, . Sunday 4th December, Presentation of the Our Father at the **10.30am Mass. Wednesday 7th December** , 5.20pm in the Parish Hall

RCIA

Rite for Christian Initiation for Adults. Each Thurs 7pm in the presbytery.

Cleaners and Counters

Eva & Co

Counters This week **D** next week **A**

St Helen's Infant and Nursery
 St Helen's Junior
 St Richard Gwyn

Mrs Kathy Giernalczyk (Acting Head)
 Mrs Michelle Clawson (Acting Head)
 Mr Stephen Grech (Head Teacher)

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†Please Pray

For the repose of the soul of Andrew Olney son of Tess Olney, who died during the week

And also **Louise Good** who died recently.

Funeral Arrangements. For Louise Good
Friday 9th December Service St. Helen's 10.45am

Dates for you Diary

†The Wild Goose Is Loose

Next session on the Holy Spirit is on Thursday 15th December. 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.

†Ladies Circle

Wednesday 7th December we meet for our Christmas Lunch at Brynhill golf club **12.30pm for 1pm**, NO MEETING IN THE HALL. Any queries please ring Rose.

†A Time to Pray for Mercy

Every Thursday the church is open from 9.30am—5.30pm for the parishioners to have the opportunity to pray for God's mercy throughout the world.

†Miraculous Medal Novena

Every Friday a Novena to the Miraculous Medal is said at 12.30 to 5pm in Our Lady's Chapel.

†Advent 2016 – The Light Is On For You

A reminder of the importance of Advent as a season of reconciliation is given in 'THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU'. Parishes are asked to set aside from 7pm to 8pm each Wednesday evening during Advent as a particular time for the Sacrament of Penance. Inviting a neighbouring priest to your parish, whilst offering the same service in his, has encouraged a number of people to make their confession. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a time of Adoration has helped also. The meditations in 'Walk with Me' which has been distributed recently are also good aids to devotion during this Holy Hour. Please advertise these opportunities for Confession in your weekly newsletter. Canon Boardman from Penarth will be available on Wednesday, 7th and 14th December.

†Annual Prize Draw Sunday

4th December in the parish hall after 10.30am Mass. Many thanks to everyone who have supported this fund raising event, by donating prizes, purchasing tickets etc...Your support is greatly appreciated. A list of lucky prize draw winners will be displayed on the notice board after the draw. Prizes not claimed on the day will be available for collection on Tuesday 6th. December between 10.30 and 11.30 from the presbytery

†Christmas—St Helens Junior School

Will be holding their Christmas Liturgy in St. Helen's Church at **6pm on Monday 12th December 2016**. All families and friends welcome. The bucket collection will be for the St Vincent DePaul—

†St Richard Gwyn Coffee & Carols

The Youth SVP group welcomes you to a celebration of Christmas at the school on Thursday 15th December 2.45—3.45pm, to reserve a seat for transport call 01336 729250, before 12th December or email us on n.price@strichardgwyn.co.uk. Please support our youth in this endeavour

†ADVENT at our High School

St Richard Gwyn are helping us to prepare for the great feast of Christmas with an Advent Carol Service on **Tuesday 13th December at 6pm** in the school. All are welcome to join us. Everyone is also invited by the school SVP group to join them for "**Coffee and Carols**" on **Thursday 15th December** at 2.45, in the school, for an hour of singing, entertainment and seasonal refreshments, all free of charge! Please telephone the school on 01446729250 or email to let us know you are coming n.price@strichardgwyn.co.uk

†SVP, St Helens, Barry

The SVP's Annual Church Collection will take place after all Masses on the 2nd Sunday of Advent, W/E 3rd/4th December 2016. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity.

†.The Christmas Story Barry

FREE Live Shows every day ...English and Welsh
The Churches of Barry Present "Christmas—The Story 12th—17th December 2016, 10.30am & 13.30pm, **Tuesdays and Thursdays** evening shows at 18.30pm at St Mary's Church, Holton Road, Barry. Everyone Welcome. You may even spot some of our own parish family up on stage!

†Feast Of The Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary—Thursday 8th December

There will be a Sung Mass at St. David's Cathedral on Thursday 8 December at 7pm in honour of Our Lady on the feast of her Immaculate Conception. As patroness of the Archdiocese of Cardiff, it is fitting to honour her in this way, intercede with Our Lady of Mercy during this celebration. An opportunity to attend Mass especially if there is to be no evening Mass for this occasion in your own parish. especially if there is to be no evening Mass for this occasion in your own parish

†Sanctuary Lamps—2017

Are available in the hall this weekend. In order that envelopes are available to as many people as possible, a list with numbers and dates is available at the back of the Church. There will be someone on hand to assist you. Please select only One Date per family.

†Churches of Barry Carol Singing

With the Salvation Army Band on Thursday 22nd December, 10.30-11.30am, Kings Square.