



St. Helen's Parish

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Sunday 2nd December 2018

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2nd December 2018, First Sunday Of Advent

Saturday	6.30pm	John McTavish
Sunday	8:30am	People Of The Parish
	10:30am	Anne O'Sullivan

9th December 2018, Second Sunday Of Advent

Saturday	6.30pm	Jean Livermore
Sunday	8:30am	People Of The Parish
	10:30am	Barry & Linda Prince

Parish Hall Events

Monday	1:00pm	Mother & Toddler
Wednesday	2:00pm	Ladies Circle

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

Sacramental Events

Baptism Preparation– On **12th & 19th December** at **7:00pm** in the Presbytery.

First Holy Communion– Preparation will begin on Wednesday **5th December** at **5:15pm** in the **Parish Hall**, Children only. **Sunday 9th December** is the presentation of the Our Father in Church during 10:30am Mass, Children, Parents/guardians & Sponsors.

Sanctuary Lamp: Family & Friends

1st Sunday Of Advent

Weekday Masses: Mon 3rd Dec – Sat 8th Dec 2018

Monday St Francis Xavier, Priest	9:00am	Angelo & Maria Cavalli
Tuesday 1st Week Of Advent	9:00am	Theresa Thorne Adoration 12.00 Noon— 6.00pm
Wednesday 1st Week Of Advent	9.00am	Soul Of Eileen Sheehy & Family
Thursday 1st Week Of Advent	9.00am	Rachel Cole & Val Mooney Church Open For Prayers 9:30am-5.00pm
Friday St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor Of The Church (Memorial)	8.30am 10:00am 3.00pm	Peter & Julie Tyler St Helen's Primary School Advent Mass Miraculous Medal Church Open 9:30am– 5.00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
Saturday Immaculate Conception Of BVM (Solemnity)	9.00am	K.M John Remembrance Mass 10am-11am Confessions/ Reconciliation

Cleaners and Counters

Cleaners- Colette, Kieron & Brian

Counters- This Week **D** next week **A**

+Family Monthly Prayer

Last Friday of each month. Next date is 28th December at 2:00pm in The Lady Chapel.

St Helen's Catholic Primary School

Mrs Kathy Giernalczyk (Head Teacher)

01446 700034

St Richard Gwyn Catholic High School

Mr Stephen Grech (Head Teacher)

01446 729250

Dates for your Diary

+Parish Mass Books

This weekend is the First Sunday Of Advent and so we move to the Purple Parish Mass book Year C volume 1.

+Walk With Me

This pocket size booklet of prayers and reflections for Advent and Christmas 2018 is now available at the back of the Church. The focus of this years 'Walk With Me' is the invitation of Jesus to 'Be holy, for I am holy.'

The Holy Father Pope Francis, reminds us that we are called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves.' Why not sit quietly with **Walk With Me** for a few minutes each day? Why not give a copy of **Walk With Me** to a friend, relative or work colleague?

The booklet costs £1 per copy, 50 pence of this will go to Parish Funds.

+Sanctuary Lamp Envelopes

The sanctuary Lamp envelopes will be available from the Second Sunday Of Advent (8th/9th December) after all Masses at the back of the Church.

+Piety Stall Christmas Stock

Reminder that in the piety stall there is new stock of- Christmas cards, Diaries and calendars. Also available are Rosary beads, Birthday cards, First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and other gifts.

Come and have a browse!

+St Helen's Catholic Primary School Christmas Fayre

St Helen's Catholic Primary School Christmas Fayre will take place on Friday 7th December from 3:30pm at the Key stage Two (Junior) school site.

All Families and friends are welcome!

+Ladies Circle

Wednesday 5th December Rosary in Church at 1:30pm, meeting in the Parish Hall at 2:00pm.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the bring and buy sale last week.

Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 12th December at the Cwm Ciddy restaurant, names to be given to Ann.

+SVP Annual Collection

The SVP's Annual Church Collection will take place after all Masses next weekend 8th & 9th December (2nd Sunday of Advent.) Thank you for your continued support.

+Bible Study Group

The Bible Study Group will meet on Tuesday 4th December at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

+Prize Draw

This Sunday 2nd December, in the parish hall after 10.30am Mass. Some tickets are still available from back of Church. **Reminder** All counterfoils, payments and unsold tickets to be returned by the extended deadline of 11:00am on Sunday morning.

The list of lucky winners will be on display at the back of Church after the draw.

+Parish Bazaar

Many thanks to everyone who contributed in whatever way. The event took place last Saturday, 24th November and raise £1400. This is our major fundraising occasion. Once again, thank you for your generosity which is greatly appreciated.

+The Good Council Network

On Friday 7th December, the Vigil of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country.

Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed, and it really does save lives. www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

+Barry Christmas The Story

The Churches Of Barry invite all Christians to come Together again this year following the success of last year's 'Barry Christmas The Story', where over 2000 people came to see this simple retelling of the Christmas Story. All Christian Churches in the Barry area are invited to come together to tell the story of the birth of Jesus through a 20 minute drama, using music and acting, and voice-over story telling.

The production will be staged at St Mary's Church, Holton Road Barry, just up from the shops in the hope of reaching as many people as possible.

The production will take place from Monday 10th December until Saturday 15th December. Please see poster at the back of Church for performance times. Please come along and show your support for this event you may even see some familiar faces!

+St Richard Gwyn Catholic High

Thanks to those who supported our service of Aid to the Church in Need last week. Our Advent service "Through the eyes of Mary" is on Monday 17th December at 6:00pm. Take a few minutes to reflect with us in words and music on the coming of our Saviour. Afterwards there will be Christmas music and seasonal refreshments and a chance to support our CAFOD virtual village appeal as we raise funds for World Gifts. The service takes place in the School.

+Christmas Flowers

If you wish to contribute to our Christmas flowers there will be a collection after all Masses on the weekend of 15th/16 December.