



# St. Helen's Parish

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**1st November 2020**

**All Saints (Solemnity)**

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**Eucharistic Prayer: I**

**Preface: The Glory Of Jerusalem, Our Mother**

**Due to the Covid-19 Welsh Lockdown, Masses will be celebrated without a congregation until Monday 9th November. Masses will be live streamed, Details below.**



**'Let us all rejoice in the Lord, and praise the Son of God.'**

**Weekday Masses: Mon 2nd Nov– Sat 7th Nov 2020**

<b>Monday</b> The Commemoration Of All The Faithful Departed	8:00am 9:00am	All Souls Sean Williams & Mick Cole
<b>Tuesday</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	9:00am 3:00pm	Jack Crossey Holy Hour
<b>Wednesday</b> St Charles Borromeo	10:00am	Teresa O'Keefe- 100th Birthday
<b>Thursday</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	9:00am	Aldo Cavalli
<b>Friday</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	9:00am 3:00pm	Brian Curtis Divine Mercy Chaplet &
<b>Saturday</b> Weekday in Ordinary Time	No Morning Mass	No Confessions/ Reconciliation

**1st November 2020, All Saints (Solemnity)**

<b>Sunday</b>	10.30am	Mary Lodge, David Olney, Ingrid Grant's Intention & People of the Parish
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**8th November 2020, 32nd Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
**Remembrance Sunday**

<b>Sunday</b>	10:30am	Gavin Russ, For The Dead Of War & People of the Parish
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**Parish Hall Events**

**No Parish Hall Events Until Further Notice**

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

**Sacramental Events**

**Baptism Preparations**– Please contact the parish office for more information.

**RCIA**– Sessions Postponed due to the lockdown. Sessions are due to resume on Thursday 12th November at 7:00pm in the presbytery

**First Holy Communion & Confirmation**– Postponed until further notice.

**Sanctuary Lamp: Holy Souls**

**†Holy Hour, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Stations Of The Cross.**

There will be a live streamed Holy Hour on Tuesday 3rd November at 3:00pm.

Divine Mercy & Stations Of The Cross will be live streamed on Friday 6th November at 3:00pm. Material to follow the Divine Mercy Chaplet & Stations of the Cross can be found below:

Divine Mercy Link- [www.praydivinemeracy.com/](http://www.praydivinemeracy.com/)

Stations Of The Cross Link-

<https://mycatholic.life/catholic-prayers/stations-of-the-cross/>

St Helen's Catholic Primary School

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### **+Dear Parishioners,**

There are events in life that we never get use to as they are alien to our concept of what it means to be human. A universally held principle is the right to be free, while it is understood this does not give permission to encroach upon the freedom of others. It is our concept of freedom that makes it difficult to observe the restrictions imposed upon us by the lockdown that we are being asked to observe. Despite its difficulty people are making a genuine effort to do what is right out of a sense for the common good. This is honourable as each person is working for the good of the other. Nevertheless there is a sense of tension that can lead to frustration asking the question what is the point of it all, if as has been suggested there may not be a cure and we will just have to live with it, ultimately what cannot be cured must be endured.

Responding too soon or too late can have an adverse effect upon that which we wish to resolve. Timing becomes important. Timing requires patience and patience is a virtue that grows from experiences of life so that when the very challenging moments arrive we have the ability to meet what confronts us.

With patience we can make the right decision resulting in the proper outcome. Patience is related to love.

St Paul reminds us love is patient and kind.

“Patience, says St. Thomas, is a virtue attached to the virtue of fortitude, which hinders a man from departing from right reason illumined by faith by yielding to difficulties and to sadness. It makes him bear the evils of life with equanimity of soul, says St. Augustine, without allowing himself to be troubled by vexations.”

We can pray, Dear God, give me the grace to be patient and kind and I certainly will grow in charity.

*-Fr Pat*

### **+November The Month Of The Dead**

As is our Tradition in the month of the Holy Souls a Mass will be said each week for the deceased members of our parish, families and friends.

Due to the circumstances this year, no list for the dead will be provided. At Mass each day there will be a moment to recall to mind our dead.

**Mass on All Souls Day will be at 8:00am & 10:00am.**

### **+Mass Bookings**

Due to the Welsh Government announcement that all churches in Wales have to close until Monday 9th November (except for Weddings & Funerals), Mass bookings are now not being taken.

You will be able to book for Mass for the weekend of 14th/15th November from Tuesday 10th November at 9:00am.

### **+Return To School**

To the pupils, teachers and all involved in St. Helen's Primary School & St Richard Gwyn High School who return this week, every best wish. We hope you have had a restful time and the opportunity to restore your energy and enthusiasm.

May Christ be with you and watch over you.

*-Fr. Pat and Parishioners of St. Helen's.*

### **+Congratulations**

To Mrs Teresa O' Keefe who celebrates her 100th birthday on Wednesday 4th November. Teresa is a faithful parishioner who until recent years was ever present at Mass. One of the positives of the pandemic is the live streaming of Mass which brings joy to Teresa, and many other parishioners who are unable to attend church. Mass on Wednesday (10.00am) will be offered for Teresa's intentions. Though we cannot be with her physically hopefully as many as possible will be united with her in spirit in the celebration of Mass.

Teresa, have a Happy Birthday and a wonderful day. God bless you.

*-Fr. Pat and Parishioners of St. Helen's.*

### **+Hallowe'en– The Night Of Light**

The Night of Light is all about celebrating Hallowe'en as All Hallows' Eve, the vigil of the feast of All Saints - the feast in which we celebrate the glory of God in His saints; The victory of light over darkness in the lives of God's holy ones in heaven.

The following link contains ideas and suggestions intended to help you in holding your own event; activities, themed around the saints, offer plenty of fun and celebration. <https://rcadc.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Night-of-Light-Booklet-2-1.pdf>

In this way, hopefully then, in years to come, when people are asked what immediately springs to mind when they think of Halloween, they will think of Jesus Christ and the glory of God in His saints.

### **+Annual St. Helen's Service in Remembrance**

This year the Service will be live streamed only due to Covid-19. It will take place on Saturday 14th November, at 2.00pm. The service is prepared especially for those who have been recently bereaved. During the service the name of the deceased will be called out and a candle lit in their memory. There will be a moment in the service to remember other deceased parishioners, family members and friends.

### **+Please Pray**

For the repose of the soul of **Marichu Pagalanan** who died recently. Funeral Arrangements to follow.