

St. Helen's Parish

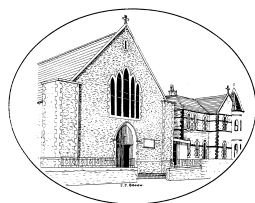
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28th November 2021, 1st Sunday Of Advent

Saturday	6:30pm	Louise Good
Sunday	8:30am	Anna Deasy
	10:30am	Michael Stafford

5th December 2021, 2nd Sunday Of Advent

Saturday	6:30pm	People Of The Parish
Sunday	8:30am	Cathleen Cunningham
	10:30am	Thanksgiving Reetha Saju

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

Parish Hall Events

No Parish Hall Events Until Further Notice

Sacramental Events

Baptism Preparations– Contact the parish office for further details.

First Holy Communion– Presentation of Our Father on Sunday 12th December at the 10:30am Mass.

Children & Parents/Guardians.

Baptism Para Liturgy on Wednesday 15th

December at 5:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Parents/Guardians Only

Collections– 21st November 2021

Ordinary £348.45 Gift Aid £276.00

First Sunday Of Advent 2021

Weekday Masses: Mon 29th Nov – Sat 4th Dec

Monday 1st Week of Advent		No Mass
Tuesday St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland	9:00am– 10:30am	Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion Adoration
Wednesday 1st Week of Advent	9:00am	Maria Pia Eaves
Thursday 1st Week of Advent	9:00am	Andrew Olney
Friday St Francis Xavier, Priest (Memorial)	9:00am 3:00pm	Angelo & Maria Divine Mercy Chaplet & Stations Of The Cross
Saturday 1st Week of Advent	9:00am	Holy Souls 10am-11am Confessions/ Reconciliations

Mass Steward Volunteers

Sat 6:30pm 27th Nov	Marilyn Frayling, Nikki Cole, Paul Burke & Anne Reynish
Sun 8:30am 28th Nov	Chris Owens, Pat Wilkins, Obi Ofokansi & Rachel Jones
Sun 10:30am 28th Nov	Michelle O'Hare, Rebeca Johnson & Soniya Johny
Sat 6:30pm 4th Dec	Marilyn Frayling & Anne Reynish
Sun 8:30am 5th Dec	Chris Owens & Ligi
Sun 10:30am 5th Dec	Michelle O'Hare & Eanna Harkins

Could all stewards please see Kirsty before or after Mass even if they are not stewarding at the Mass.

Sanctuary Lamp: Fr Pat O'Gorman

St Helen's Catholic Primary School

Mrs Michelle Clawson (Acting Head Teacher)

01446 700034

St Richard Gwyn Catholic High School

Mr David Blackwell (Head Teacher)

01446 729250

+Please Pray

For the repose of the soul of **Caroline Hooper, Leonard Frank Little & Maria Catherine White** who died recently. **Funeral Arrangements:**
Caroline Hooper- Requiem Mass on Thursday 2nd December at 11:30am.

Lenard Little- Requiem Mass on Thursday 9th December at 1:00pm.

Maria White- Requiem Mass on Friday 10th December at 11:45am.

+We Are Welcoming You Back

From this Sunday, the First Sunday of Advent, the Bishops of England and Wales want to welcome you back to Sunday Mass. The Season of Advent marks the commencement of the new liturgical year and it will also mark the re-introduction of our canonical obligation to attend Sunday Mass. They are asking all Catholics everywhere to reflect deeply on the centrality of Sunday worship in the life of the Church. They are issuing the invitation to those who have been away, to restore the Sunday Mass to its rightful centrality in their lives.

Remotely tuning into the celebration of Mass via our streaming service proved to be so beneficial when we were unable to attend in person. However, whilst acknowledging that remote electronic participation has been a fruitful compensation for not being able to physically enter our churches, such a connection could never be a substitute for actual attendance and participation in the Sacred Mysteries of our Faith, above all in relation to the Sacrifice of the Mass. A sense of spiritual communion is no long-term substitute for our actual sacramental celebration. Our participation at Mass is not driven by legal canonical obligation but by our love for the Lord who gives himself to us in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood, the Holy Eucharist. Let us joyfully embrace our Sunday obligation each week so as to celebrate and nourish our Catholic faith.

+Covid Restriction Changes

As of next weekend (Second Sunday of Advent), we will again enter and exit the church using the main church door. Please remember to sanitise your hands on entering the Church. The need for the wearing of Facemasks is still required. Welsh Government requires us to continue to Track & Trace, the stewards will no longer take your details when you enter the church we are instead asking you to sign yourselves in at the back of Church. **Reminder:** There will no longer be a one way system in operation inside the building and it is your responsibility to Track & Trace. Please be assured that regular cleaning will continue to be carried out.

+Parish Mass Books

From this weekend (First Sunday of Advent) we will reintroduce the use of Parish Mass Books, they can be collected from the porch on entering the church and returned to the porch when exiting the church. The Parish Mass Book will be Year C- Volume 1.

+Recommencing Tea & Coffee After 10:30am Sunday Mass

Step by step we need to re-establish our opportunities to gather socially as well as liturgically. The weekly opportunity to chat and share experiences holds enormous value for a parish community. If you are willing to assist then please contact the Parish Office.

+The Synod Of Bishops 2021-2023

The Synod representatives will be meeting for a group meeting on Monday 29th with a view to planning out the strategy for participation of Parishioners and the various Parish groups. Please pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance.

+Annual Prize Draw

Donations- This year the Annual Prize Draw is Back! We would be grateful for donations of Raffle prizes. If you are able to donate Marilyn Frayling will be available After the 10:30am Mass this Sunday (28th November) and next Sunday (4th December) to receive any donations. Alternivtly you can contact Marilyn on 01446 408959 or contact the parish office.

Tickets- Tickets are on sale from the Piety Stall in the parish hall after all Weekend Masses. Tickets are priced at £1 per book of 4 tickets in envelopes of 5 books per envelopes. All payments, counterfoils, and any unsold tickets **must** be returned by Friday 10th December. The Prize Draw will take place on Sunday 12th December after the 10:30am Mass in the parish hall. Refreshments will be available.

+St Vincent De Paul Society

The SVP is having its annual Christmas collection next weekend (Second Sunday Of Advent) after all Masses. In the last year we have supported many people with food, food vouchers, a washing machine and a cooker. We have also helped with energy payments. On one occasion we enabled a family to move to a larger council house by helping them with their rent arrears. We know that our intervention has made a great difference in their lives. We could not do this work without your generous Support, thank you all.

+Quote- Pope Francis

‘Advent is a time of waiting for our Lord, who will visit us all in our own hearts.
The Lord is Coming! Let us wait for him!’