

St. Helen's Parish

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Second Sunday Of Lent

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'For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ.'

13th March 2022, 2nd Sunday Of Lent

Sunday	6:30pm	People Of The Parish
	8:30am	Mark Anthony Fonte
	10:30am	John Coll

20th March 2022, 3rd Sunday Of Lent

Saturday	6:30pm	People Of The Parish
Sunday	8:30am	Ted Svendson & Mary Dodds
	10:30am	Laura Tyler & Winifred Martin

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 Preparation— Contact the parish office for further details.

First Holy Communion— Sessions continue on Thursday 17th March at 3:30pm in St Helen's Catholic Primary School. Children Only.

Confirmation— Reminder to attend weekend Mass. Stations of the Cross on 1st April at 7:00pm.

Sanctuary Lamp: Jean & Ivor Harry

Weekday Masses: Mon 14th March— Sat 19th March

Monday 2nd Week Of Lent	9:00am	Fr Pat
Tuesday 2nd Week Of Lent	9:00am 9:30am— 12 Noon 4:00pm	Massie Bannister Adoration Reception into Church— Istvan Naray
Wednesday 2nd Week Of Lent	12:30pm	Requiem Mass— Istvan Naray
Thursday St Patrick, Bishop, Patron of Ireland (Feast)	6:30am- 7:15am 7:30am	Adoration Maureen Brown Church Open for Prayers 6:00am-5:00pm
Friday 2nd Week Of Lent	9:30am 2:30pm 3:00pm 7:00pm	May & Cecil Matthews & David James White Church Open for Prayers 9:00am— 5:00pm Stations Of the Cross Divine Mercy Stations Of The Cross
Saturday St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9:00am 10am-11am	Joseph Cavalli Confessions/ Reconciliation

+Covid Restrictions Update

It is no longer Mandatory in Wales to wear a face covering in places of worship, it is up to the individual if they choose to wear a face covering in Church.

Track and trace is expected to end within our church on Monday 28th March, this is the date when all Covid restrictions still in place in Wales is expected to cease.

Collections— 6th March 2022

Ordinary-£358.93

Gift Aid-£264.80

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 **Istvan Naray** (Father of Katalin Naray) who died recently .

Funeral Arrangements: Reception into Church on Tuesday 15th March at 4:00pm. Requiem Mass on Wednesday 16th March at 12:30pm

+Time For Prayer

Anxiety, tension, and fear seem to be our lot as we begin to exit from the affects of the pandemic and enter what is being seen as a new era, that for some is reminiscent of the Cold War. Removed as we are from the devastating and harrowing scenes blighting the landscape of Ukraine, the effects of the carnage will touch all our lives as the Western world stands in solidarity with the people of Ukraine. Though we may not experience the destruction of our cities, it is being forecast that hardship lies ahead and the poverty chain will increase as the price of fuel and food rises. The uncertain future weighs heavily upon the nation and Western World. President Zelensky has been and is a courageous inspiration in the most difficult of situations. This is not the time for the dropping of the shoulder or the sinking of the heart. In the presence of evil we hold before us the image of the Cross, the moment when good overcame evil, a reminder that good ultimately triumphs over wickedness. While we may feel shell shocked and helpless we are never without hope for we possess the power of prayer, which we should never underestimate. We turn to God who hears the cry of his people, so we pray and pray and pray. There is the simple prayer, in you, O Lord, I place my trust, in you, O Lord, I place my hope. Be confident. We may be journeying through Lent, nevertheless we do have Easter and the Resurrection to look forward to. *-Fr Pat*

+Lenten Alms

It seems appropriate that the Lenten Alms this year be allocated to those suffering from war in Ukraine. The First Minister has already announced that refugees will be welcomed to Wales as a Place of Sanctuary. There is a very exciting project underway for us to support and encourage that welcome. Further details will be published as soon as possible. Prayer and Almsgiving are constituent components of our Lenten journey. The Lenten Alms will contribute to substantial aid for Ukraine's refugees and will put 'flesh' on our prayers. Given the urgency of the Ukraine situation, the Lenten Alms from our parish will be send weekly to Archbishop's House for onward transmission to Bishop Nowokowski at the Ukrainian Catholic Church in London.

+Returning To Church

While the circulation of the Covid virus continues in society, the clear direction of the government is that following the successful roll-out of the vaccination programme, the usual patterns of life should now return. Those who have not yet felt able to return to church are encouraged to consider returning. While places of worship look and feel more 'normal' now, please be assured that there are still measures in place to keep everyone as safe as possible, these include: Regular cleaning of the building, hand sanitiser available on entering the church, those wishing to continue wearing a face covering may do so during the celebration of Mass, Holy communion will continue under only one Kind, Those who distribute Holy Communion to wear a face covering when doing so & 'please leave a space' cards available if you would like the seat next to you to remain empty. A warm welcome awaits you!

+CAFOD Family Fast Day Retiring Collection

There will be a retiring collection at all Masses this weekend for the CAFOD Family Fast day. Envelopes are still available at the back of the Church.

+Celebrate The Feast Of St Patrick's Day

Mass in Honour of St. Patrick at St David's Cathedral, Cardiff at 12:45pm & 6:00pm on 17th March. The evening Mass will be followed by a short procession to the Cornerstone Garden and candles will be placed on the Irish Town Memorial Stone. St Patrick Ceilidh at the Cornerstone, Cardiff, Traditional Irish Band & Two Couse Dinner cost £20 per person. To book please call 02920 494 425.

+Sacramental Preparation

Reminder: Could all parents of Children preparing to celebrate First Holy Communion & Confirmation ask one of the Catechist's or Stewards to sign your Child in to show that they have attended weekend Mass.

+Metanoia

The Metanoia weekly sessions continue on Thursday 17th March at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

+APF Red Boxes

Please collect your APF Red Boxes from the back of the Church this Weekend.

+Track & Trace Slip

Name:

Contact Number:

Group Size:
