



**Plwyf a Gysegrfan Genedlaethol Cymru, Mair y Tapyr, Aberteifi**

Parish and Shrine of Our Lady of the Taper, Cardigan  
**Mair Frenhines Tangnefedd, Castell Newydd Emlyn**

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**Location, Times and Intentions of Holy Mass for the Coming week**

Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	<b>Vigil</b>	6:30pm	Newcastle Emlyn	Pro Populo
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	10:30am	Cardigan	Pro Populo
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	<i>St Francis Xavier</i>	<b>10:00am</b>	Cardigan	Cyril Morgan RIP Anniv. (Madelaine)
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December		<b>NO MASS</b>		
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> December		6:30pm	Cardigan	Valentine & Mary Murray Anniv. (Sr Angela)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	<i>St Nicholas</i>	10:30am	Newcastle Emlyn	John Walsh RIP (Mollie Walsh)
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	<i>Dedication of the Cathedral Church</i>	6:30pm	Cardigan	Teresa Violet Warth RIP Anniv. (Douglas Warth)
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	<i>Immaculate Conception</i>	10:30am 6:30pm	Cardigan Newcastle Emlyn	Thanksgiving Pro Populo
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>	10:30am 12:00pm	Cardigan Cardigan	Pro Populo <i>Baptism of Leo Isaac Wilsdon-Amos</i>



**Confessions**

Cardigan:

Saturday: after Mass

Sunday: 10:00am-10:25am

Newcastle Emlyn

Saturday: 6:00pm-6:25pm



**Adoration: before weekday Mass**

**Adoration & Benediction** : Saturday Morning after Mass

**A warm welcome to all visitors to the National Shrine in Cardigan and to the Parish of Newcastle Emlyn - Croeso – Welcome – Bienvenido – Witamy – Benvenuto**

**Recent collections:** Newcastle Emlyn TBA; Cardigan 25/11 £209.98, Thank you for your generosity.

**The Season of Advent:** The word “Advent” is derived from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning “coming,” which is a translation of the Greek word *parousia*. Scholars believe that during the 4th and 5th centuries in Spain and Gaul, Advent was a season of preparation for the baptism of new Christians at the January feast of Epiphany, the celebration of God’s incarnation represented by the visit of the Magi to the baby Jesus (Matthew 2:1), his baptism in the Jordan River by John the Baptist (John 1:29), and his first miracle at Cana (John 2:1). During this season of preparation, Christians would spend 40 days in penance, prayer, and fasting to prepare for this celebration; originally, there was little connection between Advent and Christmas. By the 6th century, however, Roman Christians had tied Advent to the coming of Christ. But the “coming” they had in mind was not Christ’s first coming in the manger in Bethlehem, but his second coming in the clouds as the judge of the world. Today, the season of Advent lasts for four Sundays leading up to Christmas. At that time, the new Christian year begins with the twelve-day celebration of Christmastide, which lasts from Christmas Eve until Epiphany on January 6. (Advent begins on Sunday that falls between November 27th and December 3rd each year.)



**Advent Walk with me books:** are very helpful with daily meditations for the season of Advent. Copies are available at the back of the Church for just £1 each. Please help yourselves.

**Red MISSIO Boxes** : If you have a collection box, please could you bring it in for counting. In Cardigan – please return your boxes to Ann, and In Newcastle Emlyn – please bring them to Paula. Many thanks for your generosity!\_

**The Cardigan Grand Christmas Draw:** will take place on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Please make an extra special effort to sell the last remaining books of tickets. They are available from Sr Angela and volunteers after Mass. Many thanks !

**Cardigan Christmas Fayre:** Raised £635. Many thanks to all the kind volunteers, and all who helped in any way !

**Cardigan Renovations:** Unfortunately are dependent on the weather – they will continue when the rain relents.

**Newcastle Emlyn Renovations:** are making very good progress with the Sacristy and Confessional area nearing completion, and we hope the new back window will be installed over the next week.

**Important dates for your Diary:**

**14<sup>th</sup> December** - Newcastle Emlyn Carol Service

“Suffering is a call to conversion: it reminds us of our frailty and vulnerability”- Pope Francis

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