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

The Church in Cardigan is open for Mass!

THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS ON SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS IS STILL SUSPENDED!

However, the opportunity to attend Mass is made available to all who are not shielding, and you are encouraged to come only when you feel safe to come together to pray. We have made sure all the necessary guidance and procedures for maintaining a safe environment for public prayer are in place, as the safety and wellbeing of this community of faith is paramount.

The building and practices have been assessed, and passed for public worship.



<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Intention</i>
Friday 28 th August St Augustine	6:30pm	Gerry France
Saturday 29 th August <i>Vigil of 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	6:30pm	Muriel Culley RIP (A Fitzsimons)
Sunday 30 th August <i>22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	10:30am	People of the Parishes
Monday 31 st August	10:30am	Thanksgiving (Dela)

An act of Spiritual Communion by St Alphonsus: My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



When you come to Mass - Please follow the safety instructions.

- **Provide contact details (Name, address, telephone number) that could be used for contact tracing** – Please write down your details on a piece of paper and bring it with you to Mass, as this will make “check-in” much quicker. It will be kept in a sealed envelope for 3 weeks and then shredded. This will ONLY be used in need for contact tracing.
- **Maintain social distancing of 2 meters both inside and outside the Church**
- **Use hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the building**
- **Wear a mask / face covering while in the Church**
- **Follow the directions of the volunteer stewards**

Please Note: You can come to ANY Mass. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy days is suspended.

Please do not all come to Sunday Mass – if you can come to another Mass, please do so. We only have 38 places plus 2 on the Sanctuary. If you can come Saturday, all the better.

The Church in Newcastle Emlyn: will remain closed until further notice, as there is not adequate room to provide for social distancing rules needed to allow us to celebrate Mass in reasonable numbers. Please God, we will open soon.

We all have a role to play in caring for each other: whether it be in observing social distancing, or keeping in touch with someone living alone. Whatever it is, let us do our best to show the love of God in the smallest things of each day.

Congratulations to the young people in our parishes: who have recently received their A level and GCSE results. Our altar servers in Cardigan (recent and present) have done extremely well, and are looking forward to their further studies – Chris (who will be going to study pharmacy), Sean and Kathryn did extremely well, as did Rebecca Doyle, who will be going on to study Nursing. Please keep them and all Students and teachers who are preparing to start the academic year in the coming weeks. May God bless, and watch over them all.

Giving financial support to our parishes: there is no collection taken at Mass at the moment, as it presents a risk of contamination or spread of the coronavirus, however, there is a bucket at the back of the Church for you to put in your usual collection. An easier way to make a regular donation is to set up a standing order with your bank. Please either collect a form from the wardens or Fr Phillip to set up a direct debit to either Cardigan or Newcastle Emlyn Parishes, and if you pay TAX, please ask for a gift aid form also, as this allows our parishes to claim money from the government, at no charge to the donor. Thank you in advance for your kindness and support.

You can watch daily Mass on the internet

- www.churchservices.tv
 - www.mcnmedia.tv
 - www.ewtn.com
 - www.youtube.com/godzdogz
 - www.walsingham.org.uk
 - www.vaticannews.va/en.html
- Sky TV EWTN on channel 588

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Response to the psalm :- “For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.”

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel - Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. ‘Heaven preserve you, Lord;’ he said ‘this must not happen to you.’ But he turned and said to Peter, ‘Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God’s way but man’s.’

Then Jesus said to his disciples, ‘If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?’

‘For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.’



A short reflection

If we go to the cinema or theatre, we are often asked if we want VIP or premier seats and if we do want to sit in the most comfortable seats, it will cost us extra. Often, those who consider themselves to be celebrities and famous people never sit at the back. They always sit where they will be seen, heard and noticed.

In our gospel this Sunday, Jesus very clearly warns us about this attitude of self-importance. Being a follower of Jesus is not about power, prestige or demanding the best seats in the house (or the church). In God’s eyes, we are all invited to the table of the Lord as equals. None of us can really demand the best seat, as if such a thing exists or to expect special treatment; we all come before God just as we are.

When we gather around the altar of God, it is not only as invited guests, but as the family of God, as brothers and sisters of Jesus and as each other’s brother and sister. Being a follower of Jesus is about humility. This is not to be confused with weakness or meekness. Humility speaks of an inner quality of recognizing and appreciating who we are, the place of God in our lives and our relationship to other people.

Jesus uses the symbol of the meal to teach something about the true ‘place of honour’ at his ‘wedding banquet.’ This place of honour is not reserved for the select few. We are all invited to sit at the table with Jesus as his honoured guests. We are also called to live and act as Jesus. He is our host who gently calls us to deepen our friendship with him and each other. Every time we accept his most generous invitation, he seats us at his ‘place of honour.’ How blessed and honoured we are! To be a follower of Jesus is to try our best to live like him. He came to serve not to be served. To be a disciple of Jesus is to put others first and serve them.

Each time we celebrate the Eucharist, we are not only fed and nourished ourselves, we are also called to share the richness of God’s life by reaching out to others, especially those in need. We sit at the table with Jesus so we can be generous and gracious to others. This week, whose needs can I put before my own? Who can I serve this week?

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