

Newsletter 3rd Jan 2021

Year B

Year of St Joseph

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My Dear People, May I wish you and your loved ones a very Happy, blessed, healthy and safe and better 2021. It was great that the 3 new year Mases were all fully booked and shows your desire to start the year well for whatever may lay ahead of us.

Forthcoming funerals (invitation only) Josie O Brien Thursday 7 th Jan, Quirino Miltz Monday 11th Jan ,Michael O 'Hea Thursday 24th Jan, Don O Callaghan TBA

Please keep the dick and dying in your prayers There have been 9 last rites since Christmas Eve which now brings total to 22 deaths in this second wave so far. As you will know the next few weeks will be demanding as the numbers of cases will increase from Christmas and new year

The Feast of the Epiphany is Wednesday Jan 6 th Holy Mass 9.30am + 7.30 pm

Please note the Obligation to attend Mass is still suspended but I know many of you benefit and find strength from Daily Mass and Holy Communion. **NB** Many of the Churches have now cancelled Mass until February but we will continue as long as we adhere to all the precautions that we have in place here in the parish. It is essential that parishioners now book their place by a Friday for the weekend as we are receiving requests from others outside of the parish for a place at Mass.

Online Mass The company chosen by the Diocese to install cameras for the online mass have given a quote of £2,000. If there are a number of parishioners who would like to donate then perhaps we can peruse this.

Generic Hospital Chaplaincy The Rota for me to look after our non- Catholic friends dying with Covid in Neath Port Talbot and Singleton has been extended until Feb due to the present situation.

Baptisms

Please note that after the next batch of baptism (3 in January/ Feb) there will be no further baptisms until after Easter due to the demands at the hospital with the pandemic and the subsequent funerals.

3rd Jan 2nd Sunday after Christmas

Please book place with the sisters
Vigil 5.30pm Louise- health - Pillar
9.30am Sr Anna mai- Lambert R + J George
11am Mary Dalton Health Doris
4pm Latin EF Pro Pop
8pm Int of Betty and Joan

Mon 4th Jan

9.30am Holy Mass Holy Souls D O'Connor

Tue 5th Jan

St Anthony Novena 9.15am
Holy Mass 9.30am V Marrinaccio Monthly Mass Family

Wed 6th Jan The Epiphany

9.30am Mry + Bill Ann + John
7.30pm Holy Mass Josie O Shea Regan/Wilks Family

Thursday 7th Jan

9.30am Holy Mass Int of Wanda Birthday
1.30 Funeral Service Josie O Brian RIP

Fri 8th Jan

7.30pm Holy Mass Int of Eryl Birthday Blessings

9th Jan

10.15am The Rosary
10.30 am Holy Mass Veronica- Health -

10th Jan The Baptism of the Lord

Please book

place with the Sisters

Vigil 5.30pm Int of Dessia -Christine + Diane
9.30am Sr Margaret Lambert R + J George
11am John + Rosina Thomas Glenys
8pm Novena Mass 1 -Nov Dead List

The End of Christmas Tide.

Sinulog 2021 in honour of the Santo Nino of Cebu

18th Jan

There will be a Triduum of preparation for the annual feast at the following times

15 th Jan Thursday 10 am
(after the 9.30 mass)

16 th Jan Fri 7 .15 pm
before the 7.30 pm mass

17 th Sat 10 am before 10.15 am Rosary and the 10.30 am mass

18th January Feast of the Santo Nino

The Fillipino Community will live stream this special Mass

Adoration

Will I resume after lockdown . The lock down will be reviewed by the Senedd on Jan 18th and so we will know more details then of restarting.

Hour of Mercy -The 3pm hour of Mercy will be livestreamed from the Presbytery chapel until further notice and until completion of the lockdown. This will on the Shrine Facebook.

Novena of Mases 2021 November Dead List

10 Jan – 18 Jan

12 Feb – 20th Feb

9 March – 16th March

12 April -19th April

Booking Sunday Mass To book a place at any of the Weekend Masses please contact the Sisters on 07380896874 Booking is required with the full schedule being resumed so that Social Distancing can be maintained

Track and Trace and the App By booking your place at Sunday Mass we are able to follow the recommendation for Track and Trace. We also now have our own unique code for you to scan with the NHS App. The code is located on both the Entry door and Exit point.

Year of the Word

Gospel of St Mark are now on sale at £2 a nice cheap Christmas gift. The Forward to the Gospel has been written by Bishop Brignall of the Diocese of Wrexham.

Welsh Province Year book 2021

A small number are available for sale £2.50

Catechism Classes and 1st Holy Communion 2021 and 2022

1st Communion classes for 2021 have begun with the 1st year of catechism class from Sr Jaqis class now registered.

Tanya Jacobs

Matthew Anto

Abel Stephens

Chrisvin Benny

Registration forms are with the sisters for any other children who wish to attending classes starting in January 2021 after the lockdown and when schools return.

Supporting your church

Envelopes for your offering for 2021 are now available in the porch.

Many thanks to you all for your continued financial support during these trying times. It is great that many if you have standing orders/ direct debit

I urge ALL parishioners to consider adopting this method of giving. It is easy to do. You just need to give the following information about our Parish bank account, to your bank, in order to set it up.

Sort Code: 55-61-21 Account Number: 02131633 Account Name: parish of Morriston Diocese of Menevia Ref Sunday Collection

Please be assured that your donations/offerings greatly assist the Parish financially - especially during these most challenging of times. Thank you, most sincerely.

Here is the standing order form to give to your bank

<https://sacredheartmorrison.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Standing-order-form.pdf>

and Gift Aid form if you are a U.K. tax payer to give to Father Jason

<https://sacredheartmorrison.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Gift-Aid-form.pdf>

Readers With the extra masses on a Sunday we are in need of readers for the rota.

If you are a reader (or would like to become one) then please indicate this to the sisters when you book your place at Sunday Mass. This will also give you the essential time to prepare the reading beforehand.

Sacred Heart Centre is closed until after Lockdown



Year of St Joseph

The Holy Father has announced a Year dedicated to St Joseph to mark the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of St Joseph as Patron of the Church.

Various pastoral proposals are made in the Apostolic letter of the Pope which includes setting the 19th of the month aside to honour St Joseph, Wednesdays of the Year to be dedicated to him. Observance of the feast of the Holy Family, March 19th and May 1st.

Items of piety will be available soon for our homes to remind us of this Year. Also I am producing a sheet with the recommended prayers of the Holy Father in honour of St Joseph.

On the Feast of the Holy Family- Sunday 28th Dec, there will be a special Blessing of a Shrine for the Year with the beautiful Wooden Statue that we have of St Joseph.

Below is one of the prayers given to us by the Holy Father.

Prayer to St Joseph for the Year of St

Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the

Redeemer,

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son;

in you Mary placed her trust;

with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,

show yourself a father

and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,

and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Further prayers may be found here

<https://yearofstjoseph.org/devotions/prayers/>

[To Read the full letter of the Holy father follow the link below](#)

http://m.vatican.va/content/francescomobile/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html