



CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Archdiocesan Shrine of Divine Mercy

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SEPTEMBER 2026

Sanctuary candle sponsor: Vera John

23rd Week in Ord. Time, Cycle A, Year II

Psalter Week 3

Pope’s Intention for September: For just and sustainable management of water. Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Sacred Heart Church Services

The Church is open **7:00 am– 9:00 pm** for private prayer and visits to the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration: weekdays 1 hr before Mass | Confession Times: see overleaf

6 Sun – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 pm Lysander Verbosidad RIP – 9th Day Novena (*Donor: Verbosidad Family*)

9:30 am Birthday blessings (*Mr & Mrs Richard & Timi Khanoba*)

11:00 am Birthday blessing – Paul Relf

1:30 pm Latin Mass – For the souls in Purgatory of Electricians

8:00 pm Mary and Anthony anniversary

7 Mon – Weekday in Ord. Time

9:30 am Birthday Blessing – Paul Relf (*Donor: Sisters*)

8 Tue – Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:30 am Thanksgiving (*Chavez Family*)

7:30 pm Thanksgiving - Sr Jacqueline

9 Wed – Weekday in Ord. Time

7:30 pm For Pagalanan & Dominguiano Families

10 Thur – Weekday in Ord. Time

9:30 am Stanislaw Zak – Birthday blessings

11 Fri – St Deiniol, Bishop

9:30 am Sr Miriam – birthday blessings

7:30 pm Mathew Varghese – death anniversary (*Scaria Family*)

12 Sat – The Holy Name of Mary, Patron of the Diocese

10:10 am Rosary

10:30 am Eleanor Hampton RIP - Death Anniversary

NB. The Rosary on Saturdays will now regularly start at 10:10 am.

Parish Sisters:

Sr. Mini, Sr. Jacque,

Sr. Miriam

Convent:

**15 Horeb Road,
Morriston, Swansea
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minethomas@ymail.com

Sunday Coffee

10:30 am

Parish Centre

Knitting Group

Mondays 2:00 pm

Church Back Room

Choir Practice

Sundays 4:15 pm

Parish Centre

(restart 13 Sept)

Lectio Divina

Mondays 7:00 pm

Sisters’ Convent

Legion of Mary

Tuesdays

Junior Legion (*break*)

Parish Legion 4:30 pm

Coffee Morning (Thu)

Parish Centre

SVP Meeting

Church Back Room

Hour of Mercy

Fridays 3:00 pm

Supporting the Parish

Acct. Name:

**Cardiff-Menevia
Diocesan Trust**

Acct No : **02131633**

Sort Code: **55-61-21**

**Available dates for Mass
Intentions:**

At time of writing:

September 18, 24, 28, 30

BULLETIN

PARISH / ARCHDIOCESE

From the Parish Priest:

Confession Times:

- Monday: 8:35–8:55 am
- Tuesday: 8:35–8:55 am
- Wednesday: 6:35–7:00 pm
- Thursday: 8:35–8:55 am
- Friday: 6:35–7:00 pm
- Saturday: 11:00–11:30 am & 5:00–5:20 pm
- Sunday: 20 minutes before each Mass and, when necessary, during Mass.

Fr Rod: Fr Rod is currently on holiday. We wish him a restful and enjoyable break.

Fr Marvin: A heartfelt thank you to Fr Marvin for all his help and ministry in our parish during August. Fr Marvin has now returned to Rome to continue his studies in Canon Law. We are very grateful for his presence among us and wish him every blessing in his studies and priestly ministry.

Fr Artur: would like to thank everyone who kindly sent good wishes and congratulations to his parents on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of their Sacrament of Marriage. Your kindness and prayers were very much appreciated.

Donation: A heartfelt thank you to our Knitting Group for their generous donation of £100. The money has been passed on to the St Brother Albert Home for the Homeless in Mielec, Poland. Thank you for your kindness and support for those in need.

First Communion Class: Enrolment 6 September (*Sunday at 11 am Mass*). First Communion Class will start on 12 September.

10-11 October 2026: Visitation of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue (NPVS) of Our Lady of Fatime and the relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco at the Cathedral Church of St. David, Cardiff.

Organ lessons: restart w/c 21 September see Paul

Parish sisters: Srs Mini and Jacque will be away in Rome from 8th – 17th September.

WAF Symposium Belmont Abbey: Fatima & First Saturdays Devotion Saturday, 21 November 2026, 9.00 am–6.00 pm: We are considering hiring a parish coach to Belmont Abbey for the WAF Symposium on Fatima and the First Saturdays Devotion. If you would be interested in travelling with us, please let us know as soon as possible. Online registration is available through the organisers.

PARISH FINANCE *Sunday Collection*

Standing Order (*whole August*) : £6,714.50

Last Sunday's Collection (1/2) : £276.42

Loose plate : £ 181.42

Gift aid : £ 95

Cleaning / Flower Rota: We are kindly inviting the different communities to offer a monthly service for cleaning and flowers. Please come as group of families and friends to make the service more productive and enjoyable. Kindly schedule with Sr. Mini.

Sanctuary Candle donors:

Coleen

Kevin

Sr Mini

Sr Jaque

Unbound Ministry – Information Afternoon: An information afternoon on Unbound, a simple and safe model of prayer for deliverance, will take place at All Hallows, Miskin (CF72 8PG) on **Tuesday, 15th September, from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm.** The afternoon will include an introduction to Unbound, testimonies and teaching from **Susan Walsh, Fr Antonio Ritaccio and Revd Dr Gareth Leyshon.** Prayer teams will also be available. Refreshments will be available from 1:00 pm.

An online Unbound course will begin on 22nd September.

Adoremus Eucharistic Congress – London

The Archdiocese is organising a day trip to St George's Cathedral, London, for the **Adoremus Eucharistic Congress on Saturday, 10th October 2026.** Coaches will depart from Swansea, Bridgend, Cardiff and Newport. The cost is £40 per person, including transport. The pilgrimage is open to those aged 16 and over. Appropriate safeguarding arrangements will be in place for participants under 18. **Anyone wishing to attend is asked to inform their Dean before submitting an application. Places will be allocated fairly across the deaneries.** The deadline for expressions of interest is **7th September 2026.** **Anyone not returning on the coach must indicate this on the application form.** **Further information:**

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/adoremus-2026/>

ARCHDIOCESE

WAF Symposium: Fatima & First Saturdays Devotion. 21 November 2026 (9:00 am to 6:00pm) @ Belmont Abbey. The World Apostolate of Fatima invites you to join parishioners from across the region for a day of faith, prayer, and renewal under Our Lady's mantle at the upcoming World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) Symposium.

Featured Speakers include: **Sr Angela de Fátima Coelho** (Vice Postulator for the Cause of Beatification and Canonisation of Venerable Sr Lucia de Jesus), **Fr Lawrence Lew, OP** (General Promoter of The Holy Rosary) The day will include Holy Mass, dedicated times for the Holy Rosary and Fatima prayers, an open Q&A forum, and insightful talks on living the Fatima message and fruitfully meditating on the Rosary mysteries. Attendance is free (bring your own packed lunch). Lunch, dinner, and accommodation can be provided, subject to charge. To Register: Visit [https:// bit.ly/4uOwAGN](https://bit.ly/4uOwAGN). For more details, contact 07788473210 (Mon-Fri 9:00-17:00) or email membership@waf-ew.org.uk

CAFOD Venezuela Earthquake Appeal. You can help our neighbours affected by the 24 June earthquakes in Venezuela with emergency shelter, water and food. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners to support people who have lost their homes, but we need your support to help more survivors. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives. Donate to the CAFOD-DEC Venezuela Earthquake Appeal today: cafod.org.uk/Venezuela or call 0300 999 0030. Please keep our neighbours in Venezuela in your prayers.

Message from Archbishop Mark: There will be a Second Reading and vote in the House of Commons for the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life Bill) on 11 September. As Catholics, we oppose this legislation in principle as it attacks the innate dignity of every person. It is also very poorly written and gives no safeguards to healthcare staff, nursing homes, or hospices all of whom will be pressured to implement the bill if the legislation is passed. I encourage all Catholics to write to their MP. The Bishops' Conference has produced has a scannable QR code, available on its website at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposingassisted-suicide/>. On the page, there are various resources, copies of statements and guidance on writing to your

MP, and please, please do so, to protect the most vulnerable in our society. Many thanks, +Mark Archbishop of Cardiff-Menevia.

Aid to the Church in Need (CAN) Article 18 Petition Appeal. People around the world continue to suffer simply because of the faith they hold dear — facing discrimination, violence, imprisonment and even death. Their freedom to believe, worship and live out their faith is a basic human right, yet for millions it remains out of reach — and they need us to be their voice.

That's why ACN has launched its first-ever global religious freedom petition, calling on national governments and the United Nations to take urgent action to protect this fundamental right. At the heart of this campaign is Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which guarantees freedom of thought, conscience and religion — including the right to change one's belief and to practice it openly or privately.

By signing, you are standing in solidarity with those who cannot speak freely for themselves and helping to send a powerful message that religious freedom must be protected everywhere, for everyone.

[Click here to sign the petition and make your voice count](#)

Please share the link or QR code with your friends and family and help us build a powerful voice for those who cannot speak freely — together, we can make a lasting difference in the lives of our suffering brothers and sisters.

The Guild of St Stephen for Altar Servers and the Maryvale Institute run an annual 6-month course for adult Altar Servers, exploring the history of liturgy, the sacraments, scripture, communication, leadership and people skills and the theology of service. There are no pre-requisite education requirements, and it is delivered online in 1-hour monthly evening sessions, with an optional one day in-person session at Oscott College, Birmingham at the end of the course. The deadline for registration for the next cohort is 15th September 2026. For more information see the attached flyer or the Guild of St Stephen website guildofststephen.org/certificate or email Deacon Paul Briers on certificate@guildofststephen.org.

Creationtide Launch Invitation — 1st September 2026, 8pm online:

The 'Jubilee Garden Project' invites us to use physical space to heal, transform and renew. It takes three patrons - Mary, Martha and Lazarus of Bethany, among Jesus' closest friends - representing Faith, Hope and Charity. Enacting each patron and virtue in the garden becomes a way of rebuilding communion with God, neighbour and earth - and, in turn, trust in ourselves. Tending the garden becomes a living act of care: for our community, and for our own faith journey.

Join us, The God Who Speaks, as we celebrate the launch in partnership with the Ecological Conversion Group.

Register at: www.jubileegarden.org/events

WE'RE HIRING – CLERGY WELFARE OFFICER:

The Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia is seeking a **Clergy Welfare Officer** to support priests approaching retirement, already retired, or on sick leave — helping with health, finance, housing and care needs. A rewarding part-time role for someone with a heart for pastoral care and experience in healthcare or social services. 14 hours per week | £32,000 pro rata. Closing date: 26th September 2026. For an information pack and application forms, or to ask a question, please email hr@cardiffmenevia.org.



Follow the Archdiocese on WhatsApp:

Get Archbishop Mark's messages, plus Archdiocesan news, parish news, events, prayers and Vatican updates, sent straight to your phone - free, and you can leave anytime.



Archdiocese August 2026 Newsletter Is Out Now:

The August newsletter from the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia is out now. This issue features a foreword from Lucy Williams of Caritas Cardiff-Menevia on the Jubilee year of St Francis and the upcoming Season of Creation, news of Deacon Alan de Ste Croix's ordination to the Permanent Diaconate, Archbishop Mark's re-appointment to the International Council for Catechesis, St Joseph's RC Primary School's LiveSimply Award, details of the Caritas event in Bridgend on 10th October, and a call to write to your MP ahead of the Assisted Suicide Bill's Second Reading on 11th September. To read the full newsletter, visit the Archdiocesan website (<https://rcadc.org/sign-up-for-our-monthly-newsletter/>) or scan the QR Code.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2026 – SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA:

Young adults aged 18–30 are invited to join the Emmaus Encounter pilgrimage to World Youth Day, taking place from 28th July to 9th August in Seoul, South Korea. The package includes airport transfers, bed & breakfast accommodation, 4 nights in the Diocese of Incheon and 7 nights in Seoul with access to all main WYD events, plus daily Mass and formation. Archbishop Mark will be accompanying the group throughout. The cost is £1,500 plus flight fare, with spaces limited and allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. To join or find out more, scan the QR code on the parish noticeboard, email wyd@cardiffmenevia.org, or call 02920 379490.