

Catholic Parishes of Aberystwyth and Lampeter

Plwyfi Catholig Aberystwyth a Llanbedr Pont Steffan

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23 rd February 2025 7 th Week of Ordinary Time Year C Weekday Year I Psalter Week III			
Date	Welsh Martyrs Merthyrion Cymru	Holy Cross Groes Sanctaidd	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel
Sun 23rd February	8:30am Holy Mass <i>Pro populo</i> 10:00am Reconciliation 10:30am Holy Mass <i>lestyn Daniel RIP</i>	9:00am Holy Mass <i>Holy Souls</i>	11:00am Holy Mass <i>Pro populo</i>
Mon 24th February			
Tue 25th February			6:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 7:00pm Mass <i>Rev. Matthew Roche-Saunders</i>
Wed 26th February	9:00am Adoration 10:00am Holy Mass <i>Rosina di Marco & family</i>		
Thu 27th February	UNIVERSITY CAMPUS – CAMPWS Y BRIFYSGOL 6:30pm Reconciliation 7:00pm Holy Mass <i>Ad mentem dantes</i>	9:30pm Adoration & Reconciliation 10:30pm Mass <i>H.H. Pope Francis</i>	
Fri 28th February	5:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation 6:00pm Mass <i>Holy Souls</i>		
Sat 1st March St David, Patron of Wales, founder of our diocese.	9:30am Adoration & Reconciliation 10:30am Holy Mass <i>May Hatzer RIP - Grandma</i>		
Sun 2nd March 8 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass <i>Pro populo</i> Sunday 8:30am Holy Mass <i>Ernesto & Giovanna Orsi RIP</i> 10:00am Reconciliation 10:30am Holy Mass <i>St Padarn's school</i>	9:00am Holy Mass <i>November Dead List</i>	11:00am Holy Mass <i>Pro populo</i>
Sunday Collection - Casgliad y Sul <i>Thank you for your generosity - Diolch am eich haelioni.</i> £418.90 loose plate, £562.00 Dona (Aberystwyth & Aberaeron) £--- (Lampeter - Llanbedr Pont Steffan)			

Personal Message I'd like to say a great big thank you – diolch yn fawr to all who have made me feel so welcome: which is to say – all of you!! Your offers of kindness, help, patience, and your kindly words have touched my heart. I'm still trying to get myself sorted, so please do continue to be patient with me for a little while longer. You'll be pleased to know the printer now connects to the computer, the new email passwords have been given to me, I've discovered how to use the answer machine and I'm starting to find my feet. I do however still have a few boxes to unpack and, for some reason, I still cannot access the diocesan banking system to pay our bills (!!). I'll get there I'm sure. From this week I shall continue the timetable I inherited from Fr Matt, so that should make it easier for you all. Over the next few weeks I look forward to meeting each of you individually, and to meeting all of the different groups in the parish; if I cannot remember your name however, please don't be offended – the little grey cells are trying their best.

Of your charity Please pray for the repose of the souls of Iestyn Daniel who died earlier this week, and for Luccia Deremont who has also recently died. Luccia's funeral will take place on 11th March at Aberystwyth Crematorium and arrangements for Iestyn's funeral will be published in due course. May the rest in peace and come to enjoy their heavenly reward.

Y Cylch Catholig Mass for St David's Day will be celebrated in Welsh at the Cathedral Church of Cardiff-Menevia by Fr John Patrick Thomas at 12:00pm (Charles St., Cardiff, CF10 2SF). This Mass will be livestreamed on <https://www.cardiffcathedral.org.uk>. Mass will also be celebrated in Welsh at the Cathedral Church of Wrexham by Rt Rev. Edwin Regan at 12:00pm (Regent St., Wrexham, LL11 1RB)

Ash Wednesday this year falls on 5th March, service times shall be: Holy Cross, Aberaeron at 9:00am. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lampeter at 11:00am. St Padarn's School, Aberystwyth at 1:15pm. Welsh Martyrs, Aberystwyth at 6:00pm.

Publications I have received the Diocesan Yearbooks/Ordo and copies are now available for £3.50 – the delay was caused by the merger of the two dioceses. The Lenten 'Walk with Me' booklets have also arrived at £1 each, and the 'Magnificat' books are also available. Lastly please do take a complimentary Jubilee Prayer Card home with you after the Sunday Mass. I propose that we say this prayer publicly together at the beginning of each time of Rosary and Exposition in our parishes.

World Day of Prayer (established in 1887 as the Womens's World Day of Prayer) takes place on the first Friday in March which this year is March 7th. The theme is 'I made you wonderful' and is coordinated this year by the Cook Islands. A bilingual service will take place at Capel Noddfa in Lampeter (next door to the Co-Op) at 10:30am and members of Lampeter parish will be taking part. Please do support this event if you can.

Ecumenical Discussion Group Also at Capel Noddfa on Tuesday 8th April at 7:00pm with the theme 'Christianity in the Middle East' please put this in your diary today to save the date.

Jubilee Icon An Icon depicting Luke 4:16-21 is touring the Cathedrals of England and Wales for the next year. The Icon will be at St David's Cathedral, Cardiff from 17th April (Holy Thursday) throughout the Easter Octave until 28th April. If you are traveling to Cardiff during this holiday season, please do call in to the Cathedral and see the Icon for yourself, allowing it to inspire your prayer life.

Pope Francis Many of us will know that Pope Francis is not well and currently rests in hospital with double pneumonia. As of this afternoon (Saturday 22nd). The Holy See has said of the previous 24hrs that the 'Pope has rested well' and, while he is not currently at the risk of death, he was 'not out of danger'. We continue to pray for him and the morning Mass on Thursday will be celebrated for him.

St Padarn's School It's half-term holiday this week and a well-deserved chance for our teachers and pupils to take a rest. It'll be a busy term when they get back, and I'm looking forward to meeting all the staff and pupils.

Flame 2025 Youth Event This one-day event is the largest Catholic youth gathering in the UK, and takes place on Saturday 15th March at the OVO Arena, Wembley. The Archdiocese has reserved a number of tickets for those in Year 9 to Year 13. Would you like to come along? For more details, email youth@rcadc.org, scan the QR code on the poster in the porch, or visit www.cymfed.org.uk/flame.

Donations If you'd like to donate to the mission of Aberystwyth parish, you can use this QR code. Many thanks for your generosity.



Food Bank Collection points are in each church porch. Recent needs include:

Aberystwyth: grateful for whatever you can give,

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Lampeter: grateful for whatever you can give.

Diolch yn fawr iawn – thank you very much!