

Catholic Parishes of Aberystwyth and Lampeter

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Welsh Martyrs Church

Holy Cross Church

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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17th November 2024 33rd Week in Ordinary Time Year B Weekday Year II Psalter Week 1			
Date Dyddiad	Aberystwyth Welsh Martyrs Merthyrion Cymru	Aberaeron Holy Cross Groes Sanctaidd	Lampeter Llanbed Our Lady of Mount Carmel Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel
Sun 17th November 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Sul Cyffredin 33 <u>World Day of the Poor</u>	5.15pm Confessions Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass <i>November Lists</i> 8.30am Holy Mass <i>November Lists</i> 10am Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass <i>Priest's intention</i>	9am Holy Mass <i>People of the Parish</i>	11am Holy Mass <i>Vicky Callaghan RIP</i>
Mon 18th November			
Tue 19th November			6.30pm Adoration 7.30pm Holy Mass <i>November Lists</i>
Wed 20th November	9am Adoration & Confessions 10am Holy Mass <i>November Lists</i>		
Thu 21st November Presentation of Mary	6.30pm Confessions 7pm Holy Mass (on campus) <i>Christopher Flynn RIP</i>	9.30am Adoration/Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass <i>November Lists</i>	
Fri 22nd November St Cecilia	5pm Adoration/Confessions 6pm Holy Mass <i>November Lists</i>		
Sat 23rd November Memorial of Our Lady	9.30am Adoration/Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass <i>November Lists</i>		
Sun 24th November Christ the King Gŵyl Iesu Grist Frenin yr Hollfyd <u>National Youth Sunday</u>	5.15pm Confessions Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass <i>Intentions of Kathy Jenkins</i> 8.30am Holy Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> 10am Confessions 10.30am Youth Mass <i>November Lists</i>	9am Holy Mass <i>November Lists</i>	11am Holy Mass <i>Priest's intention</i> 6pm Polish Mass <i>Priest's intention</i>
Sunday Plate Collection Casgliad y Sul <i>Thank you for your generosity – diolch am eich haelioni.</i> 27.10.24 £544.03 3.11.24 £645.04 10.11.24 £496.93 (Aberystwyth/Aberaeron) 10.11.24 £182.30 (Lampeter Llanbed)			

Bulbs Would you have any spring bulbs to donate that could be planted in the parish's Laudato Si garden? If so, please have a word with Nick (Aberystwyth) or Samantha (Aberaeron). It would be lovely to be in a position to use garden-grown flowers in church as often as possible, rather than shop-bought – cutting down on both costs and contribution to the carbon footprint of importing flowers from elsewhere.

Christmas Raffle Tickets are now available for the Aberystwyth/Aberaeron Christmas Raffle – please take some tickets with you and do your best to sell them! The draw will be after the Carol Service on Sunday 15th December.

Raffle Prizes We're looking for some prizes to be donated for the **Christmas Raffle** (December 15th), but also some small gifts for a **tombola** taking place at the Christmas Fayre on December 7th – would you be able to donate something for these?

Supply Many thanks – croeso nôl! – to Fr Ross Patterson who is offering the Masses in Aberystwyth this weekend.

November Lists It's not too late to write the names of those you'd like to be silently remembered in the Masses titled 'November Lists', praying for our deceased loved ones. Please hand your list to the priest.

CSAN Webinar Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) is an agency of the Bishops' Conference that focuses on issues of social justice. On Monday 18th November, International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, they're hosting a 'Domestic Abuse Alliance' webinar from 11am-1pm, teaming up with 'Safe in Faith' to provide information and a call to action. Anyone is welcome to attend: please email the parish office for the link.

Deceased Clergy Mass This Tuesday the priests of our Archdiocese will meet for the annual Requiem Mass for deceased clergy, remembering especially those clergy who have died in the past year. The Mass will be at All Hallows, Miskin, at 11.30am, and parishioners are welcome if they'd like to come. There is a meeting of the clergy in the afternoon, such that **weekday Mass in Lampeter will take place at the later time of 7.30pm** on Tuesday.

Taste and See This Wednesday the class will be on **Baptism**, at the normal time of 6pm in Welsh Martyrs kitchen.

St Anne's Christmas Bazaar You might like to support this event on Saturday 23rd November, 10.30am-12.30pm.

Aberaeron Foodbank is looking for donations of Christmas food and treats **no later than December 6th**. If you're able to donate something towards this, either place in the box in the porch, or hand to Gill Pearson. The Foodbank box will be removed after December 6th to avoid receiving donations that can't be given away.

Lampeter Foodbank In addition to the list that's always at the bottom of this newsletter, the Foodbank is making a particular request for **strong bags for life**. If you have some at home that you're happy to donate, please place them either in the box at the back of Lampeter church, or leave them in the sacristy of Welsh Martyrs or Holy Cross.

Soup and Study Hosted by the Vicar at St Peter's Church in Lampeter, all welcome at 6pm on Sundays 17th and 24th November for homemade soup and a study series on the Book of Jonah.

Mission Appeal For this year's appeal, we welcome priests from the Missionary Society of St Paul. Fr Mark Odion will visit Aberaeron/Lampeter on Sunday 24th; Fr Emmanuel Ogunnaike will visit Aberystwyth on 30th Nov/1st Dec. They will speak about their missionary work for the Gospel; there will be a second collection to support their work.

Christ the King Next Sunday's feast day is also National Youth Sunday, and so participation at the 10.30am Mass will be led by some of our young people.

Sick and Retired Clergy Many thanks for your recent generosity to this fund: we raised £487.06 from Aberystwyth/Aberaeron, and £47.24 from Lampeter. Diolch o galon.

Lampeter Parish Meeting As we prepare for the next meeting at 12.15pm on Sunday 1st December, you can find a sheet on the noticeboard that records the comments made on the Post-It Notes that we filled in at the start of last meeting, and a copy of the minutes from that meeting. Like last time, if you can bring some food to share at the next meeting that would be a great blessing. Please send agenda items before Thursday 28th November.

Catholic Herald This monthly magazine of articles and news is now available for sale in the porch of Welsh Martyrs Church – this is a trial to gauge interest. Copies cost £5 each: if using the machine, please pay under the word 'Books'; if with cash, in a labelled envelope. If they've sold by the time you go to buy one, or if you go to Aberaeron or Lampeter and would like a copy, please make this known to Fr Matt, as the trial order can be amended.

Advent Youth Event 'Longing for Light' is an event aimed at high school students aged 12 and upwards, led by Archbishop Mark O'Toole. It will take place at St David's College, Cardiff, on Saturday 14th December, featuring music, prayer, new friends, activities, talks, and discussions. Who'd like to go?

Welsh Martyrs Sacristy Please note that there is no general access to the sacristy and kitchen area on a Saturday night and Sunday – and a reminder that the final ten minutes before each Mass are for the altar servers and safeguarding staff only. Should you need to access the area in these times, please wait at the door.

SoundCloud Some of Fr Matt's Sunday homilies are now available if you'd like to listen again or share. Go to <https://on.soundcloud.com/Tz4Ap>, where they will be uploaded as and when recorded.

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: tinned curry, tinned tuna, biscuits, jam, deodorant/shower gel.

Aberaeron: grateful for whatever you can give.

Lampeter: strong 'Bags for Life', pasta, sugar, tea, small jars of coffee.

Diolch yn fawr iawn – thank you very much!