

News from our Parish Groups | Newyddion o'n Grwpiau Plwyfol

**Bible Study Group** The Saint Ignatius Study Group meets online every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 7am until about 8.20am. The basis of prayer, commentary and reflection is taken from Fr Mike Schmitz's *Bible in a Year* podcast. The month of June is spent exploring the prophet Jeremiah, the books of Judith, Lamentations and Obadiah, and the Book of Proverbs. Each of the group members take it in turn to present the material, and are often joined by their parish priest to answer questions. In the first week of July (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>), one of our parishioners **Caroline Maybury** will be the group's presenter, exploring the Gospel of St Matthew – and Fr Matt will provide reflection and prayer during the sessions.

An additional group meets beforehand from 5.45-7.00am, using the same Zoom link – and reflect on the writings of the Italian mystic, Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta. Her writings fall into a category known as 'private revelation', which means they are investigated by the Church before being recommended to the faithful. Please note that her writings have not yet been recognised by the authority of the Church.

You are warmly invited to attend as much or as little of this as you like. The Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8676477085>.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- 25 June: **11am** Gazebo Club trip to the National Library (let Madeleine know if you're attending)
- 26 June: **6.40-8.10pm** 'Morning Star', women's retreat evening, Welsh Martyrs Church
- 27 June: **7.30pm** Hustings Event to question local parliamentary candidates, at St Michael's, Aberystwyth
- 29 June: **7pm** Ploughman's and Quiz at Neuadd Goffa
- 1, 3, 5 July: **7am** Online Bible study group (*please ask Caroline for more details*)
- 9 July: **6.45pm** Our Father Talk Series: 'Give us this day our daily bread', given by Fr Greg, Neuadd Goffa
- 11 July: **6.15-7.45pm** men's retreat evening, Welsh Martyrs Church
- 16 July: **6pm** Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lampeter
- 20 July: **afternoon** Laudato Si Garden Open Day
- 23 July: Gazebo Club trip to a local National Garden Scheme
- 24-28 July: Menevia and Cardiff Youth Council pilgrimage to St Davids (14-18 year olds)
- 7 September: Diocesan pilgrimage to St Non's, Pembrokeshire

Catholic Parishes of Aberystwyth and Lampeter  
Plwyfi Catholig Aberystwyth a Llanbedr Pont Steffan

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**Holy Cross Church** Victoria Street, Aberaeron, SA46 0DA  
**Our Lady of Mount Carmel** Pontfaen Road, Lampeter, SA48 7BS

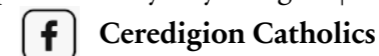
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Please note that Sunday Mass times will be changing on June 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>, to the following:

**Aberystwyth: Saturday 6pm | Sunday 8.30am | Sunday 10.30am** **Aberaeron: Sunday 9am** **Lampeter: Sunday 11am**

16<sup>th</sup> June 2024 | 11<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time | Year B | Weekday Year II

Times of Holy Mass and other events   Amserau'r Offeren a ddigwyddiadau eraill WM Welsh Martyrs, Aberystwyth   HC Holy Cross, Aberaeron L Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lampeter   UC Aberystwyth University Faith Space		Mass Intention   Bwriad
<b>Sun 16<sup>th</sup> June</b> 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Sul Cyffredin 11 <i>Day for Life</i>	Saturday 6pm Vigil Mass (WM) ( <i>Confessions 5.15pm</i> ) 8.30am Holy Mass (WM) 10am Holy Mass (WM) 10am Holy Mass (L) 12.30pm Holy Mass (HC) ( <i>Confessions 12.10pm</i> )	November Lists People of the Parish November Lists Vocations to the Priesthood Moira James RIP
<b>Mon 17<sup>th</sup> June</b>	10am Holy Mass (WM)	November Lists
<b>Tues 18<sup>th</sup> June</b>	9.30am Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass (HC) 6pm Holy Mass (WM)	November Lists November Lists
<b>Wed 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	9am Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions 10am Holy Mass (WM)	November Lists
<b>Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> June</b> Sts Alban, Julius and Aaron	10am Holy Mass (WM) 6pm Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions 7pm Holy Mass (L)	November Lists November Lists
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> June</b> St Aloysius Gonzaga	5pm Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions 6pm Holy Mass (WM)	November Lists
<b>Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b> Sts John Fisher and Thomas More	9.30am Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions 10.30am Holy Mass (WM)	November Lists
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Sunday Plate Collection   Casgliad y Sul: 9.6.2024 £517.09 (A) £127.05 + £30.00 AA (L) Many thanks for your generosity, diolch yn fawr am eich haelioni!		

## General News | Newyddion Cyffredinol

**Sunday Mass** A reminder that Sunday Mass times will be changing to the following **on the weekend of June 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup>**:

- Welsh Martyrs, Aberystwyth
  - **Saturday 6pm** (*with Confessions from 5.15pm*)
  - **Sunday 8.30am** (*first Sunday of the month in Welsh, dydd Sul cyntaf y mis yn Gymraeg*)
  - **Sunday 10.30am** (*with Confessions from 10am*)
- Holy Cross, Aberaeron
  - **Sunday 9am** (*with Confessions from 8.40am*)
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Lampeter
  - **Sunday 11am**

**Of your charity** Please pray for the eternal repose of **Angelina Porter**, who died recently. Her Requiem Mass will take place in Welsh Martyrs Church at 2pm on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, followed by committal at the Crematorium at 3pm.

**New Lectionary** You'll have read that the translation of the readings at Mass will change in Advent. If you'd like a new Sunday Missal for personal use, to follow the prayers and readings at Sunday Mass, these can be ordered at the same time as the main lectionaries to receive a 15% discount. You can have a 'Standard Edition' for £19.95 (£16.95 with the discount), or a Burgundy or White 'Presentation Edition' for £29.95 (£25.50 with the discount). Please email Fr Matt with your order **by Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**. Payment can be made by cheque to 'Parish of Aberystwyth', by contactless payment in Aberystwyth and Aberaeron, or online at [donate.myдона.com/welsh-martyrs-aberystwyth](https://donate.myдона.com/welsh-martyrs-aberystwyth) and clicking 'New Lectionary.' (Please note that CTS is also publishing a new Weekday Missal, which will include the readings and prayers of every single day of the year, including Sundays. They haven't yet announced a price for this, and it will not be ready in time for Advent – but if you would prefer to order one of these, please let Fr Matt know in the same way.)

**General Election** You may find these resources helpful: [www.cbcew.org.uk/election24](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24), [www.csan.org.uk/general-election-2024](http://www.csan.org.uk/general-election-2024), [www.cafod.org.uk/encounter](http://www.cafod.org.uk/encounter), or [www.svp.org.uk/encounter](http://www.svp.org.uk/encounter). St Michael's Church in Aberystwyth has a **hustings event** to question the candidates for Ceredigion Preseli, on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm. All welcome.

**Day for Life** This weekend there's a second collection for the Bishops' Conference Day for Life – this year's theme is *The Lord is my Shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life*. Many thanks for whatever you can give in support.

**Father's Day** We hold in prayer the fathers among us, who are entrusted with the vital mission of Christian fatherhood!

**From Fr Matt** Unfortunately I had to go to hospital this week and was told I have a slipped disc. Thanks be to God, things are already feeling much better than when it happened – but I'm off my usual parish work for a while to give it time to heal. Many thanks to Fr Robert Davies who will cover in Lampeter and Aberaeron this coming Sunday.

**Youth Residential** organised by the Youth Council of Menevia and Cardiff: July 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> in St Davids, Pembrokeshire, for £250 to cover everything – we'll spend some days away walking, praying, eating and having fun. This event is for teenagers aged 14-18 from across our dioceses. If you'd like to go but don't have the funds, please get in touch.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage** Join Archbishop Mark on a day pilgrimage to St Davids on **September 7<sup>th</sup>**. The day will consist of a guided tour of the Cathedral, a one-mile-walk to St Non's for Eucharistic Adoration and a tour of the newly-renovated Retreat Centre. Let us know if you're interested in going to gauge the need for transport.

## News from Welsh Martyrs Church | Newyddion o Eglwys Merthyron Cymru

**40 Hours Adoration** This event has had to be postponed – we hope to hold it in a few weeks' time.

**Gazebo Club** This group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month for anyone aged 60 and over (feel free to invite friends who don't come to church!) The next event is at 11am on **Tue 25<sup>th</sup> June** for a tour of the National Library, a presentation of the historic Llanbadarn Missal, a visit to the Canaletto in Aberystwyth Exhibition, and finishing with lunch in the library café. **The library needs to know numbers – let Madeleine know if you're attending (07866 626519).**

**Morning Star** This is the name suggested by some parishioners for the new women's group that will meet for the first time on the evening of **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June**. It evokes one of the titles of Our Lady in the Litany, and seeks her protection over this new initiative in our parish. The event will start at 6pm with Mass, then a preached meditation, opportunities for personal prayer, a brief talk on an aspect of the Christian life, and some social time.

**Ploughman's and Quiz Night** Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm, £10 entrance to include a Ploughman's supper. Get your quiz heads ready! All proceeds will go to the fundraising activities of Aberystwyth parish. **Raffle prizes and cakes for the night are much appreciated** – please contact Jacky if you can provide something (07554 118435).

**Our Father Series: 'Give us this day our daily bread'** The next talk will be on Tue 9<sup>th</sup> July at 6.45pm, given by Fr Greg.

**New Fundraising Team** There is a growing need for fundraising in our parish for various projects, but it needs people to help with time, skills and ideas, to plan and host events. **Could that be you?** Please have a word with Fr Matt if so.

**Volunteers for Tea and Coffee** It's great to see so many stay after Sunday Mass for tea and coffee and chat! This is such an important role of hospitality and welcome – but we have very few people on the rota. Could you help once a month?

## News from Holy Cross | Newyddion o Eglwys y Groes Sanctaidd

**Works to Holy Cross Church** We've made some beautiful improvements to Holy Cross Church over the last couple of years. Many thanks to those who've contributed and to those who've helped in carrying out the works. As our next project, it would be lovely to change the two gates at the front of the church, which are showing heavy signs of wear. If you know where we could source appropriate new gates, please get in touch.

## News from Our Lady of Mount Carmel | Newyddion o Eglwys Ein Harglwyddes o Fynydd Carmel

**Works to Our Lady of Mount Carmel** Our church will need significant work to restore it to health, and it will need to be a team effort! Some of these works will be straightforward, and others will take more time – not least because the building is listed. If you have expertise in the areas of building, carpentry, painting and decoration, and anything else you might think of, please let us know. And if you'd like to make a contribution to these works, you can do so at any time and 'ringfence' your donation for such works (by writing on the envelope, 'building' or similar words).

**Hospitality Team** Would you be willing to volunteer to be part of a new hospitality team in the parish? This will involve planning and hosting activities to bring parishioners together, to fundraise for the mission of the parish, and to make new faces welcome among us. Can you help to plan the parish feast day on the evening of **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July?** We'll begin with a festive Mass at 6pm and then continue the celebrations in the hall afterwards!

**Financial Return 2023-24** Many thanks to Michael for his work on the financial return that has recently been submitted to the diocese. Please find at the back of church a summary of this return. You are welcome to book an appointment at the presbytery should you wish to look at the document in more detail. You'll notice that the parish finances are very low – this is in large part due to the work on the new heating system fitted in early 2024.

**Donations** If you'd like to donate to the mission of Aberystwyth parish, you can do so via the parish website or using this QR code. Many thanks for your generosity.



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

**Aberystwyth:** breakfast cereal, tinned soup, tinned fruit, biscuits, deodorant.

**Aberaeron:** grateful for whatever you can give.

*Diolch yn fawr! Many thanks!*