

CARDIFF CATHEDRAL ✝ CADEIRLAN CAERDYDD

Domus mea domus orationis vocabitur

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TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10th October | Readings: Year B (Sunday), Cycle 1 (Weekday) | Psalter: Week 4

Some copies of the letter from the Bishops' Conference are still available at the entrance to the Cathedral. Do take a copy, and consider using the resources to make known to Peers the feeling of the Catholic Community.

Starting on Wednesday of this week the Cathedral will be open from 6pm-7pm, during the week, for a Holy Hour which will include the Novena of Prayer to Pope St John Paul II. On the weekend these prayers will be prayed during the existing Holy Hours.

The second reading of the Assisted Dying Bill 2021 will take place on his feast day, the 22nd October, so the Bishops' of England and Wales have asked the Catholic Community to pray during this time, especially imploring the intercession of St John Paul II who dedicated so much of his Papacy, and indeed his life, to defence of every human life from the moment of conception to natural death.

St John Paul II, *pray for us.*

CATHEDRAL OPENING TIMES

Monday to Friday 11am - 3pm

Weekend: around Mass times, unless otherwise stated.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Available Monday to Friday 12noon - 12:25pm & Saturday at the advertised times.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Baptism: 'Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments.' (Catechism, 1213)

Confirmation: 'For "by the sacrament of Confirmation, [the baptized] are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit.' (Catechism, 1285)

First Holy Communion: '...by this sacrament we unite ourselves to Christ, who makes us sharers in his Body and Blood to form a single body.' (Catechism, 1331)

Fr Robert is happy to talk about preparation for any of the Sacraments, for yourself, or your children.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

As well as the Sacramental Preparation mentioned above, this month we will begin the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). RCIA is primarily aimed at adults who wish to be Baptised or received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. The course that we will run this year (Sycamore) might also be of interest to those of us who are 'cradle Catholics', but might want to learn more about our Faith. If you would like to join the RCIA, as someone coming to the Faith, or someone who is interested in learning more, please speak to Fr Robert.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus Christ, Shepherd of souls, who called the Apostles to be fishers of men, raise up new apostles in your Holy Church.

Teach them that to serve you is to reign, to possess you is to possess all things.

Kindle in the young hearts of your sons and daughters the fire of zeal for souls. Make them eager to spread your Kingdom on earth.

Grant them courage to follow you, who are the Way, the Truth and the Life; who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us.

Help our seminarians who are preparing for Priesthood.

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The devotional and liturgical lives of the Church often go hand-in-hand. Through both we come to know God more, as we grow in our love of Him by turning our minds and hearts to Him in different ways.

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary, as such, the Rosary will be prayed in common every day at the Cathedral. During the week this will take place before Mass, on a Saturday it will take place at the conclusion of Adoration, on a Sunday it will be combined with Solemn Benediction.

By praying the Rosary we kneel at the feet of our Blessed Mother and seek her intercession for our needs and the needs of the whole world. At the same time, we come closer to her Son by pondering and meditating upon the mysteries of His life on earth.

Let us use this Month of the Holy Rosary to come closer to both Our Lord & Our Lady.

CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (CMA)

The CMA is an association of Catholics working in the health sector. Membership is open to those studying, practicing or retired from all health care professions.

A CMA branch is being established in Cardiff. Members and all those interested are warmly invited to attend a special Mass on the **Feast of St Luke** (18th October) in **St Joseph's Church, New Zealand Road** at **7pm**, which will be followed by an introductory meeting/refreshments.

EXTRA PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

PARISH SAFEGUARDING

John Fellows - (029) 2023 1407

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

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ALTAR SERVING

If you're interested in serving on the altar, please speak to Fr Robert, or one of the servers.

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY

If you, or a loved one, are admitted into hospital, please contact the hospital Chaplaincy team: (029) 2074 3230

Chaplains:

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Saturday 9th October

4:30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 5:15pm
5:30pm	Vigil Mass: Donor's Intentions

Sunday 10th October—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00am	Mass: Cathedral Community
4:30pm	Holy Rosary & Solemn Benediction
5:30pm	Mass: Holy Souls

Monday 11th October

12noon	Angelus & Holy Rosary
12:45pm	Mass: George, Violet, Ann, Bernard & Raymond Williams—Foundation

Tuesday 12th October— St Wilfrid

12noon	Angelus & Holy Rosary
12:45pm	Mass: Louise Boyle

Wednesday 13th October—St Edward the Confessor

12noon	Angelus, Holy Rosary
12:45pm	Mass: Holy Souls
6:00pm	Holy Hour <i>with</i> St John Paul II Novena

Thursday 14th October— St Callistus I, Pope & Martyr

12noon	Angelus, Holy Rosary & John Paul II Novena
12:45pm	Mass: Intentions of Gail James, Birthday
6:00pm	Holy Hour <i>with</i> St John Paul II Novena

Friday 15th October— St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & doctor

12noon	Angelus, Holy Rosary & John Paul II Novena
12:45pm	Mass: Holy Souls
6:00pm	Holy Hour <i>with</i> St John Paul II Novena

Saturday 16th October— St Richard Gwyn, Martyr

10:00am	Mass: Holy Souls
<i>Followed by</i>	Sacrament of Reconciliation & Adoration until 12:30pm
12noon	Angelus, Holy Rosary & John Paul II Novena
4:30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 5:15pm
5:30pm	Vigil Mass: Frank Naughton

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Sunday 17th October—29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00am	Mass: Cathedral Community
4:30pm	Holy Rosary, Novena Prayers & Solemn Benediction
5:30pm	Mass: Holy Souls



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Pastoral Letter for 9th-10th October 2021 in advance of COP26 ©

The forthcoming meeting of world leaders in Glasgow from 31st October-12th November COP26 will have unprecedented urgency and importance. Knowledge about environmental issues has increased greatly in recent years, and our experience of natural catastrophes confirm the damage being inflicted on our global home, not least by the lifestyles with which we have become accustomed. “Care for Creation” has been a constant theme in the teaching of Pope Francis, contained not least in his publication of “Laudato Si”. The stewardship of creation, so beautifully expressed in the Book of Genesis, becomes more urgent day by day.

Care for creation, for our environment, and for the dignity of every human person, is deeply rooted in the Christian Faith. Perhaps the finite resources of our planet have been taken for granted or even ignored, particularly since the age of industrialisation in the 19th century. Pope Paul VI once wrote that “Not every development is progress”. There is a price to be paid for everything – and that price is not just money. The unthinking exploitation of resources, natural habitats and the animal world continues to do damage unless there is a profound change in attitude and behaviour personally, nationally and internationally.

“Live simply so that others may simply live” is a very profound saying. In the face of such enormous issues, it is easy for the individual to feel overwhelmed and helpless. Pope John Paul II wrote movingly of the importance of “Human Ecology”. Each one of us can contribute to the healing of creation by changing our attitudes, customs, practices and lifestyle. Travel, electricity, water, food consumption, re-cycling and waste are the most immediate and tangible things which can be addressed. Much is already being done on an individual level and by communities committed to raising awareness of the issues which confront us.

Needless to say, real change must come at an international level with agreements being made by the most powerful countries in the world. Pope Francis insists that we must think and act globally. If, as it is hoped, the Holy Father attends the COP26 Conference, he will surely re-iterate this message. At the very least, governments must surely seek to make achievable and realistic policies to ensure that further global warming is limited so that sustainable living conditions may be available for all.

May I ask that we make Sunday 31 October (the Feast of All Saints) a Day of prayer for the success of the meeting in Glasgow. There will be a variety of resources for prayer or other events available nearer the time. CAFOD is involved in the distribution of materials and offers this prayer which may be used daily in preparation for the success of COP26.

Loving God,
We praise your name with all you have created.

You are present in the whole universe,
and in the smallest of creatures.

We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us
As stewards of your creation.

May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP6 as they
Seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society.
Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions
for the poorest and most vulnerable,
and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son.

Amen

With every blessing.

+George Stack

Archbishop of Cardiff

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