

CARDIFF CATHEDRAL ✝ CADEIRLAN CAERDYDD

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5th December | Readings: Year C (Sunday) | Psalter: Week 1

This week we have a most important event in the life of any church, but especially for the Cathedral and the Diocese: the consecration of the Altar. There has not been a permanent, stone Altar at the Cathedral since the renovations that took place during the episcopate of Archbishop ward. The consecration will take place during the Mass celebrated on the evening of the 8th December—the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of the Diocese.

On that day, three Masses will be celebrated at the Cathedral: 9am, 12:45pm & 6pm. The 12:45pm Mass is one of the three Chapter Masses that are celebrated during the course of the year, when the Chapter of Canons fulfil their duty of praying in the Metropolitan Cathedral Church for the needs of the Diocese.

Another note for the diary is the annual carol service taking place next Sunday. As some form of ‘normality’ resumes, this is a most excellent way to prepare for the coming of the Christ-child at Christmas.

In a change to the usual schedule, and because of a deanery meeting on Thursday, the Mass will be celebrated at 9am rather than 12:45pm.

Fortnightly Collections: 14th November & 21st November

5:30pm Vigil: £123.55

11:00am: £274.58

5:30pm: £109.87

Thank you for your continued generosity.

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THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

WELCOME HOME

The opening times for the Cathedral have changed, following the recent statement from the Bishops' Conference. For the season of Advent the Cathedral will be open until 6pm on Tuesdays to allow for some time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for Christmas. On 18th December, the last Saturday before Christmas, Confessions will be heard from 10:30am—5:15pm.

Provincial Directory & Yearbook

The Directory and Yearbook for 2022 is now available for purchase. £3.00 each. (£4 for ring bound)

CATHEDRAL & CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY CAROL SERVICE

Next Sunday, 12th December at 3pm, the annual carol service will take place at the Cathedral. This is the first year that the Cathedral service will be combined with the Catholic Chaplaincy of Cardiff University. We will welcome Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for South Glamorgan, and the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Cardiff to the Cathedral.

CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS CARDS

We are now selling Christmas cards at the Cathedral. They were commissioned from Mike Quirke, an artist in London. They depict the Nativity, the Adoration of the Magi, and the Flight into Egypt. The packs will sell for £3.50.

CONSECRATION OF THE ALTAR

As you will have seen, the new Altar is now in place on the sanctuary. His Grace the Archbishop will consecrate the Altar at a Mass celebrated on the 8th December— the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of our Diocese, at 6pm. This is a most important day in the life of any church, but most especially in the life of the Cathedral and the wider Diocese. It will be a wonderful way to celebrate the great Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.

VIRGIN MONEY GIVING (VMG)

VMG has now ceased its operation as a charity platform. The diocese will be moving over to a different platform, which works in a similar way. If you have been contributing to the running of the Cathedral via VMG, you will have to move over to this new platform from December. I have been assured that it is similar to the easy-to-use VMG style. If you have been contributing a regular monthly donation via VMG this will also cease and will need to be transferred to the new platform.

COLLECTION

The collection will return to its usual place, as the Altar is prepared at the Offertory. Until future notice, the Offertory procession continues to be omitted.

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.

EXTRA PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

PARISH SAFEGUARDING

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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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Fr David Prichard

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CATHEDRAL OPENING TIMES

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 9am-5pm

Tues 9am-6pm

Weekend: 9am—after the evening Masses

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

Saturday 4th December

4:30pm | Sacrament of Reconciliation until 5:15pm

5:30pm | Vigil Mass: Kathleen & Reginald Snow

Sunday 5th December—Second Sunday of Advent

11:00am | Mass: Cathedral Community

5:30pm | Mass: Anthony & Rose Manavela

Monday 6th December—St Nicholas, Bishop

12:45pm | Mass: Margaret Banks, RIP

Tuesday 7th December—St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

12:45pm | Mass: Narciso Callegari

5:00pm | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession until 6pm

Wednesday 8th December—Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am | Mass: Intentions of the Archbishop

12:45pm | Chapter Mass: For the Diocese

6:00pm | Mass: Consecration of the Altar

Thursday 9th December

NB* 9:00am | Mass: Coulson Family Intention | HC

Friday 10th December—St John Roberts, Martyr

12:45pm | Mass: Intentions of Donor

Saturday 11th December

10:00am | Mass: Geraldine Rees | HC

Followed by Sacrament of Reconciliation and Adoration until 12noon

4:30pm | Sacrament of Reconciliation until 5:15pm

5:30pm | Vigil Mass: Frank Naughton

Sunday 12th December—Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

11:00am | Mass: Cathedral Community

3:00pm | Cathedral & Catholic Chaplaincy Carol Service

5:30pm | Mass: John Monaghan