

CARDIFF CATHEDRAL ✝ CADEIRLAN CAERDYDD

Domus mea domus orationis vocabitur

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SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

2nd January 2022 | Readings: Year C (Sunday) | Psalter: Week 3

The new calendar year is upon us. As such, I wish you all a very Happy New Year. 2021, to the say the least, brought with it many challenges, as did 2020.

We never know what is around the corner, all we do know is that we are called to put our hope and trust in God. It is not a foolish hope, or a 'blind' trust, we know that God fulfils his promises. This is what we have been celebrating since last weekend. The prophecies of old are fulfilled in the birth of the Lord in the manger.

As we embrace this New Year let us re-commit ourselves to growing closer to the Lord, perhaps this should be our resolution, as well as the customary gym subscriptions, etc... let us focus our attention on our relationship with the Lord, and ultimately with one another.

Donating to the Cathedral

Following the closure of Virgin Money Giving, the Diocese has established a new way of giving online to the Cathedral, please click [here](#) or use the QR code provided.



THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Fortnightly Collections: 12th December & 19th December

5:30pm Vigil: £123.31

11:00am: £234.02

5:30pm: £70.70

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Banking Details for Standing Orders

Account Name: Archdiocese of Cardiff

Sort Code: 20-18-23

Account Number: 03896056

HAPPY CHRISTMAS

Once again, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas.

May I also take this opportunity to thank you for the welcome I received from you when I came to the Cathedral in July. My sincere prayer for 2022 is that normality will resume. Perhaps it is a fools hope, but it is mine.

Thank you for your great generosity to me this Christmas, be assured of my prayers for the New Year.

CHRISTMAS CRIB OFFERINGS

This year your Crib Offerings will contribute towards the Diocesan Food Voucher Scheme, and also to support the child refugees from Afghanistan.

The wall box near the entrance to the sacristy is where your offerings can be made.

ALERT LEVEL: TWO

When you come to Mass on the 26th December, and until we are told otherwise, we will be expected to socially distance. As such, I ask that you sit in the pews that are not marked off, and that you keep at least two metres between family groups.

LORRAINE STONE, RIP

I mentioned a few weeks ago that Lorraine Stone, a Cathedral parishioner, had recently died. I am now able to share with you some of the details of her funeral.

Her funeral will take place at St Joseph's Church, Penarth, on Friday 7th December at 10:45am. Obviously, due to restrictions, places are limited. Please see Hilary if you are intending on going.

We continue to assure her family of our prayers at this time.

TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

You can almost guarantee that within a week of the celebration of the Lord's Nativity, the shops will have replaced Christmas items with Easter treats, the television channels will have stopped showing Christmas movies/shows, and the radio stations will have stopped playing "I wish it could be Christmas everyday". (I may be wrong...)

For us Christians, we know that the days after Christmas Day form the Octave, meaning that every day is Christmas Day, we should celebrate accordingly, but not only that, we also celebrate the Twelve Days of Christmas, from the Solemnity of the Nativity to the Solemnity of the Epiphany.

I visited friends in Spain a few years ago around this time of year, and the Christmas treats only went away (or were heavily curtailed) on the Feast of the Epiphany. Let us remember this year, of all years, that our celebrations do not cease at the stroke of midnight on the 25th, they continue. Let us celebrate the Birth of the Saviour.

EXTRA PARISH CONTACT DETAILS

PARISH SAFEGUARDING

John Fellows - (029) 2023 1407

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

07933 720 845

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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CATHEDRAL OPENING TIMES

Mon, Tue, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 9am—5pm; Sat & Sun: 9am—6:30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

Saturday 1st January 2022—Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

4:30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation 'til 5:15pm
5:30pm	Mass: Kathleen & Reginald Snow

Sunday 2nd January—Second Sunday of Christmas

11:00am	Mass: The Cathedral Community
12:30pm	Sacrament of Marriage
5:30pm	Mass: Thanksgiving to Our Lord & Mother Mary

Monday 3rd January—The Most Holy Name of Jesus

12:45pm	Mass: Catherine Smith
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Tuesday 4th January

12:45pm	Mass: Donors Intentions
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Wednesday 5th January

12:45pm	Mass: John Tabone—Birthday Blessings
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Thursday 6th January—Solemnity of the Epiphany

12:45pm	Mass: In thanksgiving
5:30pm	Mass: The Cathedral Community

Friday 7th January—St Raymond of Penyafort

12:45pm	Mass: Pook & Fenton Families
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Saturday 8th January

10:00am	Mass: Lorraine Stone, RIP
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Followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Adoration 'til noon.

4:30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation 'til 5:15pm
5:30pm	Vigil Mass: Windmill Family, Thanksgiving for Baby Isabelle

Sunday 9th January—The Baptism of the Lord

11:00am	Mass: The Cathedral Community
5:30pm	Mass: Thanksgiving to Our Lord & Mother Mary