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Baptism of the Lord

10th January 2021

Year B

Psalter Week: 1

Entrance Antiphon

After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

Responsorial Psalm

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! John saw Jesus coming towards him, and said: This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

The Baptism of the Lord

We hear in the response to the Psalm: We will “draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation”. Pope Benedict XVI, during a homily, reflects:

“As adults, we have striven to draw from the good springs for our own good and for the good of those entrusted to our responsibility, and you in particular, dear parents and godparents, for the good of these children.

And what are “the springs of salvation”? They are the Word of God and the sacraments. Adults are the first who should nourish themselves at these sources, so as to be able to guide those who are younger in their development. Parents must give much, but in order to give they need in turn to receive, otherwise they are drained, they dry up. Parents are not the spring, just as we priests are not the spring. Rather, we are like channels through which the life-giving sap of God’s love must flow. If we cut ourselves off from his spring, we ourselves are the first to feel the negative effects and are no longer able to educate others. For this reason we have committed ourselves by saying: We will “draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation”.”



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* denotes the Mass is open to the public.

± denotes service is live-streamed only, and not open to the public.

Zoom Login Details - Meeting ID: 868 571 1627 Password: cathedral

Saturday Vigil	4:30pm 5:30pm *	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 5:15pm</i> Mass: Intentions of the Donor
Sunday Baptism of the Lord	11:00am * 4:30pm ± 5:30pm *	Mass: Brian Kelly, <i>RIP</i> Solemn Evening Prayer & Benediction Mass: the Cathedral Community
Monday	7:30am * 8:00am 12:00pm 12:45pm * 5:00pm ±	Mass: Holy Souls Morning Prayer (from the Divine Office) Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 12:25pm</i> Mass: Monica Bibey, <i>RIP</i> <i>After Mass:</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>until 3:00pm</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>concluding with</i> Evening Prayer & Benediction, <i>at 5:40pm</i>
Tuesday	7:30am * 8:00am 12:00pm 12:45pm *	Mass: Holy Souls Morning Prayer (from the Divine Office) Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 12:25pm</i> Mass: Special Intention: Barrie Thomas <i>After Mass:</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>until 3:00pm</i>
Wednesday		
Thursday	7:30am * 8:00am 12:00pm 12:45pm * 5:00pm ±	Mass: Holy Souls Morning Prayer (from the Divine Office) Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 12:25pm</i> Mass: Michael & Theresa Collins, <i>RIP</i> <i>After Mass:</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>until 3:00pm</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>concluding with</i> Evening Prayer & Benediction, <i>at 5:40pm</i>
Friday	7:30am * 8:00am 12:00pm 12:45pm * 6:00pm ±	Mass: Holy Souls Morning Prayer (from the Divine Office) Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 12:25pm</i> Mass: Maria Josefa Ledesima, <i>RIP</i> <i>After Mass:</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>until 3:00pm</i> Offeren (Yn Gymraeg): Intentions of the Donor
Saturday Our Lady	9:00am 10:00am * 11:00am	The Angelus (Facebook Live) Mass: Rev. Ambrose Walsh, <i>RIP</i> <i>Followed by</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament <i>until 12:00pm</i> Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 12:00pm</i>
Saturday	4:30pm 5:30pm *	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 5:15pm</i> Mass: the Cathedral Community
Sunday Second in Ordinary Time	11:00am * 4:30pm ± 5:30pm *	Mass: Jack & Rene McCarthy, <i>RIP</i> Solemn Evening Prayer & Benediction Mass: Sheila Naughton, <i>RIP</i>

INFORMATION

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Prayer and Worship

Instructions for Attending the Celebration of Mass

– It is wonderful to be able to welcome you all back to the Cathedral. The **stewards** are available at the back of the Cathedral to help and guide you. I am very grateful to the stewards for their dedication and commitment. The **Track and Trace** system which is in place is there to safeguard visitors to the Cathedral for the celebration of Mass. **Masks** must be worn inside the Cathedral at all times, both for private prayer and also for Mass. If you have an exemption from the doctor, please show your information card to the stewards. Instructions for attending Mass are available on the Cathedral website. Visit: www.cardiffcathedral.org.uk/coronavirus for details.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation – Pope St John Paul II said that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is “*an act of honesty and courage – an act of entrusting ourselves, beyond sin, to the mercy of a loving and forgiving God*”. There are several opportunities to experience the mercy of the Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation throughout the week. Please see the schedule for full details. All Confessions take place in the Mostyn Room, adjacent to the Cathedral.

Offeren yn Gymraeg – The next celebration of Mass in Welsh via live-streaming will take place this **Friday, 15th January 2021**, beginning at **6:00pm**.

Sunday of the Word of God – Last year, Pope Francis established the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time to be designated as *Sunday of the Word of God*, special day devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God”. The hope of the Holy Father is to renew and reawaken our commitment to the meditating upon the riches of Sacred Scripture, and come to understand that we are living instruments of transmission of the Word. At the Masses next weekend, I will bless your Bibles at the end of the Masses. If you have a Bible, please bring it with you next weekend for blessing. If you don’t own a Bible, consider investing in one.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity runs from 18th to 25th January. The theme has been prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. The theme that was chosen, “*Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit*”, is based on John 15:1-17 and expresses Grandchamp Community’s vocation to prayer, reconciliation and unity in the Church and the human family.

Bringing Lourdes Home – Three-Day Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes

Our Lady of Lourdes is known throughout the world to intercede for both spiritual and physical healing. During this last year, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes closed its doors for the first time in over a century. Despite its closed doors, the Sanctuary is still a privileged place in our hearts of prayer for and with the sick. It is still a place of intercession. The last year has taken its toll on many people in different ways, whether emotionally, spiritually, or physically. During the Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes we will unite ourselves in prayer with all those who seek the healing intercession of Our Blessed Lady.

The Novena will begin on **Monday, 8th February**, and will conclude with Holy Mass on Thursday, 11th February, the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes. More information about the Novena will be available in the coming weeks.

Whose children are they anyway?

The Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Bill currently before the Senedd will effectively remove the rights of parents as the first educators of their children. It will threaten the nature and purpose of Catholic schools as well as being an affront to devout Jews, Christians, Hindus, Sikhs and Muslims in Wales.

In the provisions concerning Human and Sex Education, the responsibility and privilege of parents to choose the right moment and language to discuss love and human sexuality with their children will be overridden by the imposition of a curriculum not in conformity with Christian teaching and that of many other faiths. The right of parents to remove their children from such classes will be removed.

The implications of this Bill places the right of the State before that of the parents of a child in such an important part of life. Should this ideologically driven Bill become law, it will remove the ancient freedoms and duties of parents in the education of their children. It would restrict freedom of conscience, freedom of expression, freedom of worship and conscientious objection. These are fundamental human rights which should be respected in a pluralistic society. They are not being upheld by this proposed legislation.

The assertion of power by Welsh Government in the lives of its citizens is not always malicious, but it cannot go unchallenged. The responses to the consultation on this Bill have been largely ignored. The First Minister of Wales and the Members of the Senedd need to be reminded very clearly that they were elected by us in order to represent us. We do not elect members of the Senedd to usurp our role as parents, grandparents and families. The rights and duties of parents are more significant and profound than party view and politics. This abuse of government power cannot go unchallenged. If we remain silent, there will be no appeal.

ACT NOW AND URGE YOUR LOCAL MS
TO REJECT THE CURRICULUM &
ASSESSMENT (WALES) BILL
BY USING THE LINK BELOW:

http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/welsh_parents?tmpl=component&print=1

This link will take you to a pro forma from the Catholic Education Service, they will provide you with details of your local MS on the basis of your postcode. Individual letters registering your objection to this proposed legislation are better than copied circulars.