

St. David's R.C. Church

Park Crescent,
Maesglas, Newport
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
09.02.25. - 15.02.25. Year C PW1

Parish of the
Archdiocese of Cardiff
Registered Charity
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Clergy

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9.30 am Confession and Adoration

10.00 am Mass Latin Rite

Office Hours: - The office will be open every Friday morning between 9am - 12.30pm. We ask that appointments be made for anything needed in this time. Email is monitored throughout the working week and will be responded to accordingly. Any urgent enquiries should be directed to Father Mathew on 07799286727.

Mass Times of

Syro Malabar Qurbana

Sunday	7.45am Mass	3.15pm Mass
Friday	6.00pm Adoration	6.30pm Mass
Saturday		10.00am Mass

Mass w.j. Polskim Saturday 6.00pm

SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8

Psalm: Ps 138(137):1-2a,2b-3,4-5,7c.8. .1c

Response: In the presence of the angels, I praise you, O Lord.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel Acc.: Alleluia, alleluia!

**Follow me, says the Lord,
And I will make you fishers of men.
Alleluia.**

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

BOILER UPDATE: - Boiler work began on Monday last week ... the end is in sight! The collections over the past few weeks, though generous have not come close to covering the cost of this. Whilst we are extremely grateful for everyone's support in this regard, please do continue to donate if you can whether online or in cash (which can be given to any of the volunteers after Mass).

There will be a **second collection NEXT SUNDAY (16th) for Racial Justice Sunday.**

THE BIG LENT WALK is back again for 2025! This is a fundraising event in aid of CAFOD. The aim is to walk 200KM in 40 days! If you are interested in entering this as part of the Parish, please speak to Kate after Mass or via email and we can attempt to arrange a Parish group to raise funds for CAFOD.

PIETY STOCK: We have been made aware that both new Weekday and Daily Missals will be available for purchase from the end of April this year. Please can anyone who thinks they would like one, make themselves known to Norma so we can ensure we only order the amount we can sell. Easter items are available, as well as a range of Baptism gifts and cards. Please do take the time to consider this when planning for upcoming celebrations.

IN THE COMING WEEKS we will be moving away from the use of Mass Sheets, if you are a Minister of the Word and do not have access to a Missal, please be assured the Lectionary on the Lectern will always be correct, but should you wish to have access to your readings before the Mass you are able to view and print daily readings from the web page: <https://universalis.com>

Mistakes are an apprenticeship to achievement

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WEEKDAY MASS. As previously mentioned, Father Mathew would like to offer either one or two weekday Masses in the evenings at 6.30pm. Father is available on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Please pick up, complete and return a voting form, then give to a volunteer or post into the Mass intentions box in the porch. It is important we gather as many opinions on this as possible. It will take less than a minute to complete. The results of this will be announced in the coming weeks.

Visitation of the relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis:

On the 14th-17th February the Visitation of the Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis will take place across our Archdiocese. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray before the relics of Blessed Carlo Acutis over this weekend. Services will take place in the following places: On **Friday 14th February**, St David's Cathedral, Cardiff: 10am Mass (celebrated by Archbishop Mark), 1pm Mass and 6.30pm Mass. On **Saturday 15th February**, Belmont Abbey: 11.30am Holy Mass celebrated by Abbot Brendan, 1.00pm Talk on Bl Carlo Acutis (Mgr Anthony) and 4.00pm Parish Vigil Mass. On **Sunday 16th February**, Swansea Co-Cathedral: 8am Arrival, 10am Mass (Archbishop Mark); Sacred Heart, Swansea: 5.45pm Arrival of the relic, 8pm Mass. On **Monday 17th February**, Blessed Carlo Acutis School, Merthyr: Arrival and Mass (celebrated by Archbishop Mark). Veneration of the relic will take place at all locations. Full details can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/5n98hw9p>



The relic is a fragment of the membrane surrounding his heart. Bl Carlo was an Italian boy, born in London, who strove for holiness in his ordinary life in Milan before dying from Leukaemia at the age of 15 in 2006. He used his skills in computer programming, as well as his friendships, to spread the Gospel message. He is a great model for the young people of our Archdiocese.



WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS: Please pray for the sick and elderly in our parish and those in hospital. Please contact maesglas@rcadc.org to let us know of anyone who is sick or in hospital so that we may pray for them.

God of all goodness, look with mercy on all who suffer any kind of infirmity, sickness or injury, that they may be comforted. Let your hand of healing and protection be upon them. When they are fearful, ease their fear and anxieties. When they are afraid, give them strength and courage. When they feel alone, send them someone to listen and to care. When they are confused, provide reassurance and direction. When they are in pain, ease their suffering. When they despair, give them hope. May they experience your healing presence in the comfort of a caregiver's calm gaze and tender touch. We ask this in your holy name. Amen.

DIOCESE YEARBOOKS FOR 2025. Our yearbooks are now available at the Piety Stall at a cost of £5.00 each.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE: We are keen to launch some fundraising events over the coming months to help us recoup the costs of the boiler and ensure we have sufficient funds to see us through the liturgical year. We are asking please for volunteers to come forward to form a committee for fundraising. Whilst current volunteers would be glad to be a part of this committee, we do need more people to come forward to take charge of this so that the most can be gained from it. Please speak to Kate/Jane/Norma if you are interested. The more volunteers we can enlist, the less of a time constraint this will be.

NOTICE FOR OUR CHILDREN: Every Sunday, in the porch, there will be 'Liturgy Packs' available on first come, first served basis, for young children to take during mass. These packs will include the Gospel story and some colouring/puzzles for children to enjoy during the mass. The colouring sheets will be available for children to take home with them, but we do ask that the colouring pencils and other reusable materials provided be returned at the end of mass so that they can be used again the following week. If anyone has any questions about this, please do not hesitate to see Kate at the end of mass. Our hope is that this will encourage children's understanding and ensure they can attend mass regularly.

KEYHOLDERS OF THE CHURCH: Can anyone who holds keys for the Church building or the safe in the Sacristy, or both, make themselves known to Kate as we have a new directive where we will require either keys returned to us or the keyholder to complete a new keyholder form for the Archdiocese. Kate can arrange to provide the new form and then receive it back in order to supply to the Archdiocese directly.

HEALTH & SAFETY: We have been advised that no children (children under the age of 12) should be going up into the choir loft. Please can anyone with children, ensure they remain downstairs for masses going forwards.

FLAME 2025



On **Saturday, 15th March**, Cardiff-Menevia Youth, led by **Father Martin Donnelly**, will attend **Flame 2025** in Wembley. Billed as the **biggest Catholic youth gathering in the UK**, thousands of young people from across the country will take part in this action-packed day of **prayer, music, discussion, and more**. There will be **adoration with Cardinal Nichols**, and **Bear Grylls** is the keynote speaker. The price is **£31**, including transport, though you will need to bring your own food. To book, simply **scan the QR code or visit this link** (<https://forms.gle/6bD2kM3hfQv2sFjC9>).



QR CODES - There are now many QR codes around the church on posters on the walls and on some of the pews. These are for anyone who wishes to donate to the parish but may not have cash readily available.

MASS INTENTIONS		READERS
09.02.25.	Robert Dack † (30 years)	SUNDAY 09.02.25. 1 st Reading – Maureen Psalm – Maureen 2 nd Reading – John H Prayers of the Faithful - Evie
16.02.25.	Madeliene & William Bray †	
23.02.25.	Marie Ayres-Regan †	
02.03.25.	Mary T. Regan †	
09.03.25.	Liliana & John Conti	
16.03.25.	Glenys Harvey †	SUNDAY 16.02.25. 1 st Reading – Mary (Sen) Psalm – Sung 2 nd Reading – John T Prayers of the Faithful – Evie
23.03.25	Fr. Gordan Thompson †	
30.03.25.	Gertrude & Elizabeth Bray & Margaret Collins	
UPCOMING FUNERALS		
Vincent Shellard 12 th February at 11.30am <i>Requiem Mass</i>		Collections: 02.02.25 - £132.65 Mass intentions: It is Canon Law for there to be only one intention per mass celebration. Therefore, if anyone would like to have a mass on a specific date, it will need to be booked in advance. If you wish to book a Mass intention, please fill in an envelope which can be found in the church porch and post it in the box also in the church porch.
James Augustus Morgan (Jim the milk) 18 th February at 12.15pm <i>Funeral Service</i>		
Ronald Charles Brown 20 th February at 1.45pm <i>Requiem Mass</i>		
<i>Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen</i>		
SAINTS OF THE WEEK		
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PALMS FROM LAST YEAR: Please can we request that anyone who has a palm from last Palm Sunday, please bring the same into church over the coming weeks so that they can be burnt to prepare the ash for Ash Wednesday. These can be given to any volunteer who will ensure they are placed in the correct place.

ALTAR SERVERS: Anyone who has made their First Holy Communion is eligible to become an Altar Server. If anyone is interested, please come forward to John Hogan or Father Mathew. Parents, please support your children in this endeavour where you can. Any questions or concerns regarding the same, please do not hesitate to speak with someone following Mass.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Due to a change in personal circumstances, Emelia who was kindly leading the restart of our Children's liturgy on the third Sunday of every month has had to step back. We are working to replace her in order to continue with this as soon as possible. We will let everyone know if the February session will go ahead, but if anyone would like to come forward in the meantime to lead or assist the Children's liturgy group, please request a DBS form from Mary Richardson (Jnr) - Choir leader and provide your name to Kate so that we can attempt to continue this for our children.

CAFOD: Pledge a monthly gift in this Year of Jubilee, Pope Francis calls on us to be tangible signs of hope for those of our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind. Visit cafod.org.uk/hope to pledge a monthly gift to CAFOD this Holy Year and support communities around the world experiencing the challenges of poverty, injustice, conflict and climate change.

CAFOD is looking for new volunteers to join their **Education volunteer programme** visiting schools in Cardiff-Menevia. Full training will be provided and travel expenses covered. Please get in touch with Kate if you or a friend would like to know more.

EASTER SERVICE TIMES

Ash Wednesday	10.00am Mass	(joint Mass with School)
Maundy Thursday	7.00pm Mass	
Good Friday	3.00pm Mass	
Easter Vigil (Saturday)	6.00pm Mass	
Easter Sunday	10.00am Mass	

