

# Newsletter of the Catholic Communities on Anglesey

(Amlwch, Beaumaris, Benllech, Holyhead, Llangefni, Menai Bridge, Rhosneigr)

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*March 27th 2022 4th Sunday of Lent*

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**Holyhead (St Mary's) Parish Office Hours** Monday,  
Wednesday, Friday 9am - 3pm. 01407 762457

### Time of Masses on Anglesey

<b>Amlwch</b>	4pm Saturday, Tues 10am	Penitential Service
<b>Beaumaris</b>	6pm Saturday	
<b>Benllech</b>	10am Sunday, 10am Wednesday	
<b>Menai Bridge</b>	not open	
<b>Holyhead</b>	6pm Saturday, 11am Sunday, Wednesday 11am, Friday 10am	
<b>Llangefni</b>	11am Sunday,	
<b>Rhosneigr</b>	9am Sunday, Thursday 10am	

**Midweek Service of the Word** every Thursday morning  
at 10am via Zoom.

### Booking for Mass by phone or email:

**Amlwch** – Alix Warren 01407 830041  
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**PLEASE REMEMBER:** Whenever Holyhead have a Service of Word and Communion there is a streamed Mass from St Joseph's, Llangefni, using the Mobile Streaming App. Go to [www.omianglesey.org.uk](http://www.omianglesey.org.uk) and click on Mobile Stream above the picture of St Mary's Church.

**Weekday Masses in Holyhead** are on Wednesday and Friday. St Mary's School are going back to Mass on Friday which they had pre-pandemic.

**This Friday Mass at 10am is open to all**

**During Lent the Wednesday Mass is at 11am** followed by Stations of the Cross (and Lenten Lunches).

**JOHN RUSHE FUNERAL.** Reception into St Mary's Church, Holyhead, at 5pm this Tuesday with funeral Mass on Wednesday at 11am. Burial at St Mary's Cemetery.

**A PENITENTIAL SERVICE (Reconciliation/Confession)** - Amlwch Church this coming Tuesday at 10am, St Mary's, Holyhead Thursday 31st March at 7pm, Benllech - Weds April 6th at 10am, Llangefni -Thursday April 7th 10am or 11am (To be decided), Beaumaris -Thursday April 7th at 7pm All are welcome to attend any of these services.

**THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP):** Grateful thanks to all those who continue to support the SVP by donating goods and funds for the benefit of those in need within our communities. Since the start of this year, we have received £100 from Alix Warren donated from the sale of pre-loved goods on her stall in Amlwch. Additionally, a further £60 has been donated and an offer of household furniture and bedding. We still need to strengthen our membership on Anglesey to make sure that we can continue to seek, find and help those in poverty ( whatever form that takes). If you have a desire to help, all it takes is a small amount of time. A visit, a trip to a coffee shop or a garden centre or merely a regular phone call can make such a difference to someone who is lonely or isolated or just can't get out on their own. If anyone has any ideas for local projects to improve the lives of individuals and / or groups across the Island, please let us know. **Contact : Sue Roberts by e-mail to : [SusanR@svp.org.uk](mailto:SusanR@svp.org.uk) or by text or phone - 01407 730984 / 07715 580251.**

**We pray for those who are sick in our 7 Faith Communities: .....**

**We pray too for those who have died recently:** James Thomas.

**And for those who have anniversaries around this time:** John Kane, Kath Jones, Frank Nutter, Audrey Meade, Maureen Dugdale, Lucy Garrod, Tom Marsland, Mary Hughes, Ethel Unsworth, Ann Corbett. Colin Brooker, Maura and Chris Mannion, Frederick Brown,

{If you are reading this on Friday 25th, BY EMAIL, then this is a reminder that tomorrow - Saturday - there is a 'COMMUNITY WALK AGAINST HUNGER' - Saturday 26th March. Meet at St Anne's, Menai Bridge, 1pm. Raising funds for this year's CAFÉ Lenten Campaign our walk will take us along the Belgian Promenade under the Menai Bridge and back to St Anne's Carpark.) **AND ALSO PLEASE NOTE** that the Lenten Retreat which took place last Saturday is being repeated tomorrow at 10am via Zoom. Get in touch with Pauline Thomas for the link to join. It will end at 12.15pm at the latest.}

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER:** The next session is this Monday at 7pm via Zoom led by Sr Mary Dargie.

**A LENTEN RETREAT HAS BEEN ORGANISED** by members of Amlwch parish at Noddfa in Penmaenmawr for next Thursday 31st March : 9.30 for a 10am start - finish at 3.30pm. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. Transport is available on request. Suggested donation = £20 but this must not be a barrier to anyone wishing to attend who cannot afford it. We have a contingency provided by kind donations. **All are welcome** but numbers may be limited. **Please contact Sue Roberts NOW** if you would like to come along. Tel : 01407 730984 / 07715 580251

**LENTEN JOURNEY WEEK 4:** "Redeeming the women of the Bible and Church History" Companion, with Gemma Simmonds—next Friday 1st April via Zoom.

**CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS PLANNING SESSION:** This Wednesday 30th March, 7pm.

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2022:** The Island online Confirmation Preparation Programme "Empower" will begin after Easter on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. If your child is baptised and has received the Sacraments of Reconciliation + Holy Communion and is 13 years old or older, then they are eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. To join, get an enrolment form from Fr Joe or Fr Frank and return it at the latest by 10th April. A parent's evening will be held by Zoom on Tuesday 26th April where queries will be answered. The first session for the candidates will be on 3rd May at 7pm via Zoom.

**PRAY AND PONDER THE SCRIPTURE:** Tuesday 19th April, 7pm via Zoom.

**PREPARATION FOR OUR ISLAND ASSEMBLY 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022 'For a Synodal Church'.** We have 17 conversation groups meeting throughout our faith communities through the coming months. Let us hold each other in prayer as we prepare for our Island Assembly 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**Contact [paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com](mailto:paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com) to receive a Zoom Link to any of the above session**

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**LENTEN LUNCHESES** have resumed in St Mary's, Holyhead after the 11am Wednesday Mass. This comprises soup, cheese and bread with tea or coffee. There is also a raffle. Any money raised goes to CAFOD. The Wrexham Diocesan Representative for CAFOD, Colette Byrne, paid a visit to St Mary's at the Lenten Lunch last Wednesday. She came to thank all who had raised money for CAFOD in all the Churches over many years. But she was also there to present Tony McNicholl (Trearddur Bay) with an "Oscar Romero" crucifix in recognition for the great work Tony has done over a long period of time in the field of justice, peace, Fairtrade and many other areas of life which impact on helping the poor and disadvantaged having some relief from their suffering and pain. This recognition for Tony is well deserved, and thank you to him for keeping before our minds, in a quiet way, those who are less fortunate.

**LAST THURSDAY** our 6 Churches were open from 1pm - 3pm for individual private prayer for Ukraine. Thank you to those who came to pray on our behalf. Money donated at that time will go to the Ukraine appeal.



**MOTHERING SUNDAY** is celebrated this Sunday - the Fourth Sunday of Lent. It's a day to show our Mothers that we appreciate and love them. Happy Mothering Sunday!

**CHURCH CLEANING** - St Mary's Church would like to re-start the Church cleaning rota and have had 4 volunteers put their names forward. It would be great to have a few more helpers so if you can spare just 1 hour it would be appreciated. Please call the parish office. Thanks.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:** Thank you to those who contribute to the upkeep of Church and Parish by contributing via the Offertory Envelopes. The boxes for the new financial year can be collected at the rear of the Church. If you don't see your box there let Helen know in the Parish Office Tel 762457.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS.** The new rota for ministers in St Mary's Holyhead is at the back of the Church. If you are unable to attend on a particular date, please can you find a replacement.

**PALM SUNDAY APRIL 10TH** - We are having Teas/ coffees, Raffle, cake stall and Fair Trade stall in the hall after 11am Mass in Holyhead. All money raised will be for Ukraine Refugees

**WELCOMERS** at the 6pm and 11am Masses in St Mary's are starting up again after 2 years. A new Rota is available in the Church porch.