

NEWSLETTER OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES ON ANGLESEY

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

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We pray for those who are sick at this time - at home,
in our nursing homes and in hospital - especially

We pray also for those who have died recently -
Martin Lawrence Gildart, Mary Sheridan

And for those who have anniversaries around this time: Essie Duggan, Des Jones, Chris Cranley, Charles McHugh, Paddy Kelly, John McMullan, Mark Youlden, Julie Thomas, Terence Whitley, Mike Smith, Peter Davis, Florence Jackson, Kathleen Thompson, Vincent Mayne, Fred Simm

OVER THE WEEKEND OF 22ND/23RD APRIL the time of Mass in Holyhead and Rhosneigr will change. Mass in Rhosneigr will be on Saturday 22nd at 6pm, with the one Mass in Holyhead taking place at 10.30 am on Sunday 23rd. Thus: no Saturday evening Mass in Holyhead and no Sunday morning Mass in Rhosneigr.

TIME OF MASSES ON ANGLESEY

Amlwch 4pm Saturday, 10am Tuesday
Beaumaris 6pm Saturday,
Benllech 10am Sunday,
Menai Bridge not open
Holyhead 6pm Saturday, 11am Sunday,
11am Wednesday followed by
Stations Of The Cross, 10am Friday
Llangefni 11am Sunday, 11am Thursday
Rhosneigr 9am Sunday, 10am Thursday

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 catholicchurchesanglesey.org.uk / click on *Mobile*

DAY OF REFLECTION led by Fr Brian Maher OMI:
Saturday 25th March 10.30 – 3pm, St Mary's Hall,
Holyhead. *Creation, Death and Resurrection ~ God's eternal dance.*

Tea and Coffee will be served from 10am – 10.30am with the Day of Reflection beginning at 10.30 through to 3pm. We are very happy to welcome Fr Brian back once again to lead this Day of Reflection. It is intended as a prayerful, meditation on the Easter mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. By placing it in the context of cosmic death and resurrection we can better appreciate the Universal love of God, present from the beginning. **Laudato Si, Pope Francis' encyclical on the Earth as 'our common home' will be central to this day. Please bring a packed lunch.*

2ND COLLECTION The 2nd collection for the Turkey & Syria earthquake victims amounted to: Amlwch/Benllech £296 and Beaumaris/Llangefni £335. Many thanks for your generosity.

THIS WEEKEND Holyhead and Rhosneigr are having a 2nd collection for CAFOD. The money received will be shared between the Lenten Cafod Appeal and the Turkey Syria Appeal.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - HOLYHEAD -

Monday 6th March at 2pm in St David's, Morawelon. *All are welcome*

LENTEN LEAFLETS 2023: The Second Lenten Leaflet for this 2nd Sunday of Lent is available. It contains prayers, a Gospel Reflection based on the Sunday Readings and questions for us to reflect on as we journey through Lent. Please take one home with you to use during the week. It is available at the rear of our Churches.

PRAY & PONDER THE SCRIPTURE: Wednesday 8th March, 7pm via Zoom

Visit the **new 'Lent 2023' page on the website** for resources and events to take part in and enrich your Lenten Journey.

LENTEN JOURNEY Fridays 11am – 12.30 via Zoom Beginning Friday 3rd March

Come together to follow the Lenten Journey videos:

Session 3: Gender and the Common Good Companion ~ Tina Beattie

Session 4: Politics and the Common Good Companions ~ Philippa Whitford

Session 5: Synodality and the Common Good Companion ~ Birgit Weiler

Session 6: Liturgy and the Common Good Companion ~ Tom O'Loughlin

(See the Poster on the website for more information)

Contact paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com for a zoom link to the Friday Group Sessions. All are welcome.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT. Join in spreading a simple message by making the small switch to Fairtrade. Fairtrade supports producers in protecting the future of some of our most-loved food and the planet. **Support Fairtrade Fortnight** between Monday **6th - 12th March** by buying from the fairtrade section in our Supermarkets. Coop and Lidl have the best range of products. Please try and give support to this project, it will make a big difference.



LENTEN LUNCHES IN HOLYHEAD: Thanks to all who came in to the Parish Hall after the Mass and the Stations of the Cross last Wednesday - St David's Day. Thanks also to those who prepared the soups - they were delicious. £150 was raised for CAFOD. Colette Byrne, Community Participation Coordinator, for CAFOD North Wales and CAFOD Liverpool joined us for the Lenten Lunch and thanked everyone for all their donations over the last 12 months. The Lenten lunches will continue each Wednesday 12 noon during Lent. Soup, bread, cheese, tea & coffee. £3 per person. A lot of hard work and time is given voluntarily by those who make the soups and prepare the Hall. Please come along to support.

LENTEN LUNCHES IN ST JOSEPH'S, LLANGFNI: every Thursday: - 12noon following 11am Mass. All donations for Cafod.

LENT TALKS BBC RADIO 4: Six people well-known in their fields reflect on the story of Jesus' ministry and Passion. Listen on Wednesday evenings at 20.45pm.

SEQUENCE DANCING will be taking a break while Amlwch Church Hall is being painted. **Dancing will resume again on Thursday March 23rd at 2pm.**

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE to take part in World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon.

The Oblate Pilgrimage 31st July – 9th August 2023: Ages 18-35 25 places available.

This Oblate Pilgrimage is heavily subsidised. If you know of anyone who might be interested aged 18-35 contact Pauline Thomas as well as email Padraig Corcoran to register interest (p.corcoran@oblates.ie Tel: +353(87)7723255).

The places are being filled so contact ASAP to assure a place.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH 2023 FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE : Pope Francis tells us, "In response to cases of abuse, especially to those committed by members of the Church, it's not enough to ask for forgiveness. Asking for forgiveness is necessary, but it is not enough. Asking for forgiveness is good for the victims, but they are the ones who have to be "at the centre" of everything. Their pain and their psychological wounds can begin to heal if they find answers - if there are concrete actions to repair the horrors they have suffered and to prevent them from happening again. The Church cannot try to hide the tragedy of abuse of any kind. Nor when the abuse takes place in families, in clubs, or in other types of institutions. The Church must serve as a model to help solve the issue and bring it to light in society and in families. The Church must offer safe spaces for victims to be heard, supported psychologically, and protected." This month Pope Francis invites us to join in his prayer intention **"...for those who have suffered because of the wrongs done to them from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering."**