NEWSLETTER OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES ON YNYS MÔN

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

Striving to be <u>"Welcoming, Inclusive and Outward Looking"</u> "Croesawgar, Cynhwysol ac Eangfrydig"

The Oblate Centre of Mission on Anglesey is part of the Diocese of Wrexham: Reg Charity: 700426

The 33rd Sunday of the Year 19th November 2023

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We pray for those who have died recently

And those who have anniversaries around this time:

Stasia Bowman, James Fieldsend, Joseph Ashurst, John Carrigan, Violet Painter. Michael Joseph Bartley, Ronald O'Hare, Ken Jones, William McMahon, James Fielding, Joseph

Cunningham, Margaret (Meg) Jones, Robert Hutchinson, Joan Barry, Jack Sharp, Lena Orrrells, Mai Campbell, Phyllis Dunne. Stefan Silkowski, Sally Jones.

TIME OF MASSES ON ANGLESEY

Amlwch 4pm Saturday, Tuesday 10am

Beaumaris 6pm Saturday,

Benllech 10am Sunday, Wednesday 10am

Holyhead 10.30am Sunday, Wednesday 10am + Friday 10am

Llangefni 11am Sunday, 10am Thursday **Rhosneigr** 5pm Saturday, 10am Thursday

The times of these Masses have changed this Saturday 4th November.

Amlwch will change from 5pm to 4pm and Rhosneigr from 6pm to 5pm.

The Annual Monetary Collection for the upkeep of our Cemetery in Holyhead will take place this Sunday 19th November. This money is used to pay for the grass cutting and the general tidiness of this burial place. There is no other collection during the year, so your generosity is greatly appreciated.

As you may have heard our Island clergy have been struck by illness this week. Fr Joe is now back home and we expect Fr Frank will be out of hospital soon. We all send our best wishes and prayers to them both. This has meant that we have had to have Services of Word and Communion across the Island instead of Mass. We are hoping that we will be back to normal soon but at this time it is difficult to predict when. I would like to thank everyone who is stepping up to help out including our Leaders of Prayer. We will keep you all updated.

Christine Hunt

Co-Chair of the Island Mission Group/Anglesey Pastoral Council.

ISLAND MISSION GROUP DEVELOPMENTS

As you know the Island Mission Group has being overseeing developments across our Island for over a decade. One of our most important role is to plan for the future of our Island in these uncertain times. We now have two representatives of each of our worshipping communities and together we develop an action plan for future Island wide initiatives. Over the last year we have been looking at our organisation and how we can adapt to the needs of our communities. Part of this has been to help communication with the communities by setting up boards that will give information about who your representatives are and how to contact them along with agenda and minutes of our meetings. These should be in place after Christmas. We have also renamed our group to the Anglesey Pastoral Council(APC). We hope this title is more accessible for everyone. We hope that these changes will bring about a new understanding of our work and more input from you all.

THE SOCIAL EVENTS TEAM (ST MARY'S) ARRANGED A SOCIAL EVENING LAST SATURDAY 11TH OF NOVEMBER.

THE EVENING WAS A GREAT SUCCESS AND RAISED OVER £600 FOR THE CAFOD APPEAL FOR PALESTINE RELIEF WORK. THANKS TO EVERYONE INVOLVED.

BEREAVEMENT SERVICE IN HOLYHEAD will be held on 21st Nov at 7.00pm. This is open to everyone and not jut those who have been bereaved during the past year. Everyone is welcome.

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH LLANGEFNI TO BE DRAWN ON SUNDAY 26TH NOV are making an appeal for Raffle Prizes for a raffle that will take place at the end of November in aid of CHILDREN WITH CANCER UK. be useful for a mini hamper, non perishable food, toiletries, wine, chocolates, gift vouchers or any suitable raffle prizes. If you do have any donations they can be dropped in to the parish office and we will make sure that they get to Sara Cannon who is organising the raffle or call her on 01248 372992 if you would like her to pick them up.

<u>EUGENE DE MAZENOD 101: FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 11AM.</u> SESSION 3: 'RETURN TO AIX - A GRADUAL CONVERSION PROCESS'

This course is about the life and spirituality of St. Eugene de Mazenod, founder of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Each session will include a video of around 20 minutes. Supplementary material for each session will be available if you want to learn more and go deeper. To participate in these sessions email: paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com. There is a poster in all our Churches giving this same information.

<u>LAUDATO SI GROWING POTS GROUP</u>: St Joseph's, Llangefni Thursday 23rd November 10.45am following 10am Mass We are helping one another to learn more about growing our own food by pot planting vegetables and fruit. The group meets monthly. Experienced planters and complete novices welcome! Jobs to do in your garden in November & what to grow!

<u>DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:</u> Island Advent Retreat Day, **Saturday 9th December**, St Mary's Hall, Holyhead, 10.30am 3.30pm 'Journeying through the Wilderness as we become Pilgrims of Hope'

<u>ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE</u> - Sunday 10th December after 10.30am Mass in Holyhead. A festive celebration of mince pies and cakes, tombola, various stalls and a Raffle. Donations to the stalls - Bric a Brac, Cakes, books etc - very welcome. <u>CHOIR CONCERT FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER</u> - 7pm in St Mary's Church. Holyhead Male Voice Choir plus other guests will be singing a variety of popular songs including Christmas Carols. More information to follow. Tickets on sale soon, proceeds toward renovation of House, Hall and Oratory in Holyhead.

<u>TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE SERVED</u> after 10am Mass in Benllech this Sunday and after the 10.30am Mass in Holyhead. Volunteers are needed in St Mary's if we want to continue each Sunday morning.

<u>WELCOMING ROTA HOLYHEAD</u> - Please collect your new rotas at the back of church and take note of your duty days. We thank everyone who volunteers for this very important ministry. Please find a replacement if you cannot attend on that day.

<u>IF ANYONE HAS AN HOUR TO SPARE ONCE PER MONTH</u> to help on the Church cleaning team in St Marys, Holyhead - it would be greatly appreciated. Contact the Parish Office.

AN ADVENT WREATHE AFTERNOON the date of this has been changed to <u>SAT 25th Nov</u> in St Mary's church hall at 12pm. Cost £5 - includes all materials for wreathe and refreshments. <u>Booking necessary by 19th Nov so we can buy the items</u>.

THE LIGHTHOUSE (the Holyhead charity that St Mary's contributes to every week bringing food items brought in by parishioners at Sunday Mass) would like to thank you for all your donations. They are currently needing fresh fruit and vegetables. Also at Christmas they are working with Mon Cf to collect items for Christmas boxes that will be handed out to homeless people. If you would like to donate an item for this between now and Christmas we will pass these on. Items for example: hats, gloves, toiletries, chocolates, biscuits, socks. This has been designated our Advent charity appeal for St Marys this year.

<u>THE SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS</u> is of the utmost importance within our Faith Communities. There are posters in all our Churches and our two parish halls with the information below should you need to contact the relevant Safeguarding Officer.

Safeguarding Officers:

Amlwch/Benllech: Kathy Kenny 01248 410671 Gareth Roberts 07885 619407

Beaumaris/Llangefni: Maureen Catarall, Ann McFarlane 01248 421004

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