

NEWSLETTER OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES ON YNYS MÔN

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

Striving to be “Welcoming, Inclusive and Outward Looking”

“Croesawgar, Cynhwysol ac Eangfrydig”

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

We pray also for those who have died recently: Joe Fleming, Nick Sharman, Dean Vincent Bedgood and John Reilly.

And those who have anniversaries around this time:

Ivor Shaw, Paddy Duggan, Anne McHugh, Thomas Robson, Claire Lynch, Margaret Hatt, Lewis Littlefield, Violet Butler, Jane Shiels, Margaret Robinson, Jeanette Acton, Mary Woolley, Pauline Jones, Tom McCormack.



TIME OF MASSES ON ANGLESEY

Amlwch	5pm Saturday, 10am Tuesday
Beaumaris	6pm Saturday
Benllech	10am Sunday, 10am Wednesday
Menai Bridge	not open
Holyhead	10.30am Sunday, 10am Wednesday, 10am Friday
Llangefni	11am Sunday
Rhosneigr	6pm Saturday, 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*

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL READING

It is so easy, when reading the story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, to fall into the trap of analysing it, looking for messages concealed in the text. It may be interesting to do that, but if we do, we will miss what

God is saying to us through this simple encounter between two sad and depressed disciples of Jesus and a stranger they meet on the road. Everything Jesus did in life showed us the 'real' God who created us in love, and never abandons us. The invitation in today's Gospel is simply to join these two travellers on their journey to Emmaus. The secret to understanding the story is nothing more than watching and listening to their conversation. If we can do this, without judgement or analysis, Jesus will once again 'show us' the God who created us. For the two disciples on the road, we are told "their hearts burned within them" as they listened to the stranger. Even without recognising him, their hope was restored and their sadness replaced with joy.

If we can sit quietly with this Gospel, watching and listening, our hope will also be restored and our "hearts, too, will burn within us." This is what God wants for each one of us. It is what Easter is about – renewed hope, rekindled trust, and when the time is right, opening our eyes to recognise the Risen Lord in the breaking of bread.

TEA, COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS will be served in St Mary's Parish Hall, Holyhead, after the 10.30am Mass this weekend. All are welcome after the Celebration of our first 10.30am Sunday Mass.

TEAS - HOLYHEAD—Now that we have the one congregation each weekend, it would be nice to have teas after Mass on a more regular basis. But people are needed to make this happen. Maybe you could sign on with a friend/family member just once throughout the Summer months. A new Rota sheet can be found in the Church porch for you to sign up to.

WELCOMING HOLYHEAD. With the reorganisation of Masses, Sr Sylvia has drawn up a new Welcoming Rota. This is an important ministry and your involvement is very much appreciated.

NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA (ST MARY'S) is at the back of the Church please take a copy home with you. If you are unable to attend please find a replacement. A list of contact numbers is on the back of the rota.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SESSION THIS Monday 24th April 7pm via Zoom Contact Pauline to join in.

DEMENTIA FRIENDS GET TOGETHER: This Monday 24th April 7pm - 8pm via Zoom. The Dementia Friendly Diocesan Steering Group are inviting all to come to the next online gathering to share the latest information and support available for carers and loved ones living with dementia. Join in to prepare for Dementia Action Week this May and share ways in which valuable relationships have developed from this work within our local communities, as we strive towards becoming a Dementia Friendly Diocese. **Booking Essential Please e-mail Jeanie Larkin at: mfl@rcdwxm.org.uk Or telephone: 07542 268728**

THE TRAINING AND REFRESHER COURSE FOR BEREAVEMENT VISITORS AND FUNERAL MINISTERS

takes place on the following dates at St Joseph's Church, Llangefni Thursdays 11am - 12.30pm beginning 8th June:

Session 1: Thursday 8th June

Session 2: Thursday 15th June

Session 3: Thursday 22nd June

Session 4: Thursday 29th June

Session 5: Thursday 13th July

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 IN LISBON 31st July – 9th August 2023: Ages 18-35. ***This Oblate Pilgrimage is 50% subsidised.*** If you know of anyone who might be interested contact Pauline Thomas as well as emailing Padraig Corcoran (p.corcoran@oblates.ie) Tel: +353(87)7723255

LOURDES: The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place 17th –22nd September. For more details, or to make a booking, contact Kirk Jacob 0207 624 7296 or email k.jacob@oblates.co.uk with any enquiries.

Booking Forms are at the back of the Church..

COLETTE AND LIZZIE WINTLE (Mother and daughter - Trearddur Bay) would like to thank all who supported them on their recent walk on part of the Camino de Santiago. They raised a fantastic £2,565 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Many thanks to you all. Maybe next year they could organise a group to do the walk!!



SAINT GEORGE "For the Persecuted" 24th April. When the pagan Emperor Diocletian started persecuting Christians, St. George pleaded with the Emperor to spare their lives. However, St. George's pleas fell on deaf ears and it is thought that the Emperor Diocletian tried to make St. George deny his faith in Christ, by torturing him. St George showed incredible courage and faith and was finally beheaded near Lydda in Palestine on 23rd April, 303. There is much talk nowadays about the apathy surrounding Saint George's day and about what we should do to celebrate it, but we could do no worse than make St. George's commitment to stand up for the persecuted our own. **To do:-** Support a charity that champions the needs of the persecuted. Starting points might include, 'The Church in Need', or the 'Barnabas Fund'.

PARKING IN THE DENTIST SURGERY IN HOLYHEAD. As there is only one Mass in Holyhead at the weekend, parking might be a little bit harder to find. If you would like to park in the Dentist car park regularly on a Sunday morning it is possible to use the spaces there **BUT YOU MUST GIVE YOUR CAR REGISTRATION TO GINA MATHEWS WHO HAS KINDLY ARRANGED THIS OR TO HELEN IN THE PARISH OFFICE PRIOR TO PARKING THERE.** Once you have given your car registration you can park there each Sunday. Remember if you should change your car the surgery will need the new registration. If you park there and have not given in your registration - you will be fined.