

NEWSLETTER OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES ON ANGLESEY

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

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Ynys Môn Newsletter - Fifth Sunday of Lent 26th March 2023

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

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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:

Eirian Roberts and Robert McKenna

And for those who have anniversaries around this

time: Patrick & Kathleen Rigney, Audrey Meade, Lucy Garrod, Kathleen Jones, Frank Nutter, Maureen Dugdale, Kate Fry, Edwin Fallowell, Len King.

ON THE WEEKEND OF 22/23 APRIL the time of weekend Mass in Holyhead and Rhosneigr will change. Mass in Rhosneigr will be on Saturday Evenings at 6pm, with the one Mass in Holyhead taking place at 10.30 am on Sunday Mornings. Thus: from that weekend onwards 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, 10am Wednesday
Menai Bridge not open
Holyhead 6pm Saturday, 11am Sunday,
11am Wednesday + Stations Of The Cross,
10am Friday
Llangefni 11am Sunday, 11am Thursday
Rhosneigr 9am Sunday, **NO MASS ON 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*

LENTEN LEAFLETS 2023: The Fifth and final Lenten Leaflet for this 5th 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.

LENTEN FRUGAL LUNCH - BEAUMARIS DISTRICT

All the churches & chapels in the area are getting together on Wednesday 29th March in the Capel Y Drindod School Room, Rosemary Lane 12 - 1,30pm. Funds raised will be donated to the Food Bank.

HOLY PLACES COLLECTION (GOOD FRIDAY)

To Support Christians in the Holy Land. 100% of donations taken up by the Good Friday Collection support Christians in the Holy Land. The continued existence of programs that support Christians in the Holy Land depends on the faithful financial support received from our brothers and sisters in Christ. Your donation helps maintain the holiest of shrines and provides charitable activities for the poorest of people in that area. The Religious Order of the Franciscans in the Holy Land also provide education to children, run parishes and provide liturgical, ecumenical and communications programs. It is because of your generosity that a Christian presence exists in the Holy Land. This collection is taken at the Good Friday Services in our Churches across the Island.

IT IS WITH SADNESS THAT WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED by our Bishop of the death of Father Shaji Punnattu THOMAS, priest of the Diocese of Wexham in his twenty-third year of ordination at the age of fifty-one - Parish Priest of S. Mair Our Lady Help of Christians, and S. David, Machynlleth and Tywyn. Please remember him in your prayers.

THE ANNUAL LENTEN SERVICES OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION ON ANGLESEY ARE THIS WEEK.

Holyhead Monday 27th March 7pm.
Amlwch Tuesday 28th March 7pm.
Beaumaris Tuesday 28th March 7pm.
Benllech Wednesday 29th March 10am.
Llangefni Thursday 30th March 11am .

AMLWCH STATIONS OF THE CROSS after Mass in Amlwch this Tuesday 28th March and Tuesday 4th April.

BENLLECH There will be an Easter flower collection in Our Lady of Lourdes Benllech **THIS** Sunday 26th March and Sunday 2nd April" to help towards the cost of flowers for decorating the Church at Easter.

WEEK 5 LENTEN LEAFLET 2023 The Final Lenten Leaflet, contains prayers, Gospel Reflections based on the Sunday Readings and questions for us to reflect on as we journey through Lent. ***Don't forget to pick up Leaflet 5 if you haven't received it by email with the Newsletter. They are at the back of each of the Churches on the Island.***

LENTEN JOURNEY - FRIDAYS 11AM – 12.30 via Zoom. ***Follow the Lenten Journey videos:***

Friday 31st March Session 5: Synodality and the Common Good Companion ~ Birgit Weiler
Liturgy and the Common Good Companion ~ Tom O'Loughlin
Contact paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com for a zoom link to the Friday Group Sessions. All are welcome.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SESSION ON ZOOM MONDAY 27TH MARCH 7PM

PRAY & PONDER THE SCRIPTURE SESSION WEDNESDAY 29TH MARCH ON ZOOM 7PM

LENTEN LUNCHESS IN HOLYHEAD: This week will be the final Lenten lunch - **THIS** Wednesday 29th March at 12 noon. Last week raised £137 for Cafod. 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 this final lunch and support CAFOD. The Lenten lunches have so far raised £557 which is an amazing amount. They have all been a great social gathering and a chance for people to catch up for a chat over a delicious lunch. So please support the last one this coming Wednesday .

LENTEN LUNCHESS IN ST JOSEPH'S, LLANGEFNI: this 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.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE to take part in World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon travelling with the Oblate Pilgrimage 31st July – 9th August 2023: Ages 18-35 A number of places are still available.

This Oblate Pilgrimage is 50% subsidised. If you know of anyone who might be interested contact Pauline Thomas as well as emailing Padraig Corcoran to register interest (p.corcoran@oblates.ie Tel: +353(87)7723255).

CAMINO de SANTIAGO Next weekend Colette and Lizzie Wintle, parishioners from St Mary's Church (Holyhead) will start their Sponsored walk on part of the Camino de Santiago to Compostella arriving on Good Friday. They are Fundraising for the **Multiple Sclerosis Society** and are starting the trail on Saturday 1st April. If you would like to sponsor them on their walk your donations would be appreciated. Go directly to the just giving page www.justgiving.com and search for **Lizzie Wintle**. Or if you prefer you can hand your donation in to the Parish Office. We all wish them well and safe and successful trip.

"THE HOLY LAND AND US". On BBC2 television last Wednesday at 9pm and also next Wednesday (also available on iPlayer,) was a documentary exploring the personal stories of families of Jewish and Palestinian heritage - and the ways in which they have been defined by events in those two countries. This year marks 75 years since the State of Israel was founded. For Jews across the world, this represented a longed-for opportunity to find a place of safety. For Palestinians the events of this period, which created over 700,000 refugees and resulted in hundreds of towns and villages being destroyed, are known as the Nakba, Arabic for Catastrophe. This tv series gets to the heart of what happened to people on both sides of the conflict as the Middle East was shaped. Those taking part share their profoundly personal and often deeply tragic stories. (The Link: www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m001k3wj).