



## NEWSLETTER OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES ON ANGLESEY

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

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*Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*

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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:

John Regan, Alan Kennedy, Paul Kennedy, Kevin Kelly, Eirian Roberts and Robert McKenna.

### And those who have anniversaries around this time:

Tom Marsland, Mary Hughes, Ethel Unsworth, Mary Foster, Ann Corbett, Richard Thomas, Maura and Chris Mannion, Susanna Littlefield, Ira Eva Reilly, Eric Jones, Vincent Short, Eileen Patricia Magee.

**The Funeral Mass** for John Regan will take place in St Mary's Church, Holyhead at **12 noon next Wednesday** 5th April, with burial in St Mary's Cemetery.

**MASS TIME CHANGES:** On the weekend of 22/23 April Mass times will change in Holyhead and Rhosneigr. Saturday Evening Mass will be at 6pm in St Therese's Rhosneigr. Sunday Mass will be at 10.30 am in St Mary's Holyhead.

### THE HOLY PLACES COLLECTION ON GOOD FRIDAY

is to support fellow Christians in the Holy Land. 100% of donations taken up on Good Friday in Catholic Churches (certainly in UK) goes to support Christians in the Holy Land. The continued existence of programs that support Christians there depends on the faithful financial support received from our sisters and brothers 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. Thanks to the generosity of fellow Christians here at home a Christian presence exists in the Holy Land.

**Easter Triduum:** The term triduum means 'three days.' The three days are counted as the Hebrews counted their days, from dusk to dusk. Therefore, the three days of the Easter triduum are from dusk on Holy Thursday to dusk on Good Friday (day one), dusk on Good Friday to dusk on Holy Saturday (day two), and dusk on Holy Saturday to dusk on Easter Sunday (day three). Each of those days 'tells' a different part of the story of Jesus' saving action. We look at the Easter Triduum as one single celebration that lasts for three days. We cannot separate the death of Jesus from his resurrection. We do not spend all of the three days in church, but at various times during those days, we are called to church to gather and remember together. Because the Triduum tells an ongoing story, try if you can to make all the services.



**Holy Thursday: Amlwch, Holyhead, Llangefni: 7pm.**

**Good Friday: Benllech, Holyhead, Llangefni: 3pm.**

**Easter Vigil: Amlwch 7pm, Beaumaris, 8pm, Holyhead 8pm.**

**Easter Sunday: Rhosneigr 9am, Benllech 10am, Holyhead 11am, Llangefni 11am.**

**A WARM WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS** who are here for the Easter holiday. We wish you an enjoyable and restful stay on our beautiful Island of Anglesey. And hope the sun shines for you.

### Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for April 2023

*"For a culture of peace and non-violence"*

**AMLWCH STATIONS OF THE CROSS** after 10am Mass this Tuesday 4th April.

**BENLLECH.** There will be an Easter flower collection in Our Lady of Lourdes Church **THIS** Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April" to help towards the cost of flowers for decorating the Church at Easter.

**FINAL LENTEN LUNCH IN HOLYHEAD:** Thanks to all those who supported the Lenten Lunches £702 was raised for CAFOD. Thanks to Rhonda Jameson for all her help and encouragement each week at the Lunches. Well done to everyone.

**THE LENTEN LUNCHES AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, LLANGFNI** on Thursdays throughout raised money for CAFOD, the total is still to be counted. Thank you to all who supported these Lunches, to Brunhild Tynan and Maureen Foster, and also to Eileen Lewis Davis who made the delicious soup four out of five weeks.

**PRAY & PONDER THE SCRIPTURE** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April via Zoom 7pm. PLEASE NOTE the sessions will be every third Tuesday not Wednesday.

**LAUDATO SI' ACTION PLANNING GROUP:** Meeting 2pm Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April via Zoom

**'LOVE THE STRANGER' A CATHOLIC RESPONSE TO REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS** via Zoom Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April, 11am.

On 14 March 2023, the Department for International Affairs of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, published *Love the Stranger: A Catholic Response to Migrants and Refugees*. Join in on Zoom to read 'Love the Stranger' and to reflect together on its message for us. Contact [paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com](mailto:paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com) for the zoom link.

**DEMENTIA FRIENDS GET TOGETHER:** Monday 24th April 2023 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 by Monday 17th April 2023.** e-mail Jeanie Larkin at: [mfl@rcdwxm.org.uk](mailto:mfl@rcdwxm.org.uk) Or telephone: 07542 268728

**AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO TAKE PART IN WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 IN LISBON** travelling with the Oblate Pilgrimage 31<sup>st</sup> July – 9<sup>th</sup> 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 Pdraig Corcoran ([p.corcoran@oblates.ie](mailto:p.corcoran@oblates.ie) Tel: +353(87)7723255).

**MARRIAGE CARE:** Marriage Care are pleased to offer a *Preparing Together* course for those preparing to get married in the Catholic Church this year. The course will take place at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Jubilee Road, Buckley. CH7 2BF on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2023. This is a full day course with arrivals from 9.30am for a 10am start, and the course will finish at 4pm. In addition to the material shared with them about building and sustaining relationships, we'll also explore the importance and significance of the vows they will make in Church, before God, family and friends, in terms of their religious and public commitment to each other. A certificate is available on completion of the course. **Booking is essential and is online** at [Find a Preparing Together Course \(In person\) - Marriage Care](#). A fee is charged and couples from our Diocese benefit from a reduced fee of £110. If couples are in a situation where this fee is unaffordable, they can contact the Marriage Care booking service on **0800 389 3801 Mon – Thurs (9 am–6 pm)** who will, without judgment, book their place and reduce or waive the fee altogether. A reminder also that relationship counselling is available through Marriage Care too, for any couples who may be in need. Further information about counselling services may be found here: <https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/how-we-help/relationship-counselling/>

**WALK OF WITNESS.** The Good Friday (this Friday) Walk of Witness takes place in our various parish areas. In Holyhead it starts by assembling in St Mary's Church for 12 noon. After a short introduction and prayer the procession makes its way along Market Street to the Millennium Cross where prayers are said and hymns are sung. This is organised by Cytûn (Churches Together) and most religious denominations take part. Sadly, each Good Friday, the Catholic Church is usually the least represented in giving witness at this walk.

**EASTER DAWN SERVICE** at the St Ffraid's Cross on Trearddur Bay Promenade 6.30am Easter Morning. Another event organised by Cytûn - to welcome the Risen Christ among us at sunrise (or near it!).

**LOURDES** The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place 17th –22nd September. This year 2023 they are celebrating 140 yrs since the first Oblate pilgrimage in 1883. The Pilgrimage package is 5 Nights in Lourdes staying in Hotel Panorama, the price £695 includes flights from Manchester to Carcassonne and transfers, a full pilgrimage programme, breakfast, lunch and dinner and travel insurance. For more details or to make a booking contact Kirk Jacob 0207 624 7296 or email [k.jacob@oblates.co.uk](mailto:k.jacob@oblates.co.uk) he will be happy to help you with any enquiries.