

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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The 26th Sunday of the Year 1st October 2023

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We pray for those who are sick:

We pray for those who have died recently:

Harold Davies, Pat Cotter, Robert Roberts.

And those who have anniversaries around this time:

Ken Norman, Pat Clarke, Eileen Smyth, Alan Roberts, Paddy Lyons, Michael Kenneth Lane, John Harper, Rose Harper, Morris Thomas, Iris Prince, Bridget Lally, Stan Steele, Helen Massey, Muriel Roberts, Eileen Massey, Margaret Fielding, Eleanor Whitley.

Marlon McDermott and family (Holyhead) would like to thank everyone for their cards, messages of sympathy and the love and support they received after the death of their loving Mum and Grandmother Mary McDermott.



TIME OF MASSES ON ANGLESEY

Amlwch 5pm Saturday, Tuesday 10am

Beaumaris 6pm Saturday,

Benllech 10am Sunday, Wednesday 10am

Menai Bridge not open

Holyhead 10.30am Sunday, 10am Friday

No Mass Wednesday,

Llangefni 11am Sunday, 10am Thursday

Rhosneigr 6pm Saturday, **No Mass Thursday**

Whenever Holyhead have a Service of Word and Holy Communion there is a streamed Mass from St Joseph's, Llangefni, using the Mobile Streaming App.

Go to catholicchurchesanglesey.org.uk / click on *Mobile*

THE FINAL MASS AT ST ANNE'S CHURCH MENAI BRIDGE

is this Thursday 5th October at 6pm with our Bishop Peter Brignall. Mass will be a celebration and thanksgiving of the Church's long history and of all who worshipped there.. everyone is welcome, refreshments afterwards.

CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day Friday 6th October

On Friday 6th October, we are asked to fast, and put the proceeds of our fast in the donation envelopes provided at the back of church. If you are a UK tax payer, don't forget to fill out the gift aid section. Bring your donation envelope back next Sunday or soon after. **We will have our usual second collection for Cafod next weekend the 7/8 October.**

By sharing a simple meal and giving what you save, you'll be standing in solidarity with vulnerable people who are threatened by disease and poverty, displaced from their homes and communities by the climate crisis.

CAFOD PRAYER : Seeds of Hope:

Generous God we thank you for the gifts you have given for all the people to share.

We plant seeds of hope and nurture them as we seek a harvest of plenty for all.

Forgive us for the times these seeds fail to take root in our hearts.

We grieve when homes and crops are washed away by floods, when lives are uprooted by disaster, or trampled by fear and greed.

Living God, you lead us to a new way of being.

Move us to help one another in our times of need, to care for the earth and to love one another, sharing your harvest with all. Amen.

TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE SERVED after 10am Mass in Benllech this Sunday and after the 10.30am Mass in Holyhead. Volunteers are still required to carry out this service especially in St Mary's Hall. If we can get enough volunteers we can continue this social gathering after 10.30 Mass every weekend. Sign up on the new rota at the back of the Church.

AMLWCH SEQUENCE DANCE GROUP meet every Thursday 2- 4pm in Amlwch parish hall. All are welcome.

"INSTRUCTIONS FOR MY FUNERAL": Some time ago we encouraged people to fill in the forms we printed so that your families are aware of what you would like at your Funeral Mass/Service. They are simple forms to and can be handed in to the Parish office for safekeeping or given to your family members who will make the necessary arrangements, or given to the Funeral Director of your choice. They are available at the back of all our Churches.

THE SEASON OF CREATION 2023 'LET PEACE AND JUSTICE FLOW' Here are opportunities to get involved:

"EVENING PRAYER (for 10mins) (via Zoom) *Through the Season of Creation* - this Monday 2nd October - email for the Zoom link (paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com)

OUR LADY OF LOURDES BENLLECH: Wednesday 4th October 'Cycle of Life Cafe' Coffee Morning following 10am Mass Celebrating the Season of Creation.

GROWING IN POTS SESSION: 5th October St Joseph's Church, Llangefni, 11am

Sharing our growing experience / Where to buy locally produced food/ Seasonal Fruit and Veg availability & Composting.

FILM NIGHT: 'The Letter' St Joseph's Llangefni: Thursday 12th October 7pm (PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE)

The film tells the story of various frontline leaders' journey to Rome to discuss their experience with Pope Francis how climate change 'This beautiful film – a heartbreaking yet hopeful story – is a clarion cry to people everywhere: wake up! Get serious! Act now!' *Cardinal Michael Czerny*

AN EVENING WITH ISABEL LOSADA – *The Joyful Environmentalist* Organised by Cytûn Caergybi Saturday 7th October at 7pm in St Mary's Church, Holyhead Isabel isn't interested in learning any more about the climate crisis and suspects that you aren't either. Most of us know how bad it is. Therefore, her single-minded focus is on all the solutions we can find and can enjoy. The author, comedian and environmentalist explores the best way that we can bank, heat our homes, travel, garden, dress, holiday, shop, lobby, volunteer, eat and furnish our homes. Isabel shows how all the actions we can take in order to live a 1.5 degree lifestyle, and help our planet, are also those which most enrich our lives. If you're looking for practical advice served in a fun and engaging way, look no further! And please bring a pen and notebook as we'll go away with a list full of ideas, suggestions and actions to be taken.

THE "REPAIR AND RENOVATION OF WOODWORK FUND " HAS BEGUN! St Mary's Parish (Holyhead) Centre, Oratory and House was built in 1993—thirty years ago. The woodwork all around this complex is in need of renovation and repair. Work has been done over the years, but now is the time for a professional job to be done. This will be costly, and to this end a Fund for this work has been set up. Any fundraising (Teas + Coffees on Sunday, a December concert by Holyhead Male Voice Choir, and any other fundraising donations) will be put toward this work. The overall cost of the project has not been estimated - when it is you will be informed. The fund has begun with the proceeds of last weeks teas and coffees in St Mary's£41.30 and £9.05 from the bric a brac table in the Hall. Small beginnings indeed, but, remember the parable of the mustard seed from our New Testament and how large it grew from very small beginnings! As the great Scottish poet may have said, "*Many a mickle makes a muckle*"! (*A lot of small amounts, put together, become a large amount*). Needless to say, should anyone want to forego coffees and make a private donationit would be received with grateful thanks.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER 2023 This month Pope Francis reminds us of the gift of being a good listener. Good listening isn't just about sitting quietly, hearing, and then saying what we were going to say anyhow! Being a good listener isn't about making the right noises and dishing out our own 'good advice'. A good listener understands the person who is speaking and feels how the speaker is feeling. This month Pope Francis asks us to join in his prayer intention for Oct "*That that the Church may adopt listening and dialogue as a style of life at every level, allowing herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the world's peripheries*"

SETTING UP A STANDING ORDER. Have you considered setting up a standing order for the weekly contribution you make by way of the Offertory Collection at Mass? It is simple and confidential and can be done very easily. By contributing in this way it ensures that your contribution arrives into the parish funds each week or month (or whatever you desire), which helps contribute to stable financial management. During the Covid epidemic a number of parishioners set up a standing order for which we are extremely grateful. It is also possible to *Gift Aid* this contribution if you are a tax payer. Gift aiding means that 25% of your donation is returned by the Government into the parish accounts. This can be a considerable sum of money depending on the amount of Gift Aiders. Please consider it seriously, and, if more information is required, get in touch with either the Parish Office in Holyhead of Fr Joe in Beaumaris.