

# NEWSLETTER OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES ON ANGLESEY

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

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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](#) - William Jones (Bill).

[And for those who have anniversaries around this time](#): George Perry, Catherine Banks, Patrick Hickey, John Ashurst, John Graham, Alice Corbett, Michael Cuddy, Susan Rogers, Alfred Hutchinson, Sharon Evans, Dominic Eccleston, Catherine Pratt and Graham Burnell.

### [Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February 2023](#)

Pope Francis insists on the idea of parishes continuing along the path of being a centre of welcome and listening. Parishes aren't an exclusive club, "They have to become once again schools of service and generosity, with their doors always open to those who are excluded. And to those included. To all."

This month we are invited to join in Pope Francis' prayer intention "...that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need." <https://youtu.be/f5uRUQDij-g>

### TIME OF MASSES ON ANGLESEY

<b>Amlwch</b>	4pm Saturday, 10am Tuesday
<b>Beaumaris</b>	6pm Saturday,
<b>Benllech</b>	10am Sunday, 10am Wednesday
<b>Menai Bridge</b>	not open
<b>Holyhead</b>	6pm Saturday, 11am Sunday, 10am Wednesday, 10am Friday
<b>Llangefni</b>	11am Sunday, 10am Thursday
<b>Rhosneigr</b>	9am Sunday, 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 [catholic-churchesanglesey.org.uk](http://catholic-churchesanglesey.org.uk) / click on *Mobile*

[HOLYHEAD PARISH COUNCIL](#) met on Wednesday evening and made the decision that there be one Mass at the weekend in St Mary's rather than the two at present. This Mass will be on a Sunday morning at 10.30am. St Therese, Rhosneigr will have Mass on Saturday evenings at 6pm. This new schedule will begin on Saturday evening 22nd April for Rhosneigr and Sunday morning 23rd for Holyhead. It was decided not to implement this change until after the Easter Weekend (keeping the Saturday night Easter Vigil in St Mary's), as well as giving plenty of time for the reorganisation of persons who carry out various roles in Liturgy. But the following weekend 15th/16th April is a Service of Word and Holy Communion for Holyhead/Rhosneigr. There is a desire to begin this new chapter in our faith journey by beginning it with a celebration of Mass. So that is why the weekend of 22nd/23rd April has been chosen. It is sad that the Saturday evening Mass is finishing after all the years, but it was felt by the Parish Council that our one Mass should be held in Holyhead on a Sunday morning. The core group of Parishioners in Rhosneigr have been very generous in saying they will fit in with whatever the Parish Council decided.

### JUSTICE, PEACE AND INTEGRITY OF CREATION

View together the following video, followed by reflection and discussion, to help raise awareness of the call to care for our 'Common Home' and how we can respond. *Join in this Wednesday morning at 11am* via Zoom. Contact [paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com](mailto:paulinepasassoc@btinternet.com) to receive the link. The topic is: Joe Gunn "Emerging from the COVID-19 - Pandemic: Guidance from Laudato Si".

**See the Poster on the notice boards of our Churches.**

**READING GROUP FRIDAYS 11AM – 12.15 VIA ZOOM** - Reading '15 Days of Prayer with St Eugene de Mazenod' the founder of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate and former Bishop of Marseille was canonised as saint in 1995.  
**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER:** This Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February, 7pm via Zoom

**PRAY & PONDER THE SCRIPTURE FOR THE COMING SUNDAY:** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 7pm via Zoom.  
All are welcome, contact Pauline for a Zoom link to the session.

**THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT** begins on Ash Wednesday 22nd February.

**LENTEN LUNCHES IN St MARY'S HOLYEAD.** Thank you to all those who signed up to help prepare the Lenten Lunches. They will start on Wednesday 22nd February after the Ash Wednesday Mass which will be at 11.00am followed by Stations of the Cross on each of the Wednesdays during Lent. Invite your family and friends to meet up for Lunch. All are welcome 12-2pm. Soup, Bread, Cheese, tea and coffee - £3. All proceeds will go to Cafod.

**LENTEN LUNCHES ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, LLANGEFNI:** Beginning Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 12noon following 11am Mass.  
All donations for Cafod.

**LENTEN RETREAT** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am – 3.00pm. Fr Brian Maher OMI will lead a Lenten Retreat following a 'creation / cosmos' approach to redemption/ salvation & healing, in the light of Laudato Si'. More information to follow.

**AMLWCH/BENLLECH PARISH COUNCIL** on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm Via Zoom

**YNYS CYBI & Y FALI GOOD TURN SCHEME** This scheme can offer help to any person living in the area who, due to illness, incapacity or another need, could do with a hand performing everyday tasks. These could involve transport to medical appointments, shopping, collecting prescriptions, social visits, library visits etc. To register on the scheme please contact Gwelfor Community Centre Tel 01407 763559, Mobile 07526 499179 or email veronica@morlo.co.uk. You can also contact the Scheme if you feel you could volunteer to help. All help will be greatly appreciated.

**FLAME CONGRESS 2023** A reminder that this year's *Flame* Congress will take place on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March at the Wembley Arena in London. St Richard Gwyn School in Flint have kindly offered to coordinate the bookings The booking deadline is the 14<sup>th</sup> February. Tickets are £24 per person including ticket and transport. The Congress is open to any young person from age 14 through to university age.



**MARITIME MUSEUM Holyhead- the Gateway to Irish Independence** - A talk will be held on Fri 24th February at 7pm in St Mary's Hall. Exactly 100 years ago, the Irish Free State came into being after many years of disagreement and fighting. Most of the stories from that time concentrate on events in Ireland itself but what people don't know is that Holyhead played an important role on this road to Irish independence. This lecture will cast fresh light on the events of 1912-1923 with Prof. Catherine Duigan (Aberystwyth University) and Dr. Gareth Huws explaining what was happening in Ireland and showing why Holyhead was so important. Tickets are £5 and can be purchased at the door. Tea & coffee will be available.

**SEQUENCE DANCING. BACK BY REQUEST!** **Every Thursday afternoon** in the Hall beneath our Church in Amlwch - from 2pm till 4pm. Tea and cake. £3.00 entry - no need to be able to dance. A great way to exercise and make new friends.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - BEAUMARIS** will be on Friday 3rd March at 2.30pm in Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church. It will be a bilingual ecumenical event. All are welcome.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - HOLYHEAD** - Will be on Monday 6th March at 2pm in St David's Morawelon.

**COST OF LIVING ADVICE DROP IN SESSION** between 10-12 in Holyhead Town Hall on Friday 10th February British Gas, CAB, Medrwn Mon etc will be there to offer advice and support and Energy saving tips.

**World Day of the Sick: Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes:11th February.** "Illness is part of our human condition. Yet, if illness is experienced in isolation and abandonment, unaccompanied by care and compassion, it can become inhumane. When we go on a journey with others, it is not unusual for someone to feel sick, to have to stop because of fatigue or of some mishap along the way. It is precisely in such moments that we see how we are walking together: whether we are truly companions on the journey, or merely individuals on the same path, looking after our own interests and leaving others to "make do". For this reason, on the thirty-first World Day of the Sick, as the whole Church journeys along the synodal path, I invite all of us to reflect on the fact that it is especially through the experience of vulnerability and illness that we can learn to walk together according to the style of God, which is closeness, compassion, and tenderness."

(Taken from Pope Francis's Message for World Day of the Sick)