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DIOCESE OF MENEVIA – **ESGOBAETH MYNYW**  
**CATHOLIC PARISH OF ABERYSTWYTH**  
**(FORMERLY OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS & ST. WINEFRIDE)**  
**PLWYF CATHOLIG ABERYSTWYTH**  
**(GYNT MAIR YR ANGLION A SANTES GWENFREWI)**  
 & HOLY CROSS CHURCH, ABERAERON SA46 ODA

CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY TO BRONGLAIS HOSPITAL & ABERYSTWYTH UNIVERSITY

**MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup> 2017: 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

**MASS TIMES, PLACE & INTENTIONS**

All Weekend Masses in Aberystwyth will take place in

**ST. PADARN'S SCHOOL HALL - SY23 1EZ**

*Bydd Pob Offeren Penwythnos yn Aberystwyth yn:*

**Neuadd Ysgol Padarn Sant – SY23 1EZ**

All Weekday Masses in Aberystwyth will take place in

**CHURCH HALL - SY23 2HS**

*Bydd Pob Offeren yn ystod yr wythnos yn Aberystwyth yn:*

**Neuadd Eglwys – SY23 2HS**

<b>11.03.17: SAT ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>06.00PM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS: 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <i>Int: ELAINE MAYBURY-RIP-BIRTHDAY</i>
<b>12.03.17: SUN ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>08.30AM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS : 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <i>Int: PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH</i>
<b>12.03.17: SUN ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>10.00AM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS: 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <i>Int: NORMA SHADBOLT-RIP</i>
<b>12.03.17: SUN ABERAERON</b>	<b>12.30PM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS: 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <i>Int: JIM O'SHEA-RIP &amp; AILEEN O'SHEA INTS</i>
<b>15.03.17: WED ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>06.00PM</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS &amp; HOLY MASS</b> <i>Int: JOE CLANCY-RIP</i>
<b>16.03.17: THU ABERAERON</b>	<b>10.00AM</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS &amp; HOLY MASS</b> <i>Int: JOYCE TURNER-RIP</i>
<b>17.03.17: FRI ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>06.00PM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS: SCHOOL HALL:</b> <b>ST PATRICK, PATRON OF IRELAND</b> <i>Int: JOSEPH &amp; PAULINE SHERIDAN-RIP</i>
<b>18.03.17: SAT ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>06.00PM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS : 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <i>Int: ELIZABETH &amp; ALBERT DALY &amp; FAMILY</i>
<b>19.03.17: SUN ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>08.30AM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS: 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <i>Int: PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH</i>
<b>19.03.17: SUN ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>10.00AM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS: 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <i>Int: RT. REV. THOMAS MATTHEW- INTENTIONS</i>
<b>19.03.17: SUN ABERAERON</b>	<b>12.30PM</b>	<b>HOLY MASS: 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <i>Int: BRIAN JURD-RIP</i>
<b>19.03.17: SUN ABERYSTWYTH</b>	<b>10.00AM</b>	<b>SYRO MALABAR HOLY MASS: CHURCH HALL</b> <b>REV. JIMMY SEBASTIAN, BRECON</b>

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:**

**GWEDDI DROS Y CLEIFION:**

Gloria Carter, John McKay,  
 Sr. Eileen, Jess Macken,  
 Nicholas More, Nancy Davies,  
 Lyn Morris, Nora James,  
 Sr. Clare O'Loughlin,  
 Cath Powell, Grace Pugh,  
 Zena Swordy, Jonathan  
 Gaines, William Ellison,  
 Rev. Fr. Ross Patterson,  
 Rev. Fr. Michael Fewell...  
**They need our prayers..!**

**CONFESSIONS: CYFFES**

**ABERYSTWYTH:**

**SATURDAYS**

**5.15 - 5.45PM &**

**SUNDAYS**

**7.45 - 8.15AM**

**ABERAERON: SUNDAYS**

**11.45AM – 12.15PM**

*In Fr Paul Joseph's absence, if you, or a member of your family, are in urgent need of a priest, please contact: **Anne Kidner: 01970828459** or **Anne Price: 01570470981**. They are authorised to contact the emergency supply priests. **Yn absenoldeb y Tad Paul Joseph, os os ydych chi neu aelod o'ch teulu mewn gwir angen offeiriad, cysylltwch ag: **Anne Kidner: 01970828459** neu: **Anne Price: 01570470981**. Mae ganddyn nhw awdurdod i gysylltu â'r offeiriad cyflenwi.***

**The Cycle of Prayer: DURING THE SEASON OF LENT... LET US PRAY FOR...  
 CANDIDATES FOR SACRAMENTS... ESPECIALLY FOR OUR PARISH CANDIDATES...  
 WOMEN... THE NEEDY & HUNGRY OF THE WORLD... PENITENTS & WANDERERS ...**

**PARISH YOUTH GROUP & CONFIRMATION CLASS: Next Meetings:  
 March 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 11am – 12.30pm After 10am Mass**

**DEANERY RECOLLECTION & PRAYER DAY:** Our Deanery Lenten Recollection is in Belmont Abbey on **14<sup>th</sup> March**. Kindly avail the opportunity to be with the Lord in prayer. **ALL ARE MOST WELCOME..!**

**BAPTISM & RECEPTION AT EASTER:** Our Parish is blessed with three candidates **JULIANA, PATRICIA & DAVID PAUL** who will enter into the Catholic Faith during Easter Vigil Liturgy. Kindly keep them in your prayers and remember those who are interested to join **RCIA** that the Holy Spirit's guidance will help their decision. **THANK YOU..!**

**HOLY SEASON OF LENT:** Church follows an annual liturgical calendar to relive the major events in Jesus' life. It places a great emphasis on Lent. Lent is a forty day period before Easter, set aside as a season of soul-searching and repentance. The forty days reflect Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for his own time of spiritual reflection. Sundays, because they commemorate the Resurrection, are not counted.

**LENTEN BOWL:**  
**GIVING UP SOMETHING FOR CHRIST**

Traditionally during Lent there were no weddings, no dancing, no singing. No flowers or alleluias in churches. Families find spiritual value in giving up something for Lent, the proceeds of which is offered to the needy and the poor.

**MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2017...** Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ's victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God "with all their hearts" (Joel 2:12), to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord. Jesus is the faithful friend who never abandons us. Even when we sin, he patiently awaits our return; by that patient expectation, he shows us his readiness to forgive.

Lent is a favourable season for deepening our spiritual life through the means of sanctification offered us by the Church: fasting, prayer and almsgiving. At the basis of everything is the word of God, which during this season we are invited to hear and ponder more deeply.

I would now like to consider the parable of the rich man and Lazarus (cf. Lk 16:19-31). Let us find inspiration in this meaningful story, for it provides a key to understanding what we need to do in order to attain true happiness and eternal life. It exhorts us to sincere conversion. The parable begins by presenting its two main characters. The poor man is described in greater detail: he is wretched and lacks the strength even to stand. Lying before the door of the rich man, he fed on the crumbs falling from his table. His body is full of sores and dogs come to lick his wounds. The picture is one of great misery; it portrays a man disgraced and pitiful.

The scene is even more dramatic if we consider that the poor man is called Lazarus: a name full of promise, which literally means God helps. This character is not anonymous. His features are clearly delineated and he appears as an individual with his own story. While practically invisible to the rich man, we see and know him as someone familiar. He becomes a face, and as such, a gift, a priceless treasure, a human being whom God loves and cares for, despite his concrete condition as an outcast. Lazarus teaches us that other persons are a gift. A right relationship with people consists in gratefully recognizing their value. Even the poor person at the door of the rich is not a nuisance, but a summons to conversion and to change. The parable first invites us to open the doors of our heart to others because each person is a gift, whether it be our neighbor or an anonymous pauper.

Lent is a favourable season for opening the doors to all those in need and recognizing in them the face of Christ. Each of us meets people like this every day. Each life that we encounter is a gift deserving acceptance, respect and love. The Word of God helps us to open our eyes to welcome and love life, especially when it is weak and vulnerable.

**COUNTERS**

**12.03.17: DAVE SHERRATT & PETER STOCKS**  
**19.03.17: JOHN GLASBY & MARGARET TRETHERWEY**

**SVP Harp Concert:** A concert with international stars of the harp world,

**Robin Huw Bowen and Harriet Earis,**  
and vocal trio,

**Alaw Jones, Glain Lewis, and Tegan Roberts**  
on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7:00pm in Morlan.**

All proceeds will go towards the work of the SVP in the parish.

**Tickets: £10 (concessions £8) can be purchased from members of the SVP.**

**COUNTERS NEEDED – CAN YOU HELP?** We need more people to count collections. This would take up just a little of your time every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday or so. If you are able to help out, please contact Fr Paul or Peter Stocks. **THANK YOU..!**

**SVP: SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL...** The **Jubilee Storehouse Food Bank** box for donated goods is located at the back of the school hall. To find out what is needed at any given time, please visit their Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/JubileeStorehouse/?fref=ts>

**NODYN O'R SVP:** *Mae blwch ar gyfer Banc Bwyd Stofa'r Jiwbilli ar ael vna nahefn Neuadd vr Ysool. I*

**FOR QUIET PRAYER...**

**ABERYSTWYTH:** Rosary: 11am Thursdays.

The Church Hall will be open 6 - 7pm  
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday.

**ABERAERON** Rosary & Prayer Meeting 10.30am Tuesday.

**Remembering Our Dead...** *Maria Carpanini (1992), Myra Hinton-Jones (1995), Roseann Jones (2005), John Hampson (1971), Judith Pottinger (2014), Fr Michael Kiely, O.Carm (1979), Marga Pacult (1993), Jan Norsesovitch (1996), Lilian Grigg (1976), John McKeever (2010), Nikolay Folwarski (1995).*

***May they rest in Peace..!***

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS: CASGLIAD Y SUL**

**05.03.17: Aberystwyth: £560.36**

**05.03.17: Aberaeron: £98.95**

**Many thanks for your generosity...**

***Llawer o ddiolch am eich haelioni.***



**St Patricks Day Mass**

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 6:00pm**

**St Padarn's School Hall**

**Followed by a Quiz**

Traditional Irish refreshments  
will be available on the night.

**Everybody welcome.**

