

Holy Cross Community Swansea

'A family for all cultures to nurture disciples of all ages'
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2nd December 2018 First Sunday Advent Reading cycles: Sundays C Psalter Week 1 Please take this News Letter Home

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 6.00 pm First Mass of Sunday

Intention: Holy Souls

Sunday 9.30 am First Sunday Advent

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Monday 9.30 am First week of Advent

Intention: Annwyl Evans RIP

Tuesday First week of Advent NO MASS

Wednesday 10.30 am Funeral Mass Tony Hughes

Intention:

Thursday 9.30 am First week of Advent

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Friday 9.30 am Memorial St Ambrose

Intention:

Saturday 12.00 noon First week of Advent

Intention: Robert Irwin RIP

Saturday 6.00 pm First Mass of Sunday

Intention: Dec'd members Veliyath Family

Sunday 9th December Second Sunday Advent

Intention:

Confessions: Saturdays 11.15 to 12 noon

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & morning / evening prayers 30

Recently Died

Tony Hughes

Anniversaries

Jackie Halloran Mark Kervin

Gillian Taylor

Peter Okello

Beatrice Cole

Maureen Davies

Charles Okello

Joyce Melville

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Heavenly Father,

look with mercy on the sick of our parish community and help them in this time of sickness.

Restore them to health, we pray, Through Christ our Lord. Amen

Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person,
More considerate towards others,
More honest with myself, more faithful to you.
Make me generous enough to want sincerely
to do your will whatever it may be.
Help me find my true vocation in life and grant
that through it I may find happiness in myself
and bring happiness to others. Grant, Lord, that
those whom you call to enter the priesthood,
diaconate, or religious life, may have the
generosity to answer your call, so that those
who need your help may find it. We ask this
through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

What are the key first steps to enter into Advent? We can all slow down. We can all breathe more deeply. We can all begin to trust that this will be a blessed time. Then, when we let ourselves be who we are, and hear the Scriptures, we can begin to quietly pray, "Come, Lord, Jesus." We might expand that prayer, in quiet moments of our days ahead, "Come into my life. I trust you don't mind if it is still messy. I believe you love me, because I need your love. I don't fear you can't find the way to my heart. Come and fill me with peace and the love only you can give

"Come, Lord, Jesus, come into this house, into my family, into our struggles. Come and heal us, and give us joy again. Come and unite us and let us experience, each in our own way, a bit of the joy you are offering me now."

Last week's Collection £492 200 Club Winner 114 Comboni Mission Appeal £600 Growing in Faith Group Mondays 7.30 pm All are welcome.

Legion of Mary Prayer Group Mondays after Mass

First Communion Classes Mondays at 5.30 pm

Charity Shop Visit the Charity Shop and enjoy a chat and a cup of tea. Open Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10.30 am—3pm Everybody Welcome

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Be vigilant at all times.

Jesus,

You came into our world with all its sorrows.

Keep us watchful to find your presence
now in the midst of our struggles.

Tell us again that your love
will triumph.

Alert our hearts.

Make us aware of all the places in our world where you are, and come, Lord Jesus, to all the spots in our lives where you are not yet.





Ministers of the Word & Eucharistic Ministers Weekend 8th / 9th December

Saturday

First Karen Mc
Second Patricia
Bidding Prayers Sue

Eucharistic Ministers Lorraine Pam

Sunday

First Wilson
Second Josie
Bidding Prayers Maria de B
Eucharistic Ministers Pilar Larry Jean

Church Cleaning

8th December No clean

15th December Shalini/Roy Anci

IMPORTANT

Ministers—if you cannot attend or need to change your rota, please let us know. For Sundays contact Donna (460411 Mobile 07745947773) and for Saturdays contact Pam Phillips (07816980698)

HCPT Fundraising Event

Mince pie and wine evening St Benedict's Church, Sketty Friday 7th December Tickets £5 (includes glass of wine and mince pie.

More available to buy)
Singing by St Joseph's Cathedral Choir
Tickets available from Helen Collins—or pay
at the door.

Senior Parishioners Invitation to Bishop Vaughan's Christmas Celebration

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Tuesday 18th December.

Mass followed by Christmas Lunch and entertainment.

Transport will be provided with the school's mini bus so numbers are limited to 15. Please sign up on the pick up sheet in the porch.

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SVP Christmas Party for Seniors at Holy Cross

Saturday 8th December at 2.30 pm Please give your name on the list in the porch.

Our parish Christmas Carol Service Sunday 16th December at 6.00pm

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION:

T HEME: Take Courage, Arise! He is

Calling For You (Mark 10:49)

Venue: Our Lady of Lourdes, Townhill,

Swansea. SA1 6LA

Date & Time: Saturday, 8th December,

10am - 2.30pm.

(Advent Talks, Adoration, Confession,