

ALL SAINTS (SOLEMNITY)  
 Reading Cycle A  
 Psalter Week 3  
 Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER 2020  
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**MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED PRIVATELY THIS WEEK**

SATURDAY	31 <sup>st</sup> OCT	<b>FEAST OF ALL SAINTS</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
SUNDAY	1 <sup>st</sup> NOV			
MONDAY	2 <sup>nd</sup> NOV	<b>FEAST OF ALL SOULS</b>	<b>Holy Souls November Dead list</b>	
TUESDAY	3 <sup>rd</sup> NOV	<b>ST MARTIN DE PORRES</b>		
WEDNESDAY	4 <sup>th</sup> NOV	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>November Dead List</b>	
THURSDAY	5 <sup>th</sup> NOV	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>		
FRIDAY	6 <sup>th</sup> NOV	<b>ST ILLTYD (Feast)</b>		
SATURDAY	7 <sup>th</sup> NOV	<b>32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>Dead of WW1 and WWII and the Polish Dead of WWII</b>	
SUNDAY	8 <sup>th</sup> NOV			

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:**

We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the love of the Lord be with them and all who are in self isolation during the coming week. To all our parishioners who are indisposed we pray that they may receive every grace and blessing.

Let us remember, Fr Ambrose Walsh, Fr Mike Ronan and Canon William Isaacs in our prayers.

We pray especially for the Repose of the soul of Maddalena Mascio who has died recently. May she rest in Eternal Peace + We also pray for Ted Wilson, Phyllis Harris, Dominic Cardinale, Mary O'Sullivan, Martha Deans, John Driscoll, Kevin Counsell, Thomas Murphy, Paul Sexton, Frederick Psaila, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Let us not forget to pray for all those who have died and for their families particularly those who have no-one to remember them.

**CANDLES** You will have an opportunity to buy a 7 day candle which will be left either at the Sacred Heart and Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. The charge will be £5. **This week's candles will be lit for the Williams and Fleming Families**

**PRAYERS:** It is our duty to pray for each other, for those who are sick and those who care for them. But I also ask your prayers for the Chaplains who sit with those who will die, then with the families and then to stand at the graveside bringing the Peace of Jesus, to these broken families. I remember my good friend at Llandough, Peter Davies RC Chaplain, and Dave Pritchard at the Heath.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2021:** The new diary for 2021 is now open. Please put your request and donation in an envelope and post it through the Presbytery Door. Please mark the outside of the envelope to show that it is a Mass request.

**NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE** : Unfortunately because of the 'lockdown' restrictions you will have to use your own envelopes. Please put your envelopes through the Presbytery Door clearly marked 'November Remembrance' and they will be put in the basket for you.

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:** The National Office of the SVP is seeking to appoint a Membership Support Officer to work in the Cardiff Archdiocese. The post would be for 15 hours per week with a salary of £23,000 FTE (pro rata, 15 hours per week). For a copy of the full job advert and a complete job description, please contact the Secretary of Cardiff Central Council, Christine German, on 07724 706065, or for an informal discussion, Mark Warwick, the National Membership Development Manager on 07774 255251. The closing date for applications to be sent to National Office is 5pm on 6 November.

**ON-LINE GIVING:** Many Parishes give people the opportunity to donate to their Parish via an on-line link. This has been set up and all monies go directly into the St Patrick's bank account. It is fully secure and you can do it using PayPal if you wish. There is no obligation for you to use this feature but the facility is there if you want it. Just click on the On-line Giving logo on the Home Page on our website and follow the instructions.

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL?** Please let your parish priest know as he will be pleased to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick and/or any pastoral support you need, as the team of priests who currently provide 24/7 cover are under a great deal of pressure and therefore no guarantee that a priest will always be available at any particular time. If you know any Catholic already in Hospital who needs a visit or sacramental support please leave details with the Cardiff & Vale Hospital Chaplaincy 029 20743230

**CARITAS BULLETIN:** This is available on the website for you to read.

**CONTACT:** As I said before, you have my telephone number but I don't have yours. So if you want a chat or are in need of help please phone me and leave a message so I can get back to you.

**WHAT'S NEW ON THE WEBSITE:** The readings for the day will hopefully be posted each day as well as other items of interest. There are links on the website which may help you with your devotion. The new 'Firebreak' regulations link is also on the website.

**SAFEGUARDING:** Please click on the link for Helplines and Information on the website homepage.

**ON-LINE MASS:** There are many sites which stream Catholic Masses. Links are on the Website Eg.

<http://www.catholictv.org/masses/catholictv-mass> Daily Mass ( On Demand)

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-mary-of-the-angels> Daily Mass

**The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended.**

### **MESSAGE FROM CANON MIKE**

If you are reading this you have survived another week of 'lockdown'. Only one more week to endure. Alleluia !  
I said last week that we have a duty to pray and act on behalf of those who are in need. So let us not forget in our prayers those who have caught the Coronavirus, those who are afraid and frightened, those who are suffering with loneliness and isolation, and never forgetting the carers and medical staff.

I've always said that November is a very Catholic month. A time we remember and pray for those " Whose life is changed not ended" . We believe they have gone before us and one day we will be re-united in the Great Banquet of Heaven.

Many people have asked me " *What is it like to die?*" " *What and where is Heaven?*" " *Will we meet Our Lord once again?*"

Questions I can't answer as I've not died! You may ask 1) Do you believe this ? 2) Why do you believe it ?  
I suppose the simple answer is Faith and Trust. Faith and Trust in the words of Jesus

***" I am the Resurrection and the Life. Anyone who believes in Me will have eternal life.  
For today you will be with Me in Paradise."***

This weekend , Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November, is the Feast of All Saints, followed on 2<sup>nd</sup> November by the Feast of All Souls.  
I know you can't be in Church for these Feasts, but you can unite yourselves with the Holy Souls in silent prayer.

When I visit the family graves in Neath, I have this urge to physically hold my parents and other family members and friends, but though I can't I feel I'm at one with them and they with me.

I "walk in the presence of the family of the Lord in the Land of the Living", not in the Land of the Dead, the land of no hope, but the Land of the Living on the other side of the Promised Land



**" Guide me O thou Great Redeemer  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but thou art mighty,  
Hold me with your powerful hand.**

**When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Land me safe on Canaan's side."**

At most funerals, my Father gets a mention, so I'll mention him again today. When I officiated at his Funeral Mass, as he was a bus conductor, I said "Dad was on an early bus, but I'll be on a later one. The problem being I don't know the timetable."

You and I know that one day that bus will arrive. For those who have no Faith it's a Mystery Tour, but for us, it's a journey to the Land of Canaan -- the Promised Land.

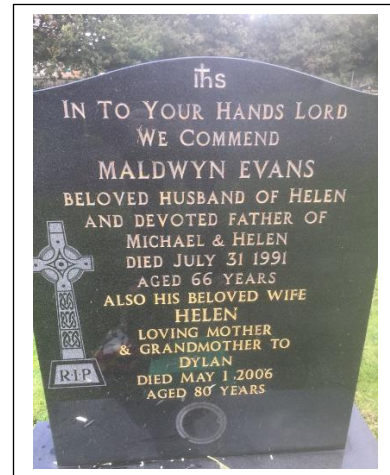
I'll let you into a secret: that as a land owner, of a plot of land in Neath Cemetery, my place of rest, is my waiting room, awaiting the return of the Risen Lord at the last day.

My Mother and Father are there and I've decided to put only two words on the grave stone .....

"And Michael"

PS. Maybe a little red bus on the bottom.

Rest in Peace everyone,  
Pray for us as we'll pray for you

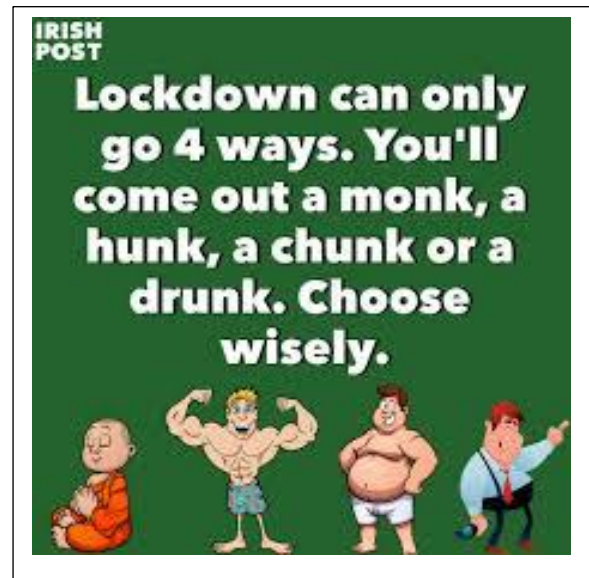


### LIFE'S LIKE THAT!

#### Problem:

You are on a horse, galloping at a constant speed. On your right side there is a sharp drop-off, and on your left side is an elephant travelling at the same speed as you. Directly in front of you is a galloping zebra and your horse is unable to overtake it. Behind you is a lion running at the same speed as you and the zebra. What must you do to get out of this dangerous situation?

Answer: Get off the merry-go-round!



#### Buses

A legless man is waiting at the bus stop. The driver pulls up and shouts "How you getting on, Fred?"

He took the bus home after work, but his mother made him take it back.

A married couple trying to live up to a snobbish lifestyle went to a party. The conversation turned to Mozart. "Absolutely brilliant, magnificent, a genius." The woman, wanting to join in the conversation, remarked casually "Ah, Mozart. You're so right. I love him. Only this morning I saw him getting on the No 5 bus going to Oxford Street."

There was a sudden hush, and everyone looked at her. Her husband was mortified. He pulled her away and whispered "We're leaving, right now. Get your coat and let's get out of here". As they drove home, he kept muttering to himself. Finally his wife turned to him "You're angry about something." "Oh, really? You noticed?" he sneered. "I've never been so embarrassed in my life. You saw Mozart take the No 5 bus to Oxford Street? You idiot! Don't you know the No 5 doesn't go to Oxford Street?"