

Recently died

Please pray for the eternal repose of the following:

Mrs Brenda McDevitt R.I.P. - The Funeral Service will be celebrated at Holy Family on Monday 1st February at 12.30pm.

Mrs Jean Hayman R.I.P. - The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St Mary's on Wednesday 3rd February at 12pm.

Mr Paul Powell R.I.P. - The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St Mary's on Thursday 4th February at 12pm.

Mrs Maria Kirk R.I.P. - The Funeral Service will be celebrated at St Mary's on Monday 8th February at 9.45am.

Mrs Rowena Wood R.I.P. - The Funeral Service will be celebrated at Thornhill Crematorium on Friday 12th February at 10.15am.

Mr Spiro Galea R.I.P. - The Funeral Service will be celebrated at the graveside in Western Cemetery on Friday 12th February at 11.30am.

Mr Terence Lord R.I.P. - The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St Mary's on Friday 19th February at 11.30am.

Mrs Monica Jermyn R.I.P. and **Mr David Watkins R.I.P.** - Funeral arrangements to be finalised.



**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.**

Pray for the Sick

Holy Family: David Rogers, Catherine Driscoll, Kay & Paul Parris, Sheila Ferriter, Bernard Perry, Collette Griffin, Vivian Miller, Valentine, Brian Webster, Henry Fernandez, Hanna Marengi, Mary Bodman, Susanna, Martin, Gary Sutton, Chris Collins, Louise Macpherson.

St Mary's: Fr Christopher Delaney, Bethan Williams, Jean Allen, Madison Lane, John & Marian Lamb, Jean Hayman, Nadasiri Ifada, Cecily Hughes, James Church, Anthony Jackson, Margaret Griffiths, Tom Hopkins, Joanne Coakley, Helen Ward, Doreen Utley, Carina Foster, Ben Foster, Maria Sullivan, Thomas Hyde (now living in Canada), Ivan Sadka, Mary D'Alpa, John Barry, Peter and Isabelle Nash.

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Account name: Archdiocese of Cardiff

Sort code: 20-18-23 (for both)

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WHITE FLOWER APPEAL 2021

This year's White Flower Appeal in support of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children is arranged for the Masses on Sunday 14th February in both parishes. For more information please consult www.spuc.org.uk



Holy Family & St Mary of the Angels

Keyston Rd, Fairwater CF5 3NP

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31st January-7th February 2021 Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time Cycle B

Holy Family Masses

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time (31st January)

6pm Vigil Mass Monica Jermyn
11.00 Dianne Brain

Monday (1st February)

12.30pm Funeral Service for Mrs Brenda McDevitt

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time (7th February)

6pm Vigil Mass Kitty Heald
11.00 Michael McMahon

St Mary's Masses

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time (31st January)

10am Richard Watson
12pm Esther & Timothy Matley
6pm People of the Parish

Monday: (1st February)

9.30am William 'Billy' Brown
12.15pm S Sueref

Tuesday: Feast: Presentation of the Lord (2nd Feb.)

9.30am Maisie Molloy
12.15pm Adoration & Benediction
7-8pm

Wednesday: Memoria: St Blaise (3rd February)

9.30am Coulson Family Intentions
12.00pm Funeral Mass for Mrs Jean Hayman

Thursday: (4th February)

9.30am Gareth Jones RIP
12.00pm Funeral Mass for Mr Paul Powell
7-8pm Adoration & Benediction

Friday: Memoria: St Agatha (5th February)

9.30am Michael & Olive Lynch
12.15pm

Saturday: Memoria: St Paul Miki & Companions (6th February)

12.15pm

Sunday: 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time (7th Feb.)

10am Dora Karamouzis
12pm People of the Parish
6pm Paul Mantle

Angelus and Prayer During the Day live-streamed at 12pm daily.

Evening Prayer live-streamed at 7pm daily except Sundays.

Tuesday & Thursday 7-8pm Adoration & Benediction (including Evening Prayer).

NO CONFESSIONS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Readings for the 4th Sunday of the Year

Deuteronomy 18:15-20.

The Book of Deuteronomy is the last book of the Pentateuch, the 'five' books of the Law supposedly written by Moses. In reality, Moses was not the author of any of these books. Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy were all written many hundreds of years after the era of Moses. All are compound works, collations of source materials brought together by various editors across the centuries. Scriptural exegesis can identify the strands of differing literary styles and spiritual traditions that are woven together into the texts that we identify. Today's extract provides Israel with the assurance that a prophet would arise from within their own assembly who would undertake the role of intercessor in succession to Moses. Moses died at the point when God's People were about to cross the River Jordan from the east so as to enter the Promised Land. Joshua was appointed as the immediate successor to Moses as a military, political and spiritual leader. Joshua became the first in a sequence of 'Judges' who were entrusted with the responsibilities of leadership. What we hear of today is a promise regarding a figure whose role would be superior to anything undertaken by any Judge or King. One would arise who would be worthy to hear the voice of the Lord God, one who would be worthy to speak in the name of the Lord God. As we listen to today's Gospel reading from Mark, we will recognise how Jesus draws together all the ancient strands of promise and expectation in his own person.

Psalm 94.

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

I Corinthians 7:32-35.

Unless we contextualise today's extract from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, we could easily misinterpret the intent of his declaration. In this part of his letter, Paul is writing from the perspective of an expectation that the world was soon coming to its end. Paul is encouraging all the followers of Christ to resist becoming engrossed in the ways and matters of the world. Within this context, it is easy to recognise that celibacy holds certain advantages over the married state. Within the generality of our contemporary environment, neither celibacy nor marriage are fully understood or valued. Whether we are speaking of celibacy or marriage, the key principle is that give our undivided attention to the Lord. Each and every worthy human vocation must begin and end with a focus on the Lord. It is our relationship with the Lord that must form, direct and sustain each and every human vocation. All must seek the ultimate freedom, that is, freedom from the selfishness of sin.

Mark 1:21-28.

We hear of the Lord's first appearance at Capernaum, a significant location in his public ministry. A miracle is performed within the synagogue on the sabbath day when an evil spirit is expelled from a man. The danger of performing a miracle is that it creates a sense of wonderment amongst the on-lookers that seems to blind them to the true purpose of what has been done and why. Jesus is not merely a performer of wonders. Each miracle addresses the needs of an individual or group, but its greater purpose is to witness to the fact that the Kingdom of God is made manifest in the person and ministry of Jesus. The evil spirit that is exorcised knows exactly who Jesus is: "I know who you are, the Holy One of God." The evil spirit also knows what he has come to do: "Have you come to destroy us?" Here, at the very beginning of the Public Ministry according to Mark's account, Jesus manifests his authority. The crowd declares that "here is a teaching that is new and with authority behind it." In Mark's Gospel, Jesus gradually and very carefully builds the momentum of the revelation that he is the one who will gather all the ancient strands of promise and expectation in his own person. It will become clear that his identity and purpose exceeds all expectations.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK



Tuesday 2nd February – Feast: The Presentation of the Lord

Forty days after the Nativity of the Lord we celebrate the Presentation of the Infant Jesus in the Temple. This feast was once termed the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The feast is also referred to as Candlemas. Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to present him to the Lord as the Law of Moses prescribed. Forty days after the birth of a child, a Mother was obliged to offer a sacrifice of purification. This ritual constituted a recollection of the event which initiated Israel's liberation from slavery in Egypt. On the night when the great Exodus commenced, the children of Israel were spared extermination when the Avenging Angel passed over the homes where the lintel had been anointed with the blood of the 'Passover Lamb'. It had been revealed to Simeon, a devout and upright man, that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. When Simeon beheld the Mary's child, he took Jesus into his arms and offered his Song of Thanksgiving (the 'Nunc Dimittis' which the Church offers at the end of each day during the Office of Night Prayer - Compline).

Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.

Candles are blessed on this feast in proclamation of Jesus Christ as the Light of the World.

Wednesday 3rd February – Memoria: St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

St Blaise would become Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia at the transition from the third to the fourth centuries. He was both a philosopher and a physician. During the persecution perpetrated by the Emperor Licinius, Blaise was arrested by the Roman Prefect Agricolaus. On his way to prison, Blaise was approached by a distracted mother whose child was suffering from a disease of the throat. She implored the bishop's aid and intercession. Through the intercession of St Blaise, the child was cured. The great tradition is to use two crossed candles that have been blessed on the Feast of the Presentation to bless the throats of the faithful.

Through the intercession of St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat, and from every other illness. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. After much torture, Blaise was beheaded in the year 316 A.D.



Friday 5th February – Memoria: St Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

Agatha was born into a noble Roman family in Sicily during the third century. Her martyrdom and early cult are historically certain but the later descriptive details of her life and death are legend. A sixth century source claims that Agatha was arrested and tortured by order of the Roman Senator Quintanius who had attempted to seduce her. Quintanius invoked imperial edicts against Christianity in order to punish her failure to cooperate with his desires. Agatha persisted in her refusal of the Senator's advances. He placed her in a brothel where she was abused and subjected to dreadful tortures. It is said that an earthquake struck the town of Catania where she had been imprisoned and where she was subject to such great torment. Agatha died of her severe wounds in the year 251 A.D., one of the many victims of the persecution perpetrated by the Emperor Decian. Her name is placed within the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I) and she is honoured as Patron of Nurses.

Saturday 6th February – Memoria: St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

St Francis Xavier landed in Japan in 1549 to begin the evangelisation of Japan. When he left a few years later there were perhaps some 2,000 Christians in the country. It was in 1597 that St Paul Miki and twenty-five others were martyred for the faith that had been implanted by Francis Xavier. The martyrdom took place near to the city of Nagasaki. Towards the end of the sixteenth century, the Japanese ruler Hideyoshi became incensed by the dramatic increase in the number of Christians. The persecution that led to the martyrdoms was triggered by the bigoted statements offered by a Spanish merchant navy captain who declared that the Christian missionaries were paving the way for a Spanish and Portuguese invasion and conquest.



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ACTS OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

A Prayer by St Alphonsus Liguori.

My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

A Prayer by St Thomas More.

Give me, good Lord, a longing to be with You ... give me warmth, delight and quickness in thinking upon You. And give me Your grace to long for Your holy sacraments, and specially to rejoice in the presence of Your blessed Body, Sweet Saviour Christ, in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

PRAYER OF SORROW / ACT OF CONTRITION

Wash me from my guilt and cleanse me of my sin. I acknowledge my offence; my sin is before me always. Psalm 50:4-5.

Father, I have sinned against you and am not worthy to be called your son. Be merciful to me, a sinner. Luke 15:18; 18:13.

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.

O my God, because you are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against you, and with the help of your grace I will not sin again.

LET US DAILY OPEN OUR HEARTS IN CONTRITION TO ALMIGHTY GOD AND REMIND OURSELVES HOW ESSENTIAL IT IS TO GRANT MERCY IF WE EVER EXPECT TO RECEIVE MERCY.

PRAYER FOR WALES

O Almighty God, who in your infinite goodness have sent your only-begotten Son into this world to open once more the gates of heaven, and to teach us how to know, love and serve you, have mercy on your people who dwell in Wales. Grant to them the precious gift of faith, and unite them in the one true Church founded by your divine Son: that, acknowledging her authority and obeying her voice, they may serve you, love you, and worship you as you desire in this world, and obtain for themselves everlasting happiness in the world to come. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Help of Christians, pray for Wales.

Saint David, pray for Wales.

Saint Winefride, pray for Wales.

AN IMMEDIATE NEED FOR MORE STEWARDS

I am immensely grateful to Amy Hewett, who has been coordinating the rota for stewards at St Mary of the Angels over these past months. She will have to step back from this responsibility as her NHS commitments are about to expand as she assists in the vaccination programme. John Cho, another of our stewards, is about to take up full time employment that will involve weekend work and so he too will have to withdraw from stewarding commitments. This means that we have a desperate need for more volunteers to step forward to assist with stewarding, otherwise we will not be able to sustain our timetable of Sunday Masses. If you are in a position to assist, then please contact me as soon as possible. The training can be undertaken on site or online and is quite straightforward. Can I finish by once more expressing my gratitude to Amy for her dedication to the task of coordination which has been critical to sustaining our ability to remain open.

We also require more volunteers for stewarding at Holy Family. The cohort of stewards at both parishes have shown immense dedication, week in, week out. If you are in a position to assist then please contact me as soon as possible.

The parish telephone number is 029 2023 0492. My email is Peter.collins@rcadc.org. Fr Nicholas' email is Nicholas.williams@rcadc.org.

MAINTAINING OUR VIGILANCE AS WE STRIVE TO REMAIN OPEN AND ABLE TO CELEBRATE PUBLIC MASSES

The conditions of our current 'Lock-Down' have allowed for the continuance of our public masses. Our ability to thus celebrate is facilitated by the continuing generosity of our cohort of Stewards at St Mary's and at Holy Family. I once again express my gratitude for their substantive service. In order to minimise the risk to one and all, our adherence to guidelines has proven to be outstanding. As I mentioned some weeks ago, the various Funeral Directors who have visited our two parishes over the past months have been eager to express their appreciation for the quality of our operating protocols. They have repeatedly said that our systems are the best they have seen in any church across the denominations. Particular thanks for this achievement should go to Fr Nicholas. We must continue to exercise the greatest vigilance over the coming weeks as we confront the threat of increased transmission resulting from the spread of the new strain of the COVID-19 coronavirus. Needless to say, we will respond rapidly and appropriately to any change in circumstances.

Celebrating First Holy Communion

Our recent closure has disrupted an already delayed sequence of celebrations. However, last Sunday at St Mary of the Angels we were able to celebrate the First Holy Communion of five of our candidates: Sophie, Elyssa-May and Olivia at the 10.00.am Mass and Martyna and Maya at the 12.00.pm Mass. Our congratulations to them all.

It is hoped that Finn and Ryan will celebrate at the 10.00.am Mass and Valery and Olivia will celebrate at the 12.00.pm Mass at St Mary's this week.

It is hoped that Ruby-Mae and Payton will celebrate at the 11.00.am Mass at Holy Family this week.

The entire cohort of candidates has experienced the greatest possible disruption and uncertainty in their preparation for the sacraments. I ask you all to keep them at the heart of your prayers over the coming weeks.

A Statement from the Catholic Education Service



The Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Bill currently before the Senedd will effectively remove the rights of parents as the first educators of their children. It will threaten the nature and purpose of Catholic schools as well as being an affront to devout Jews, Christians, Hindus, Sikhs and Muslims in Wales.

In the provisions concerning Human and Sex Education, the responsibility and privilege of parents to choose the right moment and language to discuss love and human sexuality with their children will be overridden by the imposition of a curriculum not in conformity with Christian teaching and that of many other faiths. The right of parents to remove their children from such classes will be removed.

The implications of this Bill places the right of the State before that of the parents of a child in such an important part of life. Should this ideologically driven Bill become law, it will remove the ancient freedoms and duties of parents in the education of their children. It would restrict freedom of conscience, freedom of expression, freedom of worship and conscientious objection. These are fundamental human rights which should be respected in a pluralistic society. They are not being upheld by this proposed legislation.

The assertion of power by Welsh Government in the lives of its citizens is not always malicious, but it cannot go unchallenged. The responses to the consultation on this Bill have been largely ignored. The First Minister of Wales and the Members of the Senedd need to be reminded very clearly that they were elected by us in order to represent us. We do not elect members of the Senedd to usurp our role as parents, grandparents and families. The rights and duties of parents are more significant than party view and politics. This abuse of government power cannot go unchallenged. If we remain silent, there will be no appeal.

ACT NOW AND URGE YOUR LOCAL MS TO REJECT THE CURRICULUM & ASSESSMENT (WALES) BILL BY USING THE LINK BELOW:

<http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk/welshparents?tmpl=component&print=1>

This link will take you to a pro forma from the Catholic Education Service, they will provide you with details of your local MS on the basis of your postcode. Individual letters registering your objection to this proposed legislation are better than copied circulars.

A Personal Message:

The proposals from the Welsh Government that are presented for consultation at the present time, regarding the syllabus for Religious Education and provisions for Personal, Social and Sexual Education constitute a substantive threat to the provision of Catholic Education. Indeed, the proposals would invalidate the mission of our schools to deliver the Catholic faith. Our schools already give great account to the fact that we inhabit a pluralistic environment, however if we cannot deliver the integrity of the Church's teaching on faith and morals, then there would be no reason to maintain a Catholic school. Please play your part in defending the provision of Catholic education by supporting the Church's submission within this period of consultation.

THE ANGELUS

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary:

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary,

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

R. Be it done unto me according to your word. Hail Mary,

V. And the Word was made flesh:

R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary,

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE MAGNIFICAT

My soul glorifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour. He looks on his servant in her lowliness; henceforth all ages will call me blessed. The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name! His mercy is from age to age, on those who fear him. He puts forth his arm in strength and scatters the proud-hearted. He casts the mighty from their thrones and raises the lowly. He fills the starving with good things, sends the rich away empty. He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy, the mercy promised to our fathers, to Abraham and his sons for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Request for Prayers

Please continue to pray for Canon William Isaac, Parish Priest of St Teilo's in Whitchurch and Our Lady of Lourdes, Gabalfa. His surgery was delayed due to him contracting Covid-19. He has now undergone the first of two surgical operations and has returned to the presbytery. He is now preparing for more significant surgery in five weeks' time.

Please continue to pray for Fr Raymond O'Shea, who remains in hospital. He has now tested positive for Covid and is feeling very weak.

Fr Giles RIP

Please pray for the eternal repose of Fr Giles Goward. Fr Giles was Pastoral Director at St Mary's Seminary, Oscott, for a number of years, and was therefore well known to Fr Nicholas. Just last summer, Fr Giles was appointed as Rector of the Seminary. He was sadly diagnosed with a brain tumour just before Christmas, and we heard on Thursday that he had died peacefully in his sleep. He had been receiving palliative care at home in Oscott. We pray for his eternal repose and for the comforting of his family, together with the Seminary community.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

A PRAYER FOR OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITIES

Our school communities are still enduring a great deal of disruption as a result of the pandemic. Let us be sure to keep all of our pupils and our school staff in our thoughts and prayers. Maintaining the momentum of teaching and learning is proving to be immensely difficult. Please pray for St Mary's Primary, Holy Family Primary Mary Immaculate High, Corpus Christi High and St David's 6th Form College.

FINANCE & PROPERTY

Parish Offertory Collection at St Mary's:

23rd January - £ 512.82

St Mary's Standing Orders per week amount to £ 600.00

Parish Offertory Collection at Holy Family:

23rd January - £317.90

Holy Family Standing Orders per week amount to £ 250.00

WHY NOT GIFT-AID ALL YOUR PARISH DONATIONS?

COPIES OF 'THE UNIVERSE' ARE ON SALE AND AVAILABLE FOR £2.40

COPIES OF THE LENT EDITION OF 'BIBLE ALIVE' ARE ON SALE FOR £3

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL

We will be hosting our annual White Flower Appeal in support of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children on Sunday 14th February in both parishes.

S.P.U.C. is currently campaigning to stop 'remote' or 'home' abortion. Assessment is conducted remotely, via telephone or video connection. The drugs used to induce a chemical abortion are posted and then self-administered, therefore without the presence of medical supervision.

Please consult the S.P.U.C. website for more detailed information.

Donations can be made directly to S.P.U.C. via www.spuc.org.uk/donate

The Welsh Government are conducting a consultation on the issue which ends on the 23rd February.

Please go to <https://www.spuc.org.uk/Get-Involved/Campaigns?Wales-DIY-Abortion-Consultation>

ADVANCE NOTICE – LENTEN FAMILY FAST DAY

We will be celebrating our Lenten Family Fast Day on

Friday 26th February.

Donations to CAFOD will then be offered at the Masses on

Sunday 28th February.

Mass Intentions

There are a number of Mass intentions available at the moment, particularly for weekday Masses. In addition, please note that when a Mass is said in either parish for the People of the Parish, this refers to the members of both parishes.

BRINGING LOURDES HOME

There will be a 3 days Novena Devotion to Our Lady of Lourdes from the 8th February till 10th February via Zoom and a Live Telecast on the Feast day at the Cathedral on the 11th February. Our Lady of Lourdes is known throughout the world to intercede for both spiritual and physical healing. During this time last year, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes in France closed its gates for the first time in over a century. The Sanctuary has a privileged place in our hearts of prayer for and with the sick. It is still a place of intercession. The last year has taken its toll on many people in different ways, whether emotionally, spiritually, or physically. Let us unite ourselves in prayer during these 3-days Novena with all those who seek the healing intercession of Our Blessed Lady.

JOIN US EACH NIGHT

When: 8th February – 10th February (Monday till Wednesday)

Time: 7pm – 8pm Zoom Link : 868-571-1627 / Password: cathedral

FEAST DAY : 11th February (Thursday)

Time: 6pm (Rosary followed by Mass)

Live-Stream: www.cardiffcathedral.org.uk

Reflection by Guest Clergy

Rosary

Novena Prayers

A NOTE FROM DEACON MAURICE

‘REACHING OUT’: Many thanks to all who have made donations over the last few weeks and to all our volunteers who have enabled us to provide food parcels, hampers, children’s toys and food vouchers to around 100 families in need across West Cardiff over the Christmas period. We are now continuing this weekly food distribution programme for which we need ongoing funding of around £500 monthly so please continue to help if you can with money or food donations or both. Perhaps you may be able to make a regular weekly or monthly donation of £5, £10 or £20 - or more or less, by Standing Order? If you are willing and able to contribute with a one-off donation or on a more regular basis please contact me on 07747038274 or email: mfscanlon@hotmail.co.uk or Neil O’Toole on 07860647367 or email: neilgot@me.com Thanks for your ongoing generosity in these troubled times. God bless you all and keep safe and patient for just a few more months!



An Invitation to Hope: Mission through Prayer and Lament



Bible Society invites the Church to gather online to pray and lament for our nation, as we seek God together. This ecumenical event will be held on **Tuesday, February 9th from 10:00 – 11:30 am**. Led by Christian leaders from multiple traditions and cultural spheres, we will spend time in lament, prayer and reflection, asking God what He is doing and how we can partner with Him in a new wave of mission across our country.

Fr. Timothy Radcliffe OP will be one of the speakers.

We so hope you will be able to join us. **You can [book your free place now](#).**

CARDIFF YOUNG CATHOLICS VIRTUAL PUB QUIZ HOSTED ON ZOOM

MEETING ID: 964 3622 4862

PASSCODE: 823154

LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH; 7.30PM 31ST JANUARY 2021
FOR CATHOLICS AGED 18-35, HOSTED BY THE PARISHES
OF THE CARDIFF DEANERY