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Cheques for the Parish Must be Made Payable to: LLAY CATHOLIC CHURCH

2nd Sunday of Advent, Year B

9 December Saturday
6.00pm Llay (*Margaret & Arthur Bailey RIP*)

10 December Sunday
9.00am Rossett (*for the parishioners*)
11.00am Llay (*Fr Richard Elson*)
12.30 Midday: Latin Mass – Old (“Tridentine”)
Rite. (*Gerard Wadelove RIP*) **All Welcome.**

Monday – 2nd Week of Advent

9.30am Llay – (*Hilda Jones’ intentions*)

Tuesday - 2nd Week of Advent

9.00am Llay – (*Noonan RIP – F.Mass*)

Wednesday – St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

9.30am Llay – (*Rebecca Nelson’s intentions*)
 8.00pm Llay – **Silent Holy Hour**

Thursday – St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

9.30am Llay – (*Thompson RIP – F.Mass*)

Friday – 2nd Week of Advent

9.30am Rossett – (*Ida & Richard McDonald RIP*)

Saturday – 2nd Week of Advent

9.30am Llay – (*Mgr. David Bottrill RIP*)

*Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Holy Mass, Exposition (time for **Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession – from 10.10am**) & Benediction.*

3rd Sunday of Advent, Year B

Gaudete Sunday
16 December Saturday
6.00pm Llay

17 December Sunday
9.00am Rossett
11.00am Llay

Thank you for last week’s collections
 Offertory £647.18

Bishop Peter’s Pastoral Visitation to our Parish:

This takes place this weekend. We warmly welcome our Bishop to our parish and pray that it will be a happy, prayerful and fruitful visit. On Saturday afternoon at 4pm the Bishop will meet with those who have requested a private meeting and from 4.30pm to about 5.30pm he will meet with our PPC (Parish Pastoral Council) and Finance Committee together. On Sunday morning after the 11am Mass (and while the Latin Mass is being celebrated), the Bishop will meet with the Liturgical Ministers (Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers and Musicians etc.) in the hall at Llay i.e. at about 12.15 midday.

On Sunday afternoon he will visit the housebound sick with Canon Lordan. We thank him for spending so much time with us and look forward to the weekend.

This Sunday (10th December) – Celebrating “Bible Sunday” in the Catholic Church:

This year our theme is **“Welcome the Word”**, encouraging every man, woman and child to engage with the Bible in ways that are appropriate to them. So throughout Advent why not sign up to the Bible Society’s **#Advent Challenge** and **“Word on the Go: the Bible for Busy Catholics”** at www.wordonthego.org.uk You can find out more about these by visiting www.biblesociety.org.uk

This Monday (11th) – Our Parish Pre Christmas Lunch:

At the Ramada Hotel, Wrexham – 12 noon (**please be there by 11.45am**) - £15.95 including gratuity. All those who have “signed on” for it, please do remember. (If there are any others who would also like to come, please let us know **immediately** – Canon or Lorraine) – and enjoy!

Do Remember – Our Silent Hour of Prayer every week before the Blessed Sacrament: Most Wednesdays, 8pm to 9pm. Do come **this Wednesday.**

Our Wrexham Foodbank: have sent us new posters advising how we can best help them this Christmas, including the top 10 Food Items.

Further Advent Penitential Services: On this Thursday (14th) at **Chirk** at **7pm** and on the following Thursday (21st) at the **Cathedral in Wrexham** at **7pm** – with a number of priests available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (“Confession”)

First Penance & First Holy Communion 2018:

Preparation Class at Llay this coming Saturday (16th), 11 to 12. Children with parents or guardians. Do be there – and on time.

Our Annual Christmas Draw – Next Sunday 17th December After the 11am Mass:

Draw tickets are now on sale - £1 per ticket, £5 per book. 1st prize £100 plus other prizes including a £50 M&S Gift Card and a hamper. All proceeds in aid of our “Wednesday Club”.

“Walk with Me” Booklets – Advent and Christmastide 2017:

Once again available from the back – to help us on our spiritual journey through Advent and Christmastide, with a page a day from 3rd December to 8th January. These booklets are **free**, but donations are gladly accepted to help defray the costs.

Dave Bebbington’s “Birds”: The sale of these beautiful little carvings has raised £110 – all for the benefit of “Mary’s Meals.” Well done.

Altar Servers’ Mass: Bishop Peter invites all Altar Servers to a Mass of thanksgiving for Servers and a renewal of Commitment to Serve – followed by light refreshments – **on Sunday 30th December at 12 noon** in the Cathedral in Wrexham. Those who are interested in becoming an Altar Server are welcome to come along and find out more. **Remember to bring your alb.** For further information contact Deacon David Ives at dcndave61@gmail.com or see the notice at the back.

100 Club: Congratulations to the December Jackpot Draw winners - **1st Prize (£70)** Marco Pieraccini; **2nd Prize (£50)** Anne Cheetham. Thank you and well done to all those involved.

Let Us Pray For The Sick

John Blackman, Simon Bowen-Jones, Rose Byrne, Danny Carr, Pat Cummins, Barry Foster, Mary Gaffney, Rev. Owen Hardwicke, John Harkin, Jane Huxley, Eva McCallum, Veronica Marlow, Jean Partington, Debbie Riley, John Thompson, Peter Williamson.

Supporting Our Poor Clare Sisters in

Hawarden: Please read the Bulletin Extra for information.

Mary’s Meals: the charity that provides a meal to some of the children in the poorest parts of the world every day they attend school. They are currently feeding 1,230,171 children at a cost of £13.90 per child, per year.

From now until 31 December 2017, every £1 donated will be doubled by “three amazing donors”. Pick up a leaflet at the back and check it out at www.marysmeals.org.uk or tel: 0800 698 1212.

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN): Some copies of their little magazine **“Persecuted But Never Forgotten”** are available from the back, along with newsletters from various parts of the world – sad but inspiring reading, and crying out for a response from us.

“Adoremus” – The National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress – Liverpool, 7th to 9th September 2018: Do remember the dates and pray fervently for its success.

Our Soup Supper Last Friday (1st December):

This was a most enjoyable event and raised a wonderful £1,174.64, for the ongoing Soup Kitchen at Sumy in the Ukraine, a most deserving cause. Many thanks to all those who worked so hard to make it such an enjoyable and successful evening. Well done! Any further donations would be most welcome to bring our total up to that of last year!

Repository Christmas items: On display in the porch at Llay after the 6pm Saturday and 11am Sunday Masses – with someone in attendance should you wish to purchase some items.

CAFOD – “World Gifts” Catalogue: Full of inspirational gift ideas for Christmas. Copies available (for taking home) from the back.

The “Link”: The December edition of this, our **Free** Diocesan newsletter is now available from the back. Do take a copy, read it and pass it on.

We Remember In, Our Prayers Those Whose Anniversaries Occur This Week

11th Winifred Wynne
 13th Katie Edwardson; David Broderick
 14th Leslie Flynn
 15th Annie Mary Humphreys; Ellen Smith

