



Catholic Parishes of St. Michael's - Aberhonddu (Brecon) & St Joseph's - Y Gelli Gandryll (Hay-on-Wye)



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29th November 2020, **First Sunday of Advent** Week 1 (Sunday Cycle B, Weekday Cycle 1)

Day	Mass Time	Intention	
Saturday 28 th Nov 1st Sunday of Advent	6:00pm (Brecon)	For the Wellbeing of our Stewards & Volunteers	 Our Lady's Lamp is lit for
Sunday 29 th Nov 1st Sunday of Advent	9:00am (Hay-on-Wye) 11:00am (Brecon)	People of the Parish Eileen Curran RIP (Felicity Stockton)	
Wednesday 2 nd Dec	Exposition 5:30 & the Mass 6:00pm (Brecon)	Thanksgiving - Barbara Parry (Mick & Barbara Parry)	 Sacred heart Lamp is lit for
Thursday 3 rd Dec <i>St Francis Xavier, Priest</i>	Exposition 9:30 & the Mass 10:00am (Hay-on-Wye)	Special Intention (Geoff & Kathleen Whitaker)	
Friday 4 th Dec <i>St John Damascene Priest</i>	Exposition 9:30 & the Mass 10:00am (Brecon)	Don, Amanda & Joanna Baker (Jane Baker)	
Saturday 5 th Dec 2nd Sunday of Advent	6:00pm (Brecon)	Yarek & Magda (Slawek & Malweena)	
Sunday 6 th Dec 2nd Sunday of Advent	9:00am (Hay-on-Wye) 11:00am (Brecon)	People of the Parish Ciaran Gross RIP (Barbara & Mick Parry)	

Safety Guidance

- > There will be no standing at the back of church. Once Church is full the entrance will be closed.
- > The Holy Communion will be distributed on the hand only IN SILENCE.
- > Please remain in your pews to receive communion/blessing, priest will come to you.
- > Two benches for family groups have been allocated at the back
- > **Cloth face coverings are mandatory. (please bring your own)**
- > Parishioners should be prepared to sit where the stewards direct them. Let us all co-operate with the stewards to ensure that as many people as possible can celebrate Mass in safety. *Thanks*
- Please ring Fr Jimmy if you would like to receive Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(By St. Alphonsus Ligouri)
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You were already there, I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You; do not permit that I should ever be separated from You. Amen.

We thank Our Stewards: who are truly and really sacrificing a lot to help our church to remain open.
Stewards Needed If you are able to help as a Steward please Jayne Sandells or Fr Jimmy know as soon as possible, and let him know the days that you would be able to help. Many thanks!!

Stewards: Sat 6pm: Peter & Helen, **Sun:11am** Lucy & Jayne, **Wed: 6pm:** Lucy & Jayne & **Fri: 10am:** Jayne
Next Week: Sat: 6pm: Helen & Michelle **Sun:11am** Lucy & Verena **Wed: 6pm:** Jayne & Verena & **Fri: 10am:** Michelle & Jayne
St Joseph's: Sun: 9am: Marie Jeanne & Michael Rylands, **Thu 10am:** Michael R & Next Sunday: Marie Jeanne Winstone & Michael Rylands

Advent The three advent candle colours- purple, pink and white represent our spiritual preparation. The Advent wreath, typically a circular garland of evergreen branches, is eternity and unending love. Let us dedicate this advent for the healing of the world and ask God to renew humanity with His love and care.



Wish You a Holy Season of Advent.

During Advent and Christmastide, we are asked to pray especially for these intentions: Openness to the Word of God; Migrants and Refugees; Expectant Mothers
Ways to prepare for Advent in the home

- **Christmas Crib - Every home should have a Crib**
- Reading the Gospel of Mark before Christmas!
- Praying Rosary
- Weekday Mass

The blessing of Cribs, and images of the infant Jesus: will take place 12th/13th December, third Sunday of the Advent, (Gaudete Sunday).

Let us Pray That Covid-19 will come to end and development of an effective and safe vaccine.

- For those who are fearful, alone and isolated. For the sick, elderly and housebound especially those affected by the coronavirus. For those who died recently.

Readers & Stewards During Christmas: If anyone would like to volunteer as a reader for the Christmas Masses, or like to volunteer as a steward, please let Fr Jimmy know. Many thanks to those who have already volunteered. *God bless you.*

Christmas Offerings: Just a reminder that the Offertory collection taken at the Christmas Masses is your personal gift to Fr Jimmy. Your generosity, as always, is greatly appreciated. Envelopes are available at the back of Church.

*When our Lord was born of the Virgin, the message of the angelic voices was:
Glory to God in the highest, and peace to men of good will.*