



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



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26<sup>th</sup> April-4<sup>th</sup> May 2025 **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)** (Cycle C Week 2)

**ALLELUIA-CHRIST IS RISEN-ALLELUIA**

Day	Mass Time	Intention
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> April <b>Sat of the Octave of Easter</b>	6pm <b>Vigil Mass</b> (Brecon)	Joseph Kalapurackal RIP
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> April <b>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</b>	9.00am (Hay-on-Wye) 11.00am (Brecon)	Pope Francis RIP Mrs Sweeney & Jimmy (Aidan & Dawn)
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Exposition 9. 30am & the Mass 10am (Brecon)	Mgr Michael Lewis RIP
Tue 29 <sup>th</sup> April <b>St Catherine of Siena</b>	Exposition 9. 30am & the Mass 10am (Brecon)	Glenys Woodhouse RIP
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> April <b>St Pius V, Pope</b>	5.30pm Exposition & the Mass 6pm (Brecon)	Teresa Davies RIP (David & Pat)
Thu 1 <sup>st</sup> May St Joseph the Worker Parish Feast in Hay-on-Wye	10am (Brecon) 7pm (Hay-on-Wye)	Andrew Kelly (Ellie) People of the Parish
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> May <b>St Athanasius</b>	Memorial Mass 11am (Hay-on-Wye)	Alan Murphy RIP
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> May <b>3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE</b>	6.00pm <b>Vigil Mass</b> (Brecon)	James, Dannielle & Emily (Aidan & Dawn)
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> May <b>3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE</b>	9.00am (Hay-on-Wye) 11.00am (Brecon)	People of the Parish Mgr Michael Lewis RIP



**POPE FRANCIS**  
1936-2025  
MAY HIS SOUL REST IN  
PEACE & RISE IN  
GLORY

**POPE FRANCIS REST IN PEACE:** Pope Francis was born Jorge Maria Bergoglio in Argentina on the 17<sup>th</sup> December 1936 the son of Italian immigrations. He was elected the 266<sup>th</sup> pontiff on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

**Cardinal Kevin Farrell**, Camerlengo of the Holy Roman Church, announced the very sad news that the 88-year-old Pope Francis passed away at his residents in the Vatican on Easter Monday 21 April 2025. He said in his eulogy "The entire life of Pope Francis was dedicated to the service of the Lord and of His Church. He taught us to live the values of the Gospel with fidelity, courage, and universal love, especially in favour of the poorest and most marginalized. With immense gratitude for his example as a true disciple of the Lord Jesus, we commend the soul of Pope Francis to the infinite merciful love of the One and Triune God.

**In his homily at the Requiem Mass** for Pope Francis on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April, Cardinal Giovanni Battista Re said "He was a Pope among the people, with an open heart towards everyone, especially the marginalised, the least among us, but also a Pope attentive to the signs of the times and what the Holy Spirit was awakening in the Church"

**Archbishop Mark O'Toole said**, "I give thanks to God for having witnessed such an exceptional shepherd of the Church. By the manner of his life, Pope Francis has always challenged me to be a better, more faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. He first gave his life to God when he felt lovingly gazed upon, and called by God's mercy. We now entrust him into the merciful hands of the Lord, whom he has served most faithfully and generously. We accompany him with our prayers on this final journey he makes to the home of the Father."

**Pope Francis Easter Message 2025**, "Sisters and brothers, especially those of you experiencing pain and sorrow, your silent cry has been heard and your tears have been counted; not one of them has been lost!... The resurrection of Jesus is indeed the basis of our hope. For in the light of this event, hope is no longer an illusion.... That hope is not an evasion, but a challenge; it does not delude, but empowers us. —Pope Francis "Urbi Et Orbi,"

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*A very Happy and Holy Easter Season to you all. May the light of Our Risen Saviour bring you joy and peace, with every best wish for Easter as we celebrate this Holy Season for 50 days*

**MANY SINCERE THANKS FOR YOUR KIND WISHES, CARDS AND GIFTS**

*Father Jimmy Sebastian and Monsignor Clyde Hughes Johnson*

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:** Georgina Cavenagh, Miriam Walker-Owen, Patricia Hammond and Stephen Huggins who have been received into full Communion at the Easter Vigil. There will be a celebration after the Mass next Sunday.

**ST JOSEPH'S HAY-ON-WYE:** St Joseph's Parish Feast will be celebrated on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 7pm, on the feast of St Joseph the Worker.

**MAY PROCESSION:** In honour of Blessed Virgin Mary on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May after 11am Mass, in St Michael's Brecon followed by refreshments in the hall.

*"We continue to be loved and God will never stop loving us. God will walk with us always, even in the most painful moments."*

*– Pope Francis*