

DAY	FEAST	MASS	INTENTION	DEVOTIONS AND ACTIVITIES
SAT 20th	Lenten Feria	12 noon 530pm	John O'Shea For the Parish	<b>Monthly Service of Reconciliation 10am</b> Confessions after both Masses and 4.15-5.15pm
SUN	<b>Sunday Lent 5C</b>	930am	Robert Stadnick	<b>Baptism Presentation at 930am Mass</b> Baptism Team after Mass
MON	Lenten Feria	12 noon	Frankie Clark and Family	Catechism for First Holy Communion. SM 4pm <b>Penitential Service: 730pm: Llanrwst</b>
TUE	Lenten Feria	12 noon	Sick Clergy	<b>Penitential service: 730pm: Colwyn Bay</b>
WED	Lenten Feria	12 noon	Peter and Pat Grady	<b>Penitential Service: 730pm: Llandudno. SVP</b>
THU 25th	<b>ANNUCIATION</b>	930am School 12 noon	Terry Cringle RIP Mary Murphy	<b>Welcome: School Mass 930 am All Classes</b> Open House. 2-4pm <b>Outreach with St Mary 730pm Stella Maris</b> <b>Penitential Service: 730pm: Old Colwyn</b>
FRI 26th	Lenten Feria	12 noon	Eric Riding RIP	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament 1230-415pm <b>Holy Hour 3pm. Benediction 4pm</b> <b>Penitential Service: 730pm: Junction</b>
SAT 27th	Lenten Feria	12 noon 530pm	Special Intention Mary Mc Cormac RIP	<b>Young People's Adoration: 10am</b> Confessions after both Masses and 4.15-5.15pm
SUN	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	9.30am	Margaret Perkins RIP	<b>Baptisms 12 noon</b>

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Thank You for last Sunday's Collection. £1062, just short of the magic figure of £1075 which would have paid our bills completely. But it leaves not a penny for future maintenance. Please don't get complaisant about our financial situation.. We *must* build up our resources to be able to meet essential maintenance in the very near future. We should be saving in the region of £400 a week. Plate: £540; Gift-Aided £407; Tax Refund £114. Please remember the Church when you are making your will. Feed my Lambs: £234 (feeding 290 starving Sudanese children for a week). Well done. Poor Box. **£13.70**. We spend £30 a week on chocolate alone for the homeless! Feed My Lambs: £213 (feeding about 265 starving Sudanese children for a week) Well done!

# EIN HARGLWYDDES SEREN Y MÔR OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA LLANDUDNO

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*May we know Christ more clearly,  
love him more dearly  
and follow him more nearly*

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## Dear Parishioner,

I was pleased with the Parish's response to the Lenten Station Mass with the Bishop last Monday, and all those who attended were glad they did.

The Bishop spoke enthusiastically about many things, but there are two that I particularly want to draw your attention to: the Chrism Mass on the Wednesday of Holy Week and the gathering of the Diocese at Cymer Abbey on 6 June.

Before the Second Vatican Council, when the Liturgy was in its old form, the Chrism Mass was so long you needed to take a flask of tea and butties along with you. It was celebrated on Maundy Thursday morning. Now it has been streamlined and is a short, very beautiful and powerful service, celebrated on the Wednesday evening of Holy Week.

It still should be held on Maundy Thursday, but with all the other things that go on in the Parishes on that day, it was mutually decided between the Bishop and the Priests to celebrate this Mass on the Wednesday.

Why it should be on Maundy Thursday is because it is the occasion

when the priests of the Diocese gather around their Bishop and pledge themselves anew to serve the People of God by word and Sacrament. Maundy Thursday was the day when Jesus, at the last supper, made priests of his Apostles.

The tools, so to speak, of the priest's trade are the holy oils, which are used in four of the seven sacraments, baptism, confirmation, ordination and the anointing of the sick. So, at this Mass which commemorates the institution of the Priesthood, the holy oils are blessed by the Bishop.

On Holy Saturday Night, at the Easter Vigil, five new parishioners will be anointed with this newly blessed oil of Chrism as they are confirmed into the Church. The oils, blessed on the Wednesday, are solemnly brought into the Parish during the celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday evening.

The Bishop warmly invited us to attend this so called "Chrism Mass". I, of course, in past years have attended it regularly but have not encouraged you to do so too; but now I do. We will be putting on a bus

and the list for those wishing to go is on the notice board. Please consider it carefully: it would be an interesting and productive experience.

The other event the Bishop emphasised was the coming together of the Diocese at Cymer Abbey, Dolgellau, on 6 June. "Coming together of the Diocese" were the words the Bishop repeatedly used.

The event, Mass in the ruins of Cymer Abbey, is the principal event in the Diocese to mark the four hundredth anniversary of the martyrdom of St John Roberts, who was born in nearby Trawsfynedd and instructed in the Catholic Faith by a monk of Cymer Abbey.

John Roberts was the son of John and Anna Roberts and brought up Anglican, the Reformation and the destruction of the monasteries had happened within living memory. The Benedictine Monastery of Cymer, by Dolgellau, had been destroyed and the monks dispersed. One of them, still living in the area, influenced young John and set him on the road to Catholicism, Catholic Priesthood and Martyrdom.

After his ordination he ministered to the plague ridden poor of London. He was captured finally, for he had been caught and had made his escape several times before, on 2 De-

cember 1610. The arresting officers arrived as he was celebrating Mass and led him to Newgate Prison in his vestments. On 5 December 1610 he was tried and found guilty of being a Catholic Priest. On 10 December 1610 he was hanged, drawn and quartered at Tyburn, London.

The Bishop wants the "Diocese to come together" at Cymer Abbey on 6 June, the Feast of Corpus Christi this year. The Church, as well as the Eucharist, is the Body of Christ, and our "coming together" is an expression of this. This being the last year we have Bishop Edwin as our Bishop (he is retiring at the end of it), the "coming together" to mark the anniversary of this great saint and martyr, John Roberts, can also be an opportunity for us to express our gratitude for the great bishop the Lord has given us over these past fifteen years. Again, there will be a list in the porch just as soon as I can arrange the coach.

Next week is our Deanery Penitential Week. Please note on the Timetable overleaf where and when these services are taking place and please try to get to the Sacrament before Easter. It is a strange turn about that I should be pleading with you to receive this Sacrament of God's personal love for you; you should be pleading with me to give it to you.

God bless, Fr Antony