



Date	Mass times week beginning 26th March, 2022
Saturday	10am Lenten Penitential service 4:30pm Mass : 4th Sunday in Lent: Int: Parish
Sunday	09:30am Mass: 4th Sunday in Lent: Int : Dermot and Maureen Carroll 60th Wedding Anniversairy
Tuesday	12pm Mass: 4thweek in Lent: Int: James Wiseman (FM) RIP
Wednesday	12pm Mass: 4th week in Lent: Int: Patrick Melon (FM) RIP
Friday	12pm Mass: 4th week in Lent :Int: Marie Dorothea Jones (FM) RIP 6:30pm: Stations of the Cross
Saturday	10am Rosary and confessions from 10-10:30) 4:30pm Mass: 5th Sunday in Lent: Int Parish
Sunday	09:30am Mass: 5th Sunday in Lent: Int: Pearly in thanksgiving
<b><u>Last weeks'</u></b> <b><u>Offering</u></b> <b>Plate: £320.87</b> <b>Gift Aid: £314.10</b> <b>Thank you all for your generosity!</b> We encourage you to join the gift aid scheme if you are able please contact: <b>01492860546</b>	<b>Parish Contact persons</b> <b>Parish Priest:</b> Fr Innocent Abonyi MSP: 01492 860546 <b>Parish Sister:</b> Sr Jennifer: 01492 877778 (M) 07710416876 <b>Sacristan:</b> Catherine Stones <b>Secretary:</b> Kelly Williams: Email: priestllandudno@rcdwxm.org.uk <b>Stella Maris:</b> Bernadette & Ryan Tel. 01492 878431. stellamarisllandudno@gmail.com <b>Safeguarding:</b> Mike Hendry 01492549973

<b>4th Sunday in Lent</b> <b>Laetare</b>	<b>DIOCESE OF WREXHAM:</b> Registered Charity Number 700426 <b>Our Lady Star of the Sea R.C Church,</b> 35, Lloyd Street, Llandudno, LL30 2YA	 
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### Mark 15:10-20

For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. Then Pilate spoke again, 'But in that case, what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?' They shouted back, 'Crucify him!' Pilate asked them, 'What harm has he done?' But they shouted all the louder, 'Crucify him!' So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, after having Jesus scourged, he handed him over to be crucified. The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him up in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him, 'Hail, king of the Jews!' They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes. They led him out to crucify him.

#### This Sunday's readings

First reading: Joshua 5:9-12

Responsorial Psalm 33(34):2-7

Second reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Gospel acclamation: I will leave this place and go to my father and say: 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.'

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3,11-32

<b>Lenten Penitential service Saturday</b> <b>2nd April 10am,</b> <b>Please make every effort to attend.</b>	<p><b>Happy Mother's day to all the Mother's in our Parish as well as those who mother us in life, our aunts, friends and religious. May God bless you in your vocation of motherhood. May our blessed Mother help you to guide your children to heaven.</b></p> <p>If you prefer donating online our Bank details are as follows:  <b>Name of account: Llandudno Catholic Church. Account number: 08157677 Sort code: 55-81-42</b></p>
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#### 4th week in Lent: Weekly reflection : St Patrick v St David

Yesterday, as I write, was the feast of St Patrick. There are many who have reason to be grateful that a Welshman (?) named Patrick was born in these lands, way back around 385. I am such a one and I'll tell you why.

My grandfather was a Welshman, a staunch Protestant and a purveyor of black pudding! Whether he made the yucky stuff or just sold it, I do not know. What I do know is that, unsurprisingly, it brought very little money into the poverty stricken household. Sadly, he was long dead before I was born.

But fortune smiled on him. One day he encountered something as unlike a chunk of black pudding as the human mind is capable of imagining - a beautiful Irish colleen, who, because of St Patrick, was a Catholic.

In due time, my father was born. But, for my grandfather, one thing was utterly certain, he wasn't going to be baptised a Roman Catholic!

Babies have a habit of creating a lot of washing and for my grandmother the only place to do it was outside at the communal wash-place where, no doubt, she enjoyed the friendly company of many other young mothers.

But one day, hidden among what looked to my grandfather like a straightforward bundle of laundry on its way to the wash-place, was his tiny son. His wife's destination was a laundry of an entirely different kind - she was on her way to the Catholic church to baptise the baby.

And, as they say, the rest is history. So who has had the greater influence on me, a Catholic priest and a proud Welshman - St David or St Patrick? Half-time score: Patrick 1 - David 1. I've often thought about the spiritual consequences of that act of disobedience to husband in favour of obedience to God. As a priest, I have served the Church for already fifty-five years. I take no credit for whatever may have been achieved in that time for everything must be accredited to the grace of God. Whatever was achieved has had its own repercussions as well - and all this, humanly speaking, pivoting on a poor young woman smuggling her baby to church in a bundle of laundry! Such a little, little thing!

But was it not St David who made this very point when, in his famous final sermon, he urged his followers to take care of the little things in life? His lesson was that you just never know how God may use in the future whatever you do in the present.

Final score: Patrick 1 - David 2. **Father Antony**

**Mass Intentions:** Have you ever thought about arranging for a Mass to be said for a particular intention? To understand more about having a Mass said for a particular intention, please kind read below: <https://aleteia.org/2017/09/02/what-are-mass-intentions/>

*Contact the parish office or sacristan to arrange for a Mass to be said for you.*

#### Can you help? Can you support the parish donation?

Keeping our church warm, paying the lighting and electricity bill, fixing the roof when it leaks, supporting the Diocese of Wrexham through a yearly levy, which is quite big, and taking care of other recurrent expenditure only happens thanks to your generosity dearest parishioners and friends. We don't receive any money from the council or the Vatican! Perhaps you could consider setting up a standing order to support the running costs of your parish which is huge. At this challenging time, it won't be possible for everyone to help in this way, but if you can, you'll find the parish bank details in the newsletter. Alternatively you can make a one off donation. Parishioners who have left legacies for us in the past are the reason why we are still open. Consider helping us to stay open please. Thank you.

**Lenten Penitential service:** On Saturday 2nd April we will be holding our Lenten penitential service, at 10am.

**CYTYN:** There will be a second collection on Saturday/Sunday 9yh/10th April for CYTYN, this is a local council of Christian churches and places of worship.

**Stella Maris friendship and companion group:** Are you lonely and looking for friendship and companionship? We would like to hear from you, to help in the start up of our new group. We will meet to have coffee and chats, to go walking, to go to the theatre or cinema, to travel and to share in both happy and sad times. If you are interested and would like to find out more, please contact Jane Baines on 07849253732 or Jane Miller at [hjm031@outlook.com](mailto:hjm031@outlook.com)

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**80 in 2022 Birthday celebration:** If you, or any Parishioners you may know, have/will be celebrating an 80th birthday in 2022, please get in touch with Fr. Innocent or pop by the Sacristy to let our sacristan, Cath know.

**Holy week practices:** On the 14th, 15th and 16th of April at 10am, there will be a practice for all who are contributing to the various Masses of Holy Week. This includes Altar servers, readers and singers. Please can you confirm your attendance with our Sacristan, Cath prior to these practices, many thanks.

**Rosary for Ukraine in Polish:** We are extremely grateful that some of our Polish community has offered to lead the Rosary each weekday evening at 7pm in the Church, everyone is most welcome. Follow this link for prayers for Ukraine: <https://pray-as-you-go.org/player/prayer%20tools/prayerforukraine>

**Notice:** On the 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2022, Bishop Peter has very kindly requested that he says a Lenten Station mass here in our Parish: The evening will begin with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and confessions from 5:30pm followed by Mass at 6pm, please make every effort to attend.

**It is a Christian and wholesome charity for us to pray for our sick clergy and our brothers and sisters, and housebound.** : Fr Antony Jones, Fr Ian Dalgleish and Canon Bernard Lordan . Jennifer Congreve, Doreen Barker, Bob Lemon, Pat Wilcox, Janice Lockwood, Stephen O'Connell, Jim Kane, Shelagh Scraggs, Jennifer Hamlett, Olive McStay, Emmie Kelly, John Barron, Cora Roberts, Gavin Smith, Patrick McGlad, Kristina Adey-Davies, Christopher Rakestraw, Eric Hibbert, Des Garth Jones, Amy Jones, Eira Dalzell, Teresa Kearns, Maria Spacome, Linda and Paul Blanchard, Joe Evans