

# 3 Churches News

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**Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup> 2014 Palm Sunday (YEAR A)**

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## **MOST HOLY OF WEEKS**

In a month's time, God willing, I, with the rest of the "September" Pilgrims, will be able to stand in the traditional Room of the Last Supper, wander around the Garden of Gethsemane, climb up onto the Hill of Calvary and visit the Tomb. No matter that some of these may not be precisely in the exact location of the events of Holy Week. The important thing is that these holy places remind us that these events really *did* happen. Real bread and wine became the real Body and Blood, real water on Peter's feet, thorns on head, nails in wrists and ankles, blood on wood... yes, it all happened.

This week, this Week of Weeks, takes us to the heart and source of our faith where we find life and death, love and hate, faithfulness and betrayal, sin and perfection, fear and triumph. In a word, it is in Holy Week and Easter that we find the truth of our faith, where God bends down, immerses himself in our humanity in all its grittiness and offers to raise us to glory. If we have come this far in Lent, one last effort, one last decision to stay with Him - as He decided at Gethsemane to do all this for us - and we will be there. A final determination to follow him now, and we too can be raised up with Him.

Finally, our prayer for use at Mass or at home for Palm Sunday:



Lord Jesus,

You have accompanied us on our journey through Lent,  
be with us now as we enter this most holy of weeks.

Help us to embrace the glory and the joy of the cross  
through which you redeemed each one of us.

And instill in us a desire to share your infinite love and mercy for us  
with those who do not know you.

Amen.

*Fr Matthew*

Response to Psalm **My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

Gospel Acclamation: **Glory and praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.**

**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-7 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11 Gospel: Matthew 26:14—27:66**

St. Brigid's and Christ the King are parishes of the Archdiocese of Cardiff. A Registered Charity No. 242380.

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### Father's News

#### HOLY WEEK SERVICES

We published the full times of Services on last week's front page. They are as shown on this week's back page.

#### THE LIGHT IS ON

In addition to our normal Confessions times, "The Light is On" is at St Brigid's and Christ the King Wednesday 7.00-8.00pm.

#### CHRISM MASS

Please note that this year the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral is on Wednesday, not Thursday.

#### NEWS OF OUR CHURCH BUILDINGS

\* A major project to put a **new roof on Christ the King Church** will begin on Tuesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The project will last up to five weeks (May 23<sup>rd</sup>), but it is expected that minimal disruption to activity inside the Church will be caused. We know that all parishioners will be patient while this important job is carried out.

\* 2014 marks **50 years since the building of St Brigid's Church**. To mark this event, there will be a special parish Mass, and Lunch at the New House on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September, the date of the opening of the Church. Later, on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December Archbishop Stack will preside at a Mass to mark the anniversary of the consecration of the Church on that date in 1964. Please put these dates in your diary, and details of these events will follow later. In addition, we have commissioned some new matching sanctuary furniture bearing the St Brigid's Cross symbol. A lectern, paschal candle stand, priest's and

servers' chairs will complete the recent redecoration of the Church.

#### Father Owen Hardwicke

Fr Owen Hardwicke will mark 60 years of his priesthood on **Friday 25 April with an anniversary mass of thanksgiving at 7.30pm at St Mary of the Angels in Canton**, the church where he was ordained. Fr Owen served in the Wrexham diocese but has been a regular visitor to Christ the King for many years and a great help and support to us in the 3 churches since his return to Cardiff in retirement. All are welcome to attend the mass and refreshments afterwards in St Mary's church hall. For further information please contact Elizabeth Taylor tel 2075 1401. (On 17 June Fr Owen will celebrate a further mass of thanksgiving, this time for his 90th birthday, at St Francis Church in Llay.)

#### CELEBRATE WALES

Our Celebrate Wales Weekend is **3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> May at Corpus Christi High School**. This is a lively, Catholic, faith filled weekend for the whole family - with inspiring talks and workshops, streams for children & young adults aged 3 to 21 and daily Mass, praise and worship. Talented speakers include Charles Whitehead and Pastor Clyde Thomas. Visit our webpage at [www.celebrateconference.org/wales](http://www.celebrateconference.org/wales) to find out more and see why each year hundreds of people recommend Celebrate Wales as something the whole family can enjoy together as they grow in faith. Pick up a leaflet at the back of the church, download a booking form at the website or phone 07961 346343 for more details.

#### TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

The annual Torchlight Procession in honour of Our Lady takes place at Belmont Abbey, Hereford, on Wednesday 14 May starting at 9.00pm. Preacher: Dom Brendan Thomas. Refreshments available afterwards. Info: 01432 374 735

**Eucharistic Adoration is unable to take place during the replacement of the church roof at Christ the King, which will start after Easter. Therefore, there will be no Eucharistic Adoration in Christ the King until Tuesday 3 June. Eucharistic Adoration will recommence w/c 28 April in St Pauls on Wednesdays from 10am to 3pm.**

#### Youth2000

Join 1000+ young people this Summer at Youth2000, an international Catholic movement for young people. To book a seat on the Youth2000 coach from Wales this summer, email [youth2000wales2walsingham@gmail.com](mailto:youth2000wales2walsingham@gmail.com) or call Miriam Withers on 07772 484454. For more info, check [youth2000.org](http://youth2000.org) or find us on Facebook.

#### Divine Mercy Celebration

at Llantarnam Abbey Sunday 27 April  
2.30pm Adoration  
3pm Divine Mercy, prayers and meditation concluding with Benediction. Sacrament of reconciliation available. All very welcome. Further details contact: Mary Fodor 01443 201868.

**This newsletter was edited by Luke Todd (2014)**

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### Luisa Ciriello's Story

So I have decided to run the **Edinburgh Marathon 25th May 2014**! For those of you who don't know, in 2009 my father (Mario Ciriello) lost his brave battle to colorectal cancer. During which time he was lovingly cared for by the staff of Velindre hospital. Whose compassion and support proved invaluable to my father and family. Therefore I ask you to kindly support with a donation to this wonderful organisation that has helped so many families in a similar position. [www.justgiving.com/luisa-ciriello](http://www.justgiving.com/luisa-ciriello)

For more information on Velindre please visit: <http://www.velindrefundraising.com/yourvelindre>

### OPEN DOOR CLUB

The next meeting of the Open Door Club is at Christ the King Parish Centre on Thursday 17 April, 2-4pm. We will be holding a bring and buy sale. Everyone is welcome.

### Llanishen and District Churches Together Quiet Garden

**Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup> – April 27<sup>th</sup>**

Come and visit the Easter Garden during Holy Week and Easter. A leaflet with details of the Quiet Garden programme for 2014 is available on the table at the back of the church.

**Send your newsletter items to:** [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) and if you would like to be included on the mailing list to receive an e-version of this newsletter, please contact the same address.

### Confirmation Catechists Needed

Several of our Confirmation Catechists are stepping down after this year's programme. We have had some very enthusiastic volunteers willing to become catechists but need a few more, especially from St Brigid's and St Paul's Parishes. If you are willing and able to become a catechist for Confirmation, please contact Marie and Peter O'Brien tel: 2075 3771, email [marie.peter@btinternet.com](mailto:marie.peter@btinternet.com) or speak to Canon Matthew. It is a very rewarding role.

## Christ the King

### Altar Linen

April: Lynne Davies

### Christian Aid Week 11<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Christian Aid week is fast approaching and we will have our usual forty two streets to cover. A list of streets and envelopes will be available shortly. In the meanwhile, could you please consider whether you could help with the distribution and collection of the envelopes. Do ring Ann on 2075 2900 if you are interested.

**Bill & Win Drury wish to thank Canon Matthew & the parishioners of Christ the King for their good wishes and kind gift following their recent retirement from the Gift Aid Counting Group. We are pleased to have played our part over the past 17 years in this important aspect of parish life & to know that our work has helped a little in the raising of funds to replace the church roof.**

### Phone a Friend

The Christ the King 'Phone a Friend' links a small team, based at the Parish Centre, with parishioners who might be rather tied to the house, be lonely or just enjoy a good chat. The service operates every Tuesday morning between 10.30am and 12.30. Interested? Want to find out more? Then please phone us on Tuesday or at any time to the answer phone service on 2075 2694

### EASTER SUNDAY FAMILY MASS

The 10.30am Mass on Easter Sunday will be a Family Mass. If any children or young people would like to take part contact Marie O'Brien 2075 3771, email [marie.peter@btinternet.com](mailto:marie.peter@btinternet.com) or leave your name and contact details on the list at the back of the church

Welcomers and eucharistic ministers are needed for the Maundy Thursday mass, the Good Friday liturgy, the Easter Vigil and the Easter morning masses. If you can help please sign the sheet on the notice board in the porch.

### Collections

On Good Friday there will be a collection for the Holy Places. The collections at the Easter Masses will be for our Easter offering to Canon Matthew and Father Tomy.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### Easter Flowers

There will be a collection for Easter flowers in St Brigid's and St Paul's after all masses this weekend, (12/13 April) Thank you for your generosity in helping to make our churches look extra special at this time of the year.

## Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday

6pm	St Paul's	<b>John Skiffington</b>	
6.30pm	C the K	<b>Intention of Lannon Family (C Lush)</b>	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	<b>Intention of Stella Madden (P Charles)</b>	Palm Sunday
9am	St Paul's	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
10.30am	St Brigid's	<b>Pat Skrines (Family)</b>	
10.30am	C the K	<b>Keith Powell (M Powell) &amp; Seren Rose Thomas (M Thomas)</b>	
3.30pm	C the K	<b>Stations of the Cross led by the Youth and Children of the Parish</b>	
6pm	St Brigid's	<b>Josie Camilleri</b>	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	<b>Sunday Praise</b>	
Mon. 9.30am	C the K	<b>Shirley Crowley (M Crowley)</b>	
9.45am	St Brigid's	<b>Private Intention</b>	
Tues. 9.30am	St Brigid's	<b>William, Sandy and baby Esther</b>	
9.30am	C the K	<b>Ernest Bowley (M Tallis)</b>	
Wed. 9.30am	St Paul's	<b>Special Int (Manley)</b>	
8pm	C the K	<b>Joe Dolan (A Taylore &amp; M Jones)</b>	
Thurs. 8pm	St Brigid's	<b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>	Maundy Thursday
8pm	C the K	<b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>	
Fri. 10am	C the K	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Good Friday
3pm	St Brigid's	<b>Commemoration of the Passion</b>	
3pm	C the K	<b>Commemoration of the Passion</b>	
Sat. 10am	C the K	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Holy Saturday

## Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday

8.30pm	St Brigid's	<b>Easter Vigil and First Mass (John &amp; Norma Pathy)</b>	
9pm	C the K	<b>Easter Vigil and First Mass</b>	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	<b>Deceased members of the O'Brien Family (H Owen)</b>	Easter Sunday
9am	St Paul's	<b>Jo Regan (Horton)</b>	
10.30am	St Brigid's	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
10.30am	C the K	<b>Children of the Parish</b>	
11.45am	St Brigid's	<b>Baptisms</b>	
6pm	St Brigid's	<b>Dec'd Carey Family</b>	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	<b>Sunday Praise</b>	

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### Eucharistic Adoration

#### Christ the King

Tuesday 10am-1pm  
**St. Paul's**  
Wednesday 10am-3pm  
**St. Brigid's**  
Thursday 8-9pm

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**St Brigid's**  
Saturday 10-10.30  
**St Paul's**  
Saturday 5.30pm.  
**Christ the King**  
Saturday 5.45-6.15pm

### Last Week's Collection

**Sts. Brigid & Paul**  
**Gift Aid** £ 851.98  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 625.32  
**Total** £ 1477.30  
**S/O month av.** £ 807.50

### Christ the King

**Gift Aid** £ 492.74  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 459.11  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 389.45  
**Total** £ 1341.30

**Please send items to [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) by Wednesday afternoon at the latest!**

### PRAYERS

*Please remember the following in your prayers, who are unwell at this time:*

Keith Allen, Mary Amugan, Maureen Carroll, Sian Clark, Mary Clarke, Win Collins, Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Jennifer Ellis, Emily, Anna Forrest, Rod Forrest, Jane Goldsworthy, Maria Hill, Tony Hutchings, Caitriona Lovell, Joseph (Benny) Lynch, Dean Maguire, Dolores Meehan, Vernon Morgan, Niamh Murphy, Maureen O'Driscoll, Kieran Ollin, Alan Paines, Rona Perry, Sue Power, Cath Rees, Claire Richards, Pat Roberts, Peter Scott, Dewi Thomas, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Worthington.