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ST TERESA OF AVILA

Teresa of Avila, a Discalced Carmelite and Doctor of the Church, is one of my favourite saints. I first came across her through studying Spanish literature in school and university. I was struck by her astonishing spirituality. joined to a well-earthed humanity. Indeed, I see her as one of the main influences in my becoming a priest. Next March sees the 500th anniversary of her birth, and the church in many places is observing a Year of St Teresa from her feast last Tuesday to the same date next year.

To mark this special year, Pope Francis has sent a message to the Bishop of Avila, an ancient city northwest of Madrid in the stark landscape of Castile in central Spain. He writes that St Teresa teaches us that the path to God *is* the path towards love for one another. He underlines that this great Saint, who was born on the 28th of March 1515 and died on the 4th of October 1582, was a woman of immense spirituality. He focuses on four gifts in particular that she possessed, those being joy, prayer, fellowship and being in touch with the realities of her own time. Not a bad list, and such a accurate description!

The Pope writes that St Teresa emphasizes the joy in discovering God, resulting in the love for one another that is nourished by prayer. This, he says, "overcomes pessimism and generates good deeds." Focusing on the Carmelite nun's mystical experience, the Pope says that it did not separate her from the world or from the concerns of the people. On the contrary, he adds that she has given "a new impetus and courage for action."

Pope Francis notes that what St Teresa has to say through her writings has "perennial relevance" and he adds that it applies to individuals in their journey towards God and men. I'll share some more from the great St Teresa, perhaps, as the Year goes on.

Fr Matthew



Response to Psalm **Give the Lord glory and power.**
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Your Word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!**



1st Reading: Isaiah 45: 4-6 **2nd Reading:** St Paul to Thessalonians 1: 1-5 **Gospel:** Matthew 22: 15-21

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Father's News

JOURNEY OF FAITH

Have you, or someone you know, shown interest in things Catholic? Maybe a family member, neighbor or colleague has "asked questions"? We will soon be starting our annual meetings to help people explore the Faith. If interested please contact Fr Matthew as soon as possible.

CHARLES WHITEHEAD AT ST BRIGID'S

Charles Whitehead is a leading figure in Catholic spirituality and teaching. Highly involved in youth ministry in his own diocese, he has served as Chairman of the International Catholic Charismatic Office in Rome. We have an opportunity to hear him on **Saturday 8th November**, when he comes to speak at a **Day of Renewal** at St Brigid's. After Mass at the usual time of 9.30am, celebrated by Fr Matthew with homily by Fr Gareth Leyshon, the day will include two sessions with Charles, speaking on "A Deeper Life in the Spirit", time to share in groups, and a period for prayer and ministry, ending by 4.30pm. Bring a packed lunch – tea and coffee provided. On the Friday evening, he will speak at the monthly **Vigil of Prayer** organized by the Syro-Malabar community, that begins with Rosary at 7pm. Fr Matthew will celebrate Mass at 7.45 and then Charles will speak on the Call to Holiness.

Corpus Christi High School present

GREASE

22-25 October

Tickets £8 adults/ £5 Children

Available from the school

Tel: 2076 1893

Email: bmullins@cardiff.gov.uk

A DIFFERENT HALLOWE'EN

Our diocesan Parenting Support and Evangelisation Team invite families to an evening of activities to mark Hallowe'en as a Christian celebration of 'The Light of the World'. **Friday October 31st from 6.30pm at The Cornerstone, Charles Street.** Hallowe'en, or All Hallows Eve, is the vigil (beginning) of the feast of All Saints - the feast in which we celebrate the glory of God in His saints. Like them, we too are called to live out our calling to be the 'Light of the world' today. So Hallowe'en can be transformed from a night associated with darkness into a truly Christian festival once again. A light supper will be available.

SUNDAY PRAISE

Our Sunday evening gathering for praise and worship, teaching and sharing, continues each week at 7.30pm.

Launch of CAFOD's new climate change campaign

Climate change is the biggest threat to reducing poverty. Whether it is typhoons or floods destroying entire communities, or unpredictable seasons for farmers leaving millions hungry, climate change is undoing years of work to improve people's lives. CAFOD's launch of the **One Climate, One World Campaign** will include speakers from Peru who will show how climate change is threatening their communities. Please join us at The Norwegian Church in Cardiff Bay, 6:00-7:30pm, on Friday 24 October. To reserve your place please contact CAFOD South Wales on 2034 4882. Spaces are limited, so first come first served.

If you didn't get an opportunity to sign the petition against Cardiff

Councils decision to withdraw funding for discretionary fare paying buses for children who live within 3 miles of their school, you can still do so online at: <http://chn.ge/1rYyukf> These changes could affect many families choice for their children to attend a faith school in the future.

The September Pilgrimage 2015

A meeting will be held in St Brigid's Parish Hall on Monday 20 October 7.30pm, to present details of our proposed 2015 Pilgrimage to Sicily, anybody interested is welcome to attend.

Mass of Memories

The annual 3 churches Mass of Memories will be held on Saturday 1 November at 10am at St Brigid's Church. This is an opportunity to remember all who have died - from our community, our families and amongst our friends. We will particularly remember those from the 3 churches who have died in the last year. There will be light refreshments after the mass. Requests for transport to Christ the King Parish Office (2075 3945) or Bernice Rayer (St Brigid's & St Paul's) 07887 641351.

NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

As we approach the month of November, with its Feasts of All Saints and All Souls, we are reminded in a poignant way of loved ones we have lost. On the following Tuesdays: Oct. 28th, Nov. 4th, Nov. 11th and Nov. 25th, there will be a series of half-hour talks at the Cornerstone in Charles Street, (opposite St. David's Cathedral), at 12.30pm, on subjects related to Life and Death.

Information on each of these events will be published in this newsletter or visit www.cardiffcatholic.com

Huggard Centre for the Homeless (formerly CASH)

A big thank you to those who supported the 'Musical Tea Party' on Wednesday 8 October – a total of £1291.70 was raised!

On behalf of the CTK Rainbow of Hope 'Paradise Run' for the homeless.

As it's getting colder and darker some extra food that can be warmed up would be much appreciated! If you're making a pizza, quiche, pie or anything tasty that can be taken warm to the homeless, please contact 2076 5077 and let me know. Please bring it to the church porch labelled or we can pick it up. Next date of the Run is November 2nd. Thank you very much.

CWL

The next Catholic Women's League meeting will take place on Monday, 27 October at 2pm. at St. Paul's. We will be discussing The Way Forward for the League. After the meeting, we will be assembling shoe boxes (size 8) for the elderly in Eastern European countries. Leaflets about this are available at the back of the church. Any one who is interested in donating items listed on the leaflets or who would like to make up their own boxes, please contact a member of C.W.L.

Christ the King

Altar Linen

October: M Greening

Mass Time Changes – Thursday morning's Mass will be at 9.45am and will be led by year 4 of Christ the King Primary School.

TRAIDCRAFT

A selection of Christmas cards will

be available in the parish centre every Sunday after 8.30 and 10.30am Mass.

CAFOD at CTK

Thank you for supporting Harvest Fast Day. Christ the King raised £885 (plus approximately £85 in gift aid). The amount you gave will help to ensure countless more people are able to eat healthy food TODAY and can grow their own food to support themselves TOMORROW.

Lost Property Parish Centre

There is a table of items in the porch of the parish centre that have been left unclaimed for several months. If any belong to you please take them. Any unclaimed items will be disposed of by the end of the month. Thank you.

LINK

Preparation will be starting soon for our next issue of LINK. This will again be including Christmas greetings. Email any contributions asap to: mark.cherime@talktalk.net or j.v.rendle@talk21.com. Thanks

SACRISTAN(S)

Our appeal for helpers in the behind-the-scenes work of the sacristy moves on. We will be bringing together those who already share some of the work with some new faces. Could **you** be one of them?

GIFT AID - A PAINLESS WAY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CHURCH

Did you know that if you pay income tax the Church can reclaim 25p for every pound that you contribute to the Church without it costing you anything? Over the last few years this has brought in nearly 10,000 a year for the Church. This has helped to replace the roof and develop the Parish Centre. To gift aid your contributions is simple - you can place the money that you give at the collection into

an envelope and place it in the basket or, if you prefer, a standing order payment can be made weekly, monthly or annually. If you have not considered gift aiding please take a moment to do so. If you wish to join the scheme or discuss it further please contact John Dean on 2062 5697. Thanks to all our existing contributors. As you can see from the newsletter you are contributing nearly 900 pounds a week bringing in 225 pounds from HMRC every week!

St Brigid's & St Pauls

We welcome Cian Reardon into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism at 10.30 Mass this Sunday

CAFOD

We are glad to announce that St Brigid's and St Paul's raised £744.16 in the recent CAFOD Family Fast.

Morning Prayer of the Church is now prayed each Monday at St Brigid's, at 9.10am before morning Mass. All are welcome.

PARISH LITURGY GROUP

The next Parish Liturgy Group meeting, during which we will be planning for Advent and Christmas, will take place on Wednesday 22 October at 7.30pm in the Hall. (Anyone unable to attend but would like an item included on the agenda telephone Anne Burns - 2076 6318 or email anne@e-ctg.co.uk)

Romanian Shoe Box Appeal

Please would any shoeboxes be returned to St Brigid's and St Paul's by next weekend (October 25th / 26th). If anyone wishes to get in touch, then please ring Brigid Brown, 2031 7091. Many thanks.

Sunday October 19th 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6pm	St Paul's	Julia Kent (McManus)	
6.30pm	C the K	Private Intention (F)	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	Tony Hutchings (M & L Halloran)	
		29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9am	St Paul's	Julia Kent (Horton)	
10.30am	St Brigid's	Tom Moran (Conway)	
		Baptism: Cian Reardon	
10.30am	C the K	Parish Intentions	
6pm	St Brigid's	People of the Parish	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Sunday Praise	
Mon. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Leonie O'Hanlon	
9.30am	C the K	Private Intention (F)	
Tues. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Breda Murphy (Jones)	
9.30am	C the K	Keith Warner (M Crowley)	
Wed. 9.30am	St Paul's	Julia Kent (Eileen Evans)	St John Paul II
7.30pm	C the K	Luke Jones (A Kirby)	
Thurs. 9.45am	C the K	Pam Gush (A Rees)	St John of Capestrano
		Led by Year 4 of CTK Primary School	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Margaret Guess (Daley)	
Fri. 9.30am	St Paul's	Julia Kent (Williams)	St Anthony Mary Claret
9.30am	C the K	Bernadette Charles (M & T Pinnell)	
Sat. 9.30am	St Brigid's	McManus Ints (Camilleri)	6 Welsh Martyrs and Companions

Sunday October 26th 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6pm	St Paul's	Rob Voisey & Family (Leigh)
6.30pm	C the K	Harry & Ann Norris (K Liddington)
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	Helen Owen 90th Birthday in thanksgiving
9am	St Paul's	Beeze Mullen (Horton)
10.30am	St Brigid's	People of the Parish
10.30am	C the K	Peter Murphy
6pm	St Brigid's	Anne & Lynn Jones
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Sunday Praise

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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 £ 848.05
Non Gift Aid £ 459.16
Total £ 1307.21
S/O month av. £ 807.50

Christ the King
Gift Aid £ 477.72
Non Gift Aid £ 378.47
S/O weekly av. £ 374.46
Total £ 1230.65

Please send items to 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, Brian Bermingham, Maureen Carroll, Sian Clark, Mary Clarke, Win Collins, Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Jennifer Ellis, Emily, Anna Forrest, Jane Goldsworthy, Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Joseph (Benny) Lynch, Dean Maguire, Katrina Meades, Vernon Morgan, Sarah Morris, Niamh Murphy, Maureen O'Driscoll, Kieran Ollin, Alan Paines, Rona Perry, Valentino Rascon, Cath Rees, Claire Richards, Pat Roberts, Adela Rogers, Peter Scott, Dewi Thomas, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.