

3 Churches News

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All Saints

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DON'T WASH THAT HAND!

One Saint and two Blesseds – that's my tally of holy hands that I have shaken. Pope St John Paul II was canonised recently, and I shook his hand and exchanged a few words back in 1990 on our first September Pilgrimage. Blessed Mother Teresa was beatified a few years back – and I shook her hand in about 1977, when accompanying her to Rome airport in our seminary minibus. She threw me – as saints do – when I asked her to pray for me, by asking the same of me. And finally, Pope Blessed Paul VI was beatified a week or two ago - and I met him, shook his hand, received a book, had a little chat (and a few photos), just after I was ordained in 1978. So – one saintly hand and two blessed ones... so far.

On the Feast of All Saints we celebrate those people who have been "raised to the altar". They have been proclaimed as certainly having lived a profoundly Christian life and now receiving their heavenly reward. But we also, of course, celebrate those many, many "unproclaimed" saints that I hope we all have met.

Our 3 Churches here bring to twelve the number of church communities where I have served as a priest. I could not begin to count the number of deeply holy people I have had the privilege to meet. From some of the so-called most deprived areas of Wales, to leafy English country towns, to cosmopolitan Ottawa, capital of Canada - and now to the leafy northern suburbs of Cardiff, the people of God often live out their Christian calling in a way which we can only call saintly. Coping with incredible adversity or simply living out marriage or family life, taking their faith into public life no matter the cost, or humbly serving others unnoticed and unacclaimed – it is going on all around us.

So on this Feast of All Saints, give thanks for the saints that you have known, and maybe *you* could find some way of affirming someone today who is following Jesus so clearly. If they are indeed doing that, they will probably be the last person to want attention – so be simple and brief. Saints don't like attention!

Fr Matthew



Response to Psalm **Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!**



1st Reading: Apocalypse 7: 2-4. 9-14 2nd Reading: First Letter of St John 3: 1-3 Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12

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Father's News

NOVEMBER

Today is the Feast of **All Saints**, so **All Souls** moves to Monday. Please note that next Sunday, will be celebrated as the feast of the **Dedication of St John Lateran** Basilica, the Pope's cathedral in Rome. **Memorial books** are available in all 3 Churches, and Masses will be celebrated for those who are named in them. There are also activities at the **Cornerstone** in Charles Street appropriate for November – pick up a flyer.

CHARLES WHITEHEAD AT ST BRIGID'S

Charles Whitehead, a leading figure in Catholic spirituality and teaching, and former Chairman of the International Catholic Charismatic Office in Rome, speaks on **Saturday 8 November**, at a **Day of Renewal** at St Brigid's. After Mass at 9.30am, 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**, that begins with Rosary at 7pm. Fr Matthew will celebrate Mass at 7.45 and then Charles will speak on the Call to Holiness.

EVANGELIZATION

A steering group is now meeting to further the process started earlier this year, and is making progress on three possible projects. Watch this space!

50 YEARS OF BLESSING

On Monday 1st December Archbishop George Stack will join us at St Brigid's in celebrating 50 years since his predecessor Archbishop Murphy blessed the new church. **Mass at 7.30pm** will be followed by refreshments in the Hall. All are welcome from the 3 Churches. Invite former parishioners too!

The **competition** for younger parishioners is still running – packs at the back of church.

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.

SUNDAY PRAISE

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

NOVEMBER: THE MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

On Wednesday 5 November, the Cornerstone will be "open to the public" from 11am to 2.30pm as a place of reflection for anyone who feels conscious of bereavement. Drop in at any time during these hours to find a warm welcome. Refreshments will be available.

The next 3 Churches Baptism preparation course will take place on Tuesdays 4 & 11 November at 7pm in St Brigid's Presbytery (please note both sessions must be attended). If you would like to attend the course please contact Cath (c.wieser@btinternet.com)

Annual Fair Trade Sale

Park End Church Hall
Rhydypenau Crossroads
Saturday 15 November
10am – 4.30pm

Social @ Christ the King Parish Quiz Night

In The Parish Centre
On Saturday 15 November
7.30pm for 8pm
Admission £7.50 inc fish & chips
bring your own bottles
Names on list at
rear of Church please
or ring Peter Charles
(2065 1046)

Date for Your Diary

The Ty Mawr Carol Evening with musicians from the Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama will be held on **Friday 12 December**. Proceeds will go to Seeds for the Future.

The next C.W.L. coffee morning will take place at St. Paul's after the 09.30 mass on Friday 7 November. Proceeds will be for C.W.L. charities.

CWL Christmas Dinner

The C.W.L. annual Christmas dinner will be on Tuesday 9 December at Cardiff Golf Club, 7 for 7.30pm. Cost for three courses plus tea/coffee with mints is £22. Any ladies who are interested in coming please contact Barbara Cole (2048 2334) or Chris John (2054 1524)

9.30 mass at Christ the King on Tuesday 4 November, will be offered for the deceased members of the 3 Churches and in particular those who died last August.

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FILM NIGHT AT ST BRIGID'S
'WALKING ON SUNSHINE'
(set to the music of hit songs
from the 80s)

Saturday 8 November
7.30pm (Doors open 7pm)
Licensed Bar
Tickets (£5 to include a
Ploughman's Supper)
available after Mass or please
telephone 2076 6318

Other events

Conscientious Objectors – World War One in Wales with Aled Eirug

Chair of the British Council in Wales
The Great War was not met with
universal enthusiasm in Wales.

Those who opposed most strongly
were the conscientious objectors
who objected on religious and
political grounds, Aled Eirug now
tells their story.

**Thursday 6 November, 7.30pm
at City United Reformed Church,
Windsor Place, Cardiff, CF0 3BZ
£5 on the door**

Aled Eirug has formerly served as
BBC Wales's Head of News and
Current Affairs (1992-2004), as well
as constitutional adviser to the
National Assembly for Wales (2006-
2011).

**Please remember the deceased
members of the 3 churches whose
anniversaries occur in November
including:**

David Cunliffe, Joan
Jansen, Rita Carmichael, Peter
Sexton, Karen Sweeny, Marian
Connolly, Kathleen Bowley, Evan
Davies, Brian Smith, Tudor Griffin,
Veronica Davies, Patricia Morley,
Ethna Doherty, Peter Kavanagh, Nora
Coakley, Nance Lewis and Christopher
Taylor.

Christ the King

Altar Linen
November: M Welsher

"50 Club" Winners

October 2014
1st Prize £30
Margaret Gorrige
2nd Prize £20
Pat Donovan
3rd Prize £10
Mary Rundle

TRAIDCRAFT

A selection of Christmas cards will
be available in the parish centre
every Sunday after 8.30 and
10.30am Mass.

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 after this weekend.
Thank you.

Baptism

This weekend we welcome Sienna
Dany Hancock, Amelie Marcelle
Elizabeth Hancock and Harry John
Alexander in Baptism. Please pray
them and for their parents and
godparents.

LINK

The next edition of LINK will be
available in the first week of
December. Don't forget to send your
Christmas greetings asap to:
mark.cherime@talktalk.net or
j.v.rendle@talk21.com. Donations
for greetings will be given to a local
charity. Thank you.

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?

St Brigid's & St Pauls

CAFOD FAMILY FAST

The final total of donations in the
recent Harvest Fast Appeal for
CAFOD from St Paul's and St
Brigid's was **£1296.76** which
includes **£139** in Gift Aid claims.
Again, we thank you for your
continued support.

MONDAY MORNING PRAYER

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

Parish Advisory Council Meeting

The next PAC meeting will be on
Monday 3 November. Any
parishioner who has an item they
would like to be included on the
Agenda please see Stephen Jones
(Chair) or any member of the PAC.

Shoebboxes for Romania

Many thanks to all who donated
Shoebboxes for Romania, 34
shoebboxes were received (complete
with postage), with a further £55 in
donations in lieu of boxes. A special
thanks to the C.W.L who packed &
wrapped an impressive 15 boxes.
If anyone missed last weekend's
deadline, please take them to Christ
the King before Sunday 9th
November and Vicky Adshead will
be only too happy to forward them to
'Link to Hope'.

Sunday November 2nd All Saints

6pm	St Paul's	Maria Alessio	
6.30pm	C the K	Dolores Meehan (C Bailey)	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	Danny, Bill & John Callaghan	All Saints
9am	St Paul's	Julia & Jim Kent (John)	
10.30am	St Brigid's	People of the Parish	
10.30am	C the K	Mr & Mrs Keane (M Gannon)	
12 noon	C the K	Baptism: Sienna Dany Hancock, Amelie Marcelle Elizabeth Hancock & Harry John Alexander	
6pm	St Brigid's	Holy Souls	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Sunday Praise	
Mon. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Dec'd Carey Family	
9.30am	C the K	Deceased members of the Callus Family (M & F Callus)	
Tues. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Kandara Family Int	St Charles Borromeo
9.30am	C the K	Deceased members of the 3 Churches	
Wed. 9.30am	St Paul's	Kandara Family Int	
7.30pm	C the K	Intention of Adela Rogers and Family (C Bailey)	
Thurs. 9.30am	C the K	Tony Crowley (M Crowley)	St Illtud
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Altar List	
Fri. 9.30am	St Paul's	Bernard Conway	
9.30am	C the K	Intention of Adela Rogers (Halloran Family)	
Sat. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Dec'd Daley Family	

Sunday November 9th Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

6pm	St Paul's	Altar List	
6.30pm	C the K	Rita Hall (J Hall)	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	Keith Warner (B Theeswaran) Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	
9am	St Paul's	Julia & Jim Kent (Chris)	
10.30am	St Brigid's	Tom Sherry	
10.30am	C the K	Intention of the Ridgway Family (L Bicker)	
6pm	St Brigid's	People of the Parish	
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 £ 904.90
Non Gift Aid £ 443.66
Total £ 1348.66
S/O month av. £ 807.50

Christ the King
Gift Aid £ 559.66
Non Gift Aid £ 693.28
S/O weekly av. £ 374.46
Total £ 1627.40

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, John Reardon, Cath Rees, Claire Richards, Pat Roberts, Adela Rogers, Peter Scott, Dewi Thomas, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.