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Sunday November 9th 2014 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (YEAR A)Issue 42/14

A SEAT FOR THE BISHOP

Today we celebrate an unusual feast – the **Dedication of the Lateran Basilica** in Rome. The Lateran Basilica, better known as St John Lateran, is the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome, better known as the Pope. So the feast is really one of the Pope, of the unity and catholicity of the Church gathered around our bishops who, in turn, gather around the Pope. But what is a cathedral?

It surprises visitors to Rome to discover that the great St Peter's in the Vatican is *not* a cathedral. That is because many people have the mistaken idea that a cathedral is simply a big church. In fact, it takes its name from *cathedra*, a Latin word for a seat from the Greek *kathedra*. At his installation each bishop is seated on a special chair that becomes a symbol of his leadership and service to the Church. The chair is often decorated or on a rather grander scale than your usual sort of chair! So the cathedra gives its name to the building where it is located. So, on the whole, there is just one cathedral church in each bishop's diocese or area. So, as Bishop of Rome, the Pope's cathedral is St John Lateran.

Our archbishop has his cathedra in St David's cathedral in Charles Street. That's just behind Marks and Sparks for those who have never visited! Make a visit and you will see a grand oak chair located just to the right of the main altar. The use of this is reserved to the Archbishop, and so priests celebrating Mass use another, smaller one. You will see him on it at the Chrism Mass and other occasions when he presides there.

St John Lateran dates way back to the fourth century, but St David's only to the 1880's, and it became a cathedral in the early twentieth century. Naturally, the history of the Church in South Wales goes back much further than that – to the mists of the Celtic age, and for nigh on a thousand years the cathedral of the Bishop in our area was at Llandaff, where it still stands. It's being looked after by our Anglican friends... but that's another story.

Fr Matthew



Response to Psalm The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place where the Most High dwells.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord,
for my name to be there for ever. Alleluia!



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Father's News

NOVEMBER

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.

EBOLA EMERGENCY APPEAL

There will be a retiring collection after each Mass next weekend 15th and 16th November for the national emergency appeal. Your generous support to this vital appeal will be greatly appreciated.

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.

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!

SUNDAY PRAISE

There will be no Sunday Praise this weekend. The gatherings for praise and worship, teaching and sharing, resume next Sunday 7.30pm.

RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fathila Safar Matloub whose funeral takes place at St Brigid's this Thursday at 11am. We offer our prayers and condolences to her family.

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.

Mass of Remembrance for supporters of CAFOD

Please join us at the Metropolitan Cathedral of St David, Cardiff on Sunday 16 November at 5:30pm to commemorate all those who have touched our lives and made the world a better place. If you would like a loved one remembered during this special Mass, please contact southwales@cafod.org.uk or call 2034 4882 to include them in our book of remembrance.

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)

Confirmation

Confirmation has been booked for the 4 & 5 June for Christ the King and St Brigid's respectively. We shall be taking names in the New Year. Should you have any queries please contact Charlotte Mathews on 078006 47516 or charlotte.mathews@hotmail.co.uk

Volunteers Needed

Care for the Family's charity shop has now been open for 6 months on Whitchurch Road (13 Whitchurch Road, CF14 3JN). It's been a great start! However we would love some more volunteers. Have you a few hours / half a day / a day you can spare to assist us? Please call Lesley on 2081 5898 or 07823 344469 or email CharityShop@cff.org.uk if you want to know more. Or pay a visit, introduce yourself and grab some bargains while you are at it!

Advent Adventure

The Family Life Commission & Parenting Support Worker present an Archdiocesan Advent Adventure on Sunday 30 November from 1.30pm onwards at St. Aloysius Parish Hall, Chestnut Way, Gurnos, Merthyr CF47 9SB. This will be an afternoon of free craft activities and ideas for celebrating Advent as a family, parish or individually--something for all ages. For more information contact Joanne White (2036 5964) or email:

www.rcadc.org.co.uk/parenting

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Archdiocese of Cardiff
Commission for Christian Unity
Fiftieth anniversary of the Decree
Unitatis Redintegratio
(The Restoration of Unity) on
21 November 2014

The Archdiocesan Commission for Christian Unity has published a small book, entitled 'Towards Christian Unity', to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the promulgation of Unitatis Redintegratio (The Restoration of Unity- the Decree of the Second Vatican Council on Ecumenism). This book which can be photocopied, is now available for downloading from the diocesan website

http://www.rcadc.co.uk/christianunity-commission.html

The Commission hopes this bilingual book will be useful for personal prayer and reflection and a help to groups in their discussions and prayer together – especially for local 'Churches Together' and' Cytûn' groups.

9 hours of Eucharistic Adoration
Praying for the unborn and their families
St David's Cathedral Cardiff
9am – 5.30pm
Mass at 12.45pm
Benediction at 5.30pm
Thursday 13 November 2014

OPEN WEDNESDAYS

Every Wednesday during November the Cornerstone will be open to all from 11am - 2.30pm as a place of reflection for anyone who feels conscious of bereavement. Trained bereavement support volunteers will be on hand and refreshments will be available.

This newsletter was edited by Luke Todd (2014)

Other events

Choral concert featuring Burry

Port Male Voice Choir & soloists
Monday 1 December
at the Hippodrome Theatre,
Lake Road West, Cardiff
starting at 6.30pm
(arrivals from 5.45pm)
In aid of
Llanishen Good Neighbours
Free Admission, donations

Christ the King

invited and raffle. Buffet

Altar Linen

November: M Welsher

Sandwiches

Sandwich making for the homeless takes place in the parish centre this Monday 1.15pm. All welcome.

Family Mass

The 10.30am Mass on Sunday 30 November (the First Sunday of Advent) will be a family Mass. If any child or young person would like to take part please contact Marie O'Brien (2075 3771) email: marie.peter@btinternet.com

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

MONDAY MORNING PRAYER

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

ST BRIGID'S HALL

We are lucky to have a lovely facility in our Hall or Parish Centre, and we are glad that it is hired out very regularly. We need a volunteer to handle these bookings, a task which need not take up very much time. If you could help, please contact Fr Matthew or leave a message for Anne Sherry on extension 4 at the Presbytery.

SERVICE AT ST PAUL'S

To keep a church going a variety of responsibilities need to be carried out. At present St Paul's needs people to help with a) the flowers to decorate the Church b) cleaners to keep it looking at its best and c) sacristans to join the team of those who prepare for our services and look after everything that is used. If you could help, let Fr Matthew or one of the helpers know, or pop into the sacristy after Mass to find out more.

PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION 2015

Application forms for the 2015 preparation classes are now available at the back of both of the churches. These should be returned to the Presbytery by December 19 2014.

Children in Year 3 or above are welcome to take part. Further information is available from Philippa Widnall (2048 1351) or email pipcole@btinternet.com

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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

Please send items to luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk by Wednesday afternoon at the latest!

People of the Parish

Sunday Praise

6pm St Brigid's

7.30pm St Brigid's

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.

Last Week's Collection

 Sts. Brigid & Paul

 Gift Aid
 £
 542.00

 Non Gift Aid
 £
 440.76

 Total
 £
 982.76

 S/O month av. £
 807.50

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