

3 Churches News

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CRACKING ON FOR KRAKOW

Archbishop Stack has recently encouraged us all to be thinking about the next World Youth Day, which takes place in Krakow, Poland in 2016. You probably saw the amazing sights from Rio de Janeiro last year – be part of it in 2016!

It may seem a long way ahead, but time rushes on. Our diocese is determined to send a good number of young people to Krakow, and already preparation is in full swing. The Archbishop has officially launched the Registration for World Youth Day. Now full information can be found on the diocese's WYD website - www.Cardiff2Krakow.org - where you can pick up the latest information for spiritual and practical preparation for WYD, as well as the registration form that you need to fill in.

I would like to draw the attention of all young people in our 3 Churches to this, and personally inviting you to be part of this great event and adventure. Spaces for the diocesan pilgrimage are limited. I appeal to you or anyone in our parishes or school communities who would like to participate.

I want to see our Churches represented in Krakow, and I'm sure that our parish councils would be prepared to support in any way we can, including financially. So log on, find out and sign up – crack on for Krakow!

Reflect A prayer for today and for the week:

Lord Jesus,
John prepared a way for you in the wilderness of Judea.

As we journey through the weeks of Advent,
show us the wilderness of our own lives.

Move us to respond to John's call –
to repent
to change our ways
and turn back to you.

Help us make straight our paths
and find the ones which lead to you.

Be with us Lord in this time of watching and waiting
And teach us how to open our hearts to welcome you.



Fr Matthew



Response to Psalm **Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Prepare a way for the Lord.**

Make his paths straight, and all mankind shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!



1st Reading: Isaiah 40: 1-5. 9-11 **2nd Reading:** Second Letter St Peter 3: 8-14 **Gospel:** Mark 1: 1-8

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Father's News

ADVENT AT 3 CHURCHES

Celebrate Come to Mass during the week...

Reconcile In addition to normal times for Confession "The Light is On" during Wednesdays in Advent. This Wednesday it takes the form of our Advent **Penitential Service** 7.00pm at Christ the King.

Call in St Paul's and St Brigid's are open most of daylight. Christ the King now open Fridays 6.30-7pm during Junior Youth Club

Read Read your "Walk with me" booklet.

Log on to "Made for Glory" daily Advent videos at

www.youtube.com/user/madeforgloryuk or "Sacred

Space" at www.sacredspace.ie

CHRISTMAS AT 3 CHURCHES

Carol Service Monday 22 December 7pm at St Brigid's

(corrected from last week) Bring your friends!

Christmas Eve Mass at 6.00pm at **all 3 Churches**. Mass at 10.00pm at St Brigid and Christ the King.

Christmas Day Mass 9.00am at St Paul's, 10.00am at Christ the King, and 10.30 at St Brigid's.

CALLING ALL CATECHISTS

A special evening is planned for Monday 12 January for all those involved in preparing parishioners for the Sacraments – Baptism, RCIA, First Reconciliation and Communion, and Confirmation. At the start of a new year we aim to deepen our own faith and the sharing of it with others, enabling us to plan for the future. Please put this note in your diary. Details to follow.

SUNDAY PRAISE

All are welcome to gather for praise and worship, teaching and sharing, each Sunday 7.30pm at St Brigid's.

Carols at the Ty Mawr

Tickets now available for 'Carols at The Ty Mawr' on **Friday 12**

December. Proceeds in aid of Seeds for the Future. Tickets can be obtained from Celia Bailey, Anne Dean and Brigid Brown. Please support this event, which contributes to the education of children in child-led families.

Walk with Me booklets for Advent are available at the back of the church priced £1 each.

Llanishen Baptist Church Christian Aid Coffee Morning

Saturday 13 Decemeber

10am – 12 noon.

Join us for a cuppa, bacon butties, books, Bric a brac stall, jewellery, cakes, cards & lots of fun.

Advance Notice - You cannot be serious. Lent 2015: An exploration of some objections to Christianity

Churches Together in Llanishen and District are again planning to organise discussion groups during Lent. This year's theme is "You cannot be serious": an exploration of some of the problems raised by critics of Christianity and which often trouble Christians as well, including the existence of God, God's involvement in the world and the problem of evil, the Bible, the Church and the Trinity.

There will be more details and leaflets with application forms available in churches early in the New Year. Applications will need to be returned by Thursday 22 January.

Christmas Film Night

2 Short Films:

A CHILD'S CHRISTMAS IN WALES & THE CHRISTMAS CHOIR

St Brigid's Hall

Saturday 13 December

7.15pm (Doors open 6.45pm)

Tickets £5

(to include Cawl supper)

now available after Mass or

2076 6318

Irish Bingo, Raffle and Bar

All proceeds for

Huggard's Christmas Appeal

There will be Eucharistic Adoration from 9-6pm on Thursday 11 December at St.David's Cathedral for the unborn. There will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 5.30pm. All Welcome

Christ the King

Altar Linen

December: V Graham

Weekday masses at Christ the King

Can you help? The team which serves weekday masses is getting older (average age somewhere around 75). A new rota starts in January & new, preferably younger, members are needed. If you think you might be able to help please contact Fr Matthew or Elizabeth Taylor (2075 1401) for further information.

Please remember the deceased members of the 3 churches whose anniversaries occur in December

including: Leoni O'Hanlon, John McManus, Ray Kennedy, Patricia Thomas, Colin Payne, John Davies, Rachel Sherlock, Josephine Camilleri, Michael Fox, Joan Carne, Max Graham, Louise Fielding and Carmel English.

"50 Club" Winners

November 2014

1st Prize £30

No2 Cath Tucker

2nd Prize £20

No47 Richard Goodwin

3rd Prize £10

No100 Malcolm Ballin

Christmas cards for prisoners of conscience will be available this weekend.

Open Church

This Advent there will be an opportunity to take time out from the Christmas rush and find a moment of peace. Christ the King Church will be leaving its doors open each Friday in Advent between 6.30pm and 7pm.

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

The Christmas Eve Vigil Mass will be a Family Mass. If any child or young person would like to take part, please leave your name and contact number on the list at the back of the church or contact Marie O'Brien (2075 3771) email marie.peter@btinternet.com

Christmas Flower Collection

There is a collection for Christmas flowers after all Masses on the weekend of 13/14 December. Thank you for your generosity.

Sandwich making for the homeless will take place in the parish centre on Monday 8 December at 1.15pm. Any new volunteers will be most welcome.

Poinsettias

As usual we hope to decorate the area surrounding the crib with poinsettias. If you would like to remember a loved one by donating a poinsettia please leave them in the porch before the 24 December

Please note that because of the Penitential Service, Mass at Christ the King on Wednesday will be at 9.30am

If you are a reader, Eucharistic Minister or welcomer and are able to take part in your ministry at one of our Christmas masses, please add your name to the sign-up sheet which is on the notice-board on the left-hand side of the porch as you leave the church.

For the past two years Seeds for the Future and Leaves of Hope have received the benefit from the 50 Club. The PAC now invite nominations for organisations/charities that we can support for the next two years. Previous beneficiaries can re-apply for further support. Please contact Chris Stevens or any member of the PAC

Due to several resignations, the PAC is currently short of 4 members. We will be holding elections to the PAC in the new year, and would welcome volunteers/nominations for these positions. Please consider taking on one of these roles which are vital to the continuing success of the Parish

St Brigid's & St Pauls

R.I.P.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Hugh Stokes, nephew of Gabrielle Stokes, whose Requiem takes place on Thursday 2pm at St Brigid's.

We offer our condolences to the family. eternal rest grant to him, Lord.

50 YEARS OF BLESSING

We are very grateful to all who helped to make our special Mass and celebration last Monday such a success. We extend our thanks to all those who have been involved this autumn. We might give a special mention to: the Parish Council and steering group, and individuals who have led in the different aspects such as Anne Burns and teams for the liturgies and the Social Group's refreshments, Ansti Corellis for children's involvement, David Mclees and John Burns for the two booklets, Anne Sherry for the lunch at the New House, not forgetting Judith Williams for the fine new oak sanctuary furniture. To you and many others – our heartfelt thanks.

There will be a collection for Christmas flowers in St Brigid's and St Paul's after all masses next weekend. Thank you for your support and generosity.

MONDAY MORNING PRAYER

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

Finance & Maintenance

The next meeting of this committee will be in the Presbytery on Wednesday 10 December 8.30pm.

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.

Sunday December 7th 2nd Sunday of Advent

6pm	St Paul's	Len Perry	
6.30pm	C the K	Intention of Hilary & Mike Tracey (A Culbertson)	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	Pat Worthington (J Worthington)	2 nd Sunday of Advent
9am	St Paul's	Int Mena Sharkey (Black)	
10.30am	St Brigid's	Daw Family Int	
10.30am	C the K	Private Intention (F)	
6pm	St Brigid's	Elwyn Helyar	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Sunday Praise	
Mon. 9.30am	C the K	Maria Alessio (D & M Bryon)	Immaculate Conception of Our Lady
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Brendan Black	
Tues. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Int Clair Hawes (Daley)	St John Roberts
9.30am	C the K	Whitely (Kirby Family)	
Wed. 9.30am	St Paul's	Margaret & Sandy Edie (Mary)	St Damasus
9.30am	C the K	Martin Archbold (B Theeswaran)	
7pm	C the K	Penitential Service	
Thurs. 9.30am	C the K	Private Intention (F)	Our Lady of Guadalupe
2pm	St Brigid's	Requiem: Hugh Stokes	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Thomas Prosser	
Fri. 9.30am	St Paul's	Shelagh Powell (Brian)	St Lucy
9.30am	C the K	Intention of Angela Williams (L Williams)	
Sat. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Simon Thomas	St John of the Cross

Sunday December 14th 3rd Sunday of Advent

6pm	St Paul's	Shelagh Powell (Mary)	
6.30pm	C the K	Intention of Terry Culbertson (A Culbertson)	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	David Scanlan (D Scanlan)	3 rd Sunday of Advent
9am	St Paul's	People of the Parish	
10.30am	St Brigid's	Gordon Cormack	
10.30am	C the K	Luis Urtiaga (A Davies)	
6pm	St Brigid's	Elwyn Helyar	
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 £ 595.15
Non Gift Aid £ 442.53
Total £ 1037.68
S/O month av. £ 807.50

Christ the King
Gift Aid £ 614.16
Non Gift Aid £ 393.58
S/O weekly av. £ 361.20
Total £ 1368.94

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, Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Emily, Anna Forrest, Jane Goldsworthy, Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Joseph (Benny) Lynch, Dean Maguire, Charles McDevitt, Katrina Meades, Vernon Morgan, Sarah Morris, Maureen O'Driscoll, Kieran Ollin, Alan Paines, Rona Perry, Valentino Rascon, John Reardon, Rhian Reardon, Cath Rees, Claire Richards, Pat Roberts, Adela Rogers, Peter Scott, Dewi Thomas, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.