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Fr Matthew and Fr Tomy wish all our parishioners, friends and readers a very Happy and peaceful Christmas, and a blessed New Year.



REFLECTION

Lord God, enlarge our hearts with love for you.
Make us capable of saying 'Yes' to you, as Mary did.
May we, like Mary,
accept with trust the changes you call upon us to make;
embrace with confidence the destiny you place before us,
and eagerly walk new paths with your Son.
Give us a readiness to make real the love you have for all,
especially those who have forgotten the touch of love in their lives.
Touch them, so that they, too,
may welcome you this Christmas time.

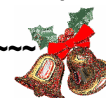
~~~~ Fourth Sunday of Advent (Sunday 21 December 2014) ~~~~

Response to Psalm I will sing forever of your love, O Lord.  
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! I am the handmaid of the Lord:  
Let what you have said be done to me. Alleluia!**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Samuel 7: 1-5. 8-12. 14.16 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: St Paul to Romans 16: 25-27 Gospel: Luke 1: 26-38



~~~~ The Holy Family (Sunday 28 December 2014) ~~~~



Response to Psalm He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his covenant forever.
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son. Alleluia!**

1st Reading: Genesis 15: 1-6. 21: 1-3 2nd Reading: Hebrews 11: 8, 11-12. 17-19 Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40

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Father's News

NEWSLETTER

Please note that this newsletter covers two weeks. Note also the later times for Mass on 26th December and 1st January.

CHRISTMAS AT OUR 3 CHURCHES

Carol Service Monday 22nd December 7.00pm at St Brigid's. Mince pies to follow - bring your friends!

Christmas Eve Mass at 6.00pm at all 3 Churches. Mass at 10pm 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.

KRAKOW 2016

The next **World Youth Day** is at Krakow, Poland in 2016. Let's be part of this great event by sending young people from our 3 Churches. Information and the registration form are on the diocese's special WYD website - www.Cardiff2Krakow.org Log on, find out and sign up!

Eucharistic

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration during the festive period. Adoration will recommence w/c 5 January 2015

Adoration

A big thank you from Seeds for the Future (Lesotho) to everyone who supported the Carols at the Ty Mawr last week. The evening raised £605 (with some more pledged)

Rainbow of Hope

A huge thank you to all those who have contributed this year. The next time our Rainbow of Hope Team goes out will be on 28 December. If you would like us to collect hot items, e.g. sausage rolls, pies, pizza etc, please call 2076 5077 or if you need containers returned.

Thanks to all who supported the Christmas Film Night at St Brigid's- £500 was raised for Huggard's work at Christmas.

Christ the King

Altar Linen

December: V Graham

January: L Davies

We are still short of welcomers and Eucharistic ministers for 10pm and 10am Christmas Masses. If you can assist add your name to the list in the porch.

Parking

Parking space in the church car park at the 6pm Vigil Mass will be limited, and priority given to those who are disabled. There will be additional parking available in the Wolf's Castle Pub car park.

6pm Vigil Mass

The capacity of the church is 400 (to include standing). Mass will be relayed in a video screen in the parish centre where there is space for an additional 120 people. Once

the church is full, the welcomers will invite people to sit in the parish centre. Please would those who wish to sit together, arrive together. The church will be open from 5pm, and those children taking part in the mass are asked to arrive by 5.15.

10pm Vigil Mass: There will be Christmas carols from 9.30pm.

10am Mass Christmas Morning

There will be an opportunity for the children to be involved in the mass.

Christmas Eve help

If anyone can help with setting up the Parish Centre for the Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve, in particular putting the chairs out, please come at 10am on Wednesday morning.

Children attending the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass are invited to wear nativity costumes if they wish.

50 Club

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

Parish Advisory Council - New members needed

The PAC is short of 4 members. Elections are in the New Year, and we welcome volunteers/nominations for these positions. Please consider taking on one of these roles

Social at Christ the King

Recent Donations... £75 Children's Charity in India (per Fr Tomy)
£75 Health & Poverty Action providing healthcare and education in painfully poor countries like Afganistan, Burma Somaliland

Diary Note: Saturday 24 January 2015 - A Taste o' Burns

Other events

Parish Office

Please note the CTK Parish office will not be open after Christmas until Friday 2 January. If you have any urgent messages please contact St Brigid's presbytery.

Mass Times

Please be aware of changes to Mass times. Mass on Friday 26 December will be at 10am. Also Mass on Thursday 1 January will be at 10am. There is no Mass here on Monday 29 December or Friday 2 January

UCM Christmas Raffle

1st Prize: Pauline Driscoll (159)
 2nd prize: Jeanne Gillbard (189)
 3rd prize: Clare Bell (206)
 4th prize: Pauline Robinson (227)
 5th prize: Pauline Robinson (238)
 Total proceeds = £300
 Total raised during 2014 for our charities: £1,228.

Petition Book

Letters for parishioners who have agreed to pray especially for those who have asked for prayers in the petition book are available at the back of the church.

The next sandwich making for the homeless is in the parish centre on Monday 5 January at 1.15pm.

St Brigid's & St Pauls

R.I.P.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Mary Saunders** whose Requiem Mass takes place at St Brigid's this Tuesday 22nd December at 10.30am, and **Joe Pike**, whose Requiem will also be celebrated at St Brigid's Tuesday January 6th at 12 noon. We extend our prayers and condolences to their families. *Eternal rest grant to them Lord.*

Sunday December 21st Fourth Sunday of Advent

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| 6.30pm | C the K | Intention of Angela Williams (L Williams) | |
| 8pm | St Brigid's | David & Tim Cole | |
| Sun. 8.30am | C the K | Keith Warner (L Barry) | 4 th Sunday of Advent |
| 9am | St Paul's | Len Perry | |
| 10.30am | St Brigid's | People of the Parish | |
| 10.30am | C the K | Jim Marshall (O'Brien) | |
| 6pm | St Brigid's | Mathew Jones (Taylor) | |
| 7.30pm | St Brigid's | Sunday Praise | |
| Mon. 9.30am | St Brigid's | Josie Camilleri | |
| 9.30am | C the K | Maureen Mitchell (S & D Mitchell) | |
| 7pm | St Brigid's | 3 Churches Carol Service | |
| Tues. 9.30am | C the K | Tony Welsh & deceased members of the Morgan & Welch families (G Welch) | St John of Kanty |
| 10.30am | St Brigid's | Requiem: Mary Saunders | |
| Wed. 9.30am | St Paul's | Leszek Slowikowski | Christmas Eve |
| 6pm | St Brigid's | Children of the Parish | |
| 6pm | St Paul's | People of the Parish | |
| 6pm | C the K | Vigil Mass for Christmas: Children of the Parish | |
| 10pm | St Brigid's | People of the Parish | |
| 10pm | C the K | Christmas Mass: Pat Worthington (Flower arranging group) | |
| Thurs. 9am | St Paul's | John & Norma Pathy | Christmas Day |
| 10am | C the K | Christmas Mass: People of the Parish | |
| 10.30am | St Brigid's | Tom Sherry | |
| Fri. 10am | St Paul's | Len Perry | St Stephen |
| 10am | C the K | The Rogers Family (A Rogers) | |
| Sat. 9.30am | St Brigid's | Heulen McLaughlan (Catrin) | St John the Apostle |

Sunday December 28th The Holy Family

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| 6pm | St Paul's | Juliet Hodge (Monica) | |
| 6.30pm | C the K | Rita Hall (J Hall) | |
| Sun. 8.30am | C the K | Patrick & Bridie Theeswaran (B Theeswaran)
Holy Family | |
| 9am | St Paul's | People of the Parish | |
| 10.30am | St Brigid's | Families of the Parish | |
| 10.30am | C the K | Reg Gilbard (J Gilbard) | |
| 6pm | St Brigid's | Mr Thomas (Saban) | |
| 7.30pm | St Brigid's | Sunday Praise | |
| Mon. 9.30am | St Brigid's | Sister Kathleen Brown and Nancy Hanssen (B Brown)
St Thomas Becket | |
| Tues. 9.30am | C the K | Thanksgiving for birth of a granddaughter (Crowley Family) | |
| Wed. 9.30am | St Paul's | Deceased of 2014 | St Sylvester |
| 7.30pm | C the K | Charles & Ann McDevitt (A Rogers) | |
| Thurs. 9.30am | C the K | All souls in purgatory especially deceased members of FOSS (M & T Pinnell) | Mary, Mother of God |
| 7.30pm | St Brigid's | Available | |
| Fri. 9.30am | St Paul's | Jania Stalmaska | Sts Basil & Gregory Nazianzen |
| Sat. 9.30am | St Brigid's | Holy Souls | |

Sunday January 4th Epiphany

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| 6pm | St Paul's | Bridget & Bernard Davey | |
| 6.30pm | C the K | Intention of Angela Williams (L Williams) | |
| Sun. 8.30am | C the K | Rose & Michael Halloran (M & L Halloran) | The Epiphany |
| 9am | St Paul's | Len Perry | |
| 10.30am | St Brigid's | People of the Parish | |
| 10.30am | C the K | Leoni Hanlon (J Gilbard) | |
| 6pm | St Brigid's | Available | |
| 7.30pm | St Brigid's | Sunday Praise | |



Please send items to luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk by the afternoon of 31 December at the latest!

PRAYERS

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

Bernard Adshead, Keith Allen, Mary Amugan, Brian Birmingham, 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.

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Eucharistic Adoration

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**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 £ 600.15
Non Gift Aid £ 510.59
Total £ 1110.74
S/O month av. £ 807.50

Christ the King
Gift Aid £ 512.92
Non Gift Aid £ 404.51
S/O weekly av. £ 357.20
Total £ 1274.63