

3 Churches News

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OUR LADY IN CARDIFF

Have you ever wondered why St Mary's Street is so called? Have you even realised that one of Cardiff's main streets is dedicated to the Mother of God? I'm not sure what she thinks of it now – especially on weekend evenings...

Many will know that the reason for the street's name is the fact that the original (ie Catholic) parish church of Cardiff was called St Mary's. It was located down the far end, roughly where Wetherspoon's/The Prince of Wales is now. For several hundred years in the Middle Ages it was served by Benedictine Monks from Tewkesbury Abbey in Gloucestershire, founded by the original (Norman) lords of Cardiff.

Unfortunately it was built very close to the river Taff, which flowed much closer to the town then, roughly where Westgate Street is. Slowly, over the centuries, first the churchyard and then the church itself were swept away by the river. By now, of course it was in the hands of the Anglicans, and St John's had become the main church of the town.

When the St Mary's church was rebuilt, it was located further south in Bute Street, where it still stands, known as St Mary the Virgin. William Wordsworth was commissioned to write a sonnet to fundraise for it! If you go inside the church, at the back you will find a plaque with a list of the parish priests going back into those medieval times. When I was pp down at St Cuthbert's in the early 80's, and enjoyed good relations with the vicar, I used to pull his leg – but with a more serious glint in my eye – that, er, the line of succession went a bit haywire around the 16th century!

So next time you are in St Mary Street spare a thought for our Catholic forbears who celebrated the Mass and sacraments there – and perhaps say a prayer to Our Blessed Lady for the city, as she must have a special place in her heart for anywhere that dedicated its main church to her.

Fr Matthew



Response to Psalm **You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.**
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.**
Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!



1st Reading: Acts 9: 26-31 **2nd Reading:** 1 John 3: 18-24 **Gospel:** John 15: 1-8

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Father's News

FR TOMY

Fr Tomy will be with us briefly for the next fortnight until 18th May before returning to India to continue and hopefully conclude his dealings with the school authorities there.

ACTA – A CALL TO ACTION

The next meeting is at the Pastoral Resources Centre behind St Illtyd's School on Newport Road at 7.00pm on Tuesday 5th May 2015. All are welcome. Information from Frank Callus of St Peter's parish – fbcallus@aol.com or Mobile: 07956 005459

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

These will take place at 10.30 Masses in both St Brigid and Christ the King next Sunday. A second group in Christ the King will then follow on 17th May. Please remember all the children in your prayers.

OUR LADY AT PENRHYS...

The annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Penrhys will take place on **Sunday 10th May**. The Pilgrimage starts at 2:00pm in Ferndale at the statue of Our Lady on the hill. At about 2:45 Holy Mass will be celebrated in SS. Gabriel and Raphael Church, 13 Trinity Road, Tonypany, CF40 1DQ. Refreshments after Mass. All welcome.

...AND AT BELMONT

The Annual Torchlight Procession in honour of Our Lady takes place at Belmont Abbey on Wednesday 13th May beginning at 9pm. Bookshop open from 2pm. Vespers at 6pm. Food and drink available in Hedley Lodge from 6.30pm.

...AND AT CARDIGAN

Welsh National Pilgrimage Sunday May 17 led by **Bishop Brignall** of Wrexham. 1.30 Confessions 2.30 Procession 3.00 Mass followed by Tea 5.30 Blessing of Sick and Benediction. Info Rev Phil Harries 01239 612615 or cardiganshrine@yahoo.com

WELSH-ENGLISH PRAYER BOOK

A Celebratory Bilingual Mass and Reception takes place on Friday 22 May 6.00pm at St David's Cathedral, Cardiff, followed by Reception and Launch of the new Welsh-English Simple Prayer Book at the Cornerstone. Further information from Sue Roberts (01758 614977 sue@inc-cyf.com Croeso i bawb – everyone welcome.

FOUND in M&S Llanishen car park, a pretty red glass bead rosary. Telephone 2076 3963 to claim it.

CWL

This year's Catholic Women's League annual outing will be on Thursday 11 June going to Corsham in Wiltshire and including a guided tour of Corsham Court. Price to include coach travel and entrance to Corsham Court is £27 p.p. Any one who would like to go please contact Chris (2054 1524) or Bridget (2048 5713).

Dates for diary – Christian Aid Week 10th – 16th May 2015

Saturday 9 May: 9am-12 noon Christian Aid Week Plant etc. sale at Llanishen Baptist Church.
Sunday 10 May: 6pm United Service at St. Isan Church .
Tuesday 12 May: 10- 11.30am Book Sale & Coffee Morning, at St Faith Church

Nazareth House Fundraising Committee Presents
AN EVENING WITH FRANK HENNESSY AND GUEST
At Nazareth House Colum Rd
On Wednesday 20 May at 7.30pm
Tickets £13 (to include a free drink) available from Nazareth House (2022 0943)

St. John the Baptist Parish Church
Saint John Street/Church Street,
Cardiff City Centre CF10 1GJ
Saturday 23 May 1pm
Piano & Organ Recital
in aid of Iraqi Christians in Need (ICIN) supporting refugees in Northern Iraq (played by Carl Bahoshy; UK-born Roman Catholic pianist & organist of Iraqi Catholic parents)

FREE ADMISSION- RETIRING COLLECTION

Works by Boëllmann, Chopin, Messiaen, Schubert, Vierne & Widor
None of us remains untouched by the plight of Christians and other minority groups in Iraq and Syria. Iraqi Christians In Need (ICIN) is a UK-registered charity founded in 2007 that provides direct financial relief to displaced refugee families under the care of the Catholic Chaldean, Syriac and Orthodox churches in Erbil, northern Iraq. Current economic priorities include the procurement of medical aid & shelter. All aid is channeled through Bishops of the churches
www.icin.org.uk
Charity No: 1119427

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Other events

Proclaim the Good News!
Mark 16 v. 15
Catholic Renewal Conference
21-23 August
University College of Wales
Trinity St. David
Carmarthen CF31 3EP

We are so blessed to have as our speakers this year, Fr. Matt Anscombe and Ged Farrell who have great ministry in teaching, prayer and praise. Why not come to this wonderful event, which will deepen your faith and enrich your prayer life? Join us to worship the Lord, to pray for our needs, and to learn more about the Good News that Jesus proclaimed. The weekend is friendly and informal and will give you the opportunity to mingle with others who share your faith, with inspiring talks and uplifting prayer and praise in the beautiful surroundings of the College.

For a booking form, please contact Mrs P. Williams, 42 Mur Gwyn, Rhiwbina, Cardiff CF14 6NR
Tel: 2061 7374, e-mail: patriciamary1950@gmail.com
or go online to the NSC website- www.ccrw.org.uk

Conference fee: £125 per person. Minimum deposit per person booked is £30.
This includes accommodation and all meals from Friday evening meal at 5pm through to Sunday afternoon.

Street + Community Choir

The Street+ Community Choir will be meeting on Thursdays at 7pm in Llanishen Methodist Church. Interdenominational, men and women of all ages, no auditions, music from madrigals to pop. No fees (except music purchase at about £6 for a July concert). All welcome.

REMEMBERING AN GORTA MÓR

There will be a gathering at the Wales Famine Memorial at Cathays Cemetery on Sunday 10 May at 12noon for a Minute's Silence in remembrance of all those who died in the Irish Famine

Christ the King

Altar Linen

May: Valerie Graham

"50 Club" Winners

April 2015

1st Prize £25

Cheryl Evans

2nd Prize £20

Gemma Ward

3rd Prize £15

Anne McDevitt

Mass Changes

The normal Mass schedule resumes this week except that there is no 9.30am Mass on Tuesday as the Requiem Mass for Pat Roberts will take place at 10.30am.

First Holy Communion

First communion masses at Christ the King will take place on Sundays 10th & 17th May at 10.30am. Please remember the children and their families in your prayers.

Candlelight and Quiet

Do nip in for a minute of quiet candlelight on a sunlit Friday evening.

Christ the King church is open every Friday, term time, 6.30-7.00pm. This is to give us the chance to catch, just a moment to ourselves. Please tell your friends and family; it's for everyone, and really worth trying

Christian Aid Week 10th – 16th May

Envelopes are now available at the back of the church for delivery anytime this week or next, but, to be collected only during week of 10th – 16th May. The heartbreaking situation in Nepal highlights the need for us to help Christian Aid raise funds for their work in poorer countries especially in times of disaster. So please just bear a few hours for these street collections. What we collect may seem small, but it is gratefully received. Thank you.

Petition Book Letters

Letters for parishioners who pray especially for those in the petition book are available at the back of the church. Please take yours as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Help required with Church Cleaning

Due to increasing age and declining numbers, the Church Cleaning Group is in urgent need of new members. No special skills are necessary and there is no lower age limit for volunteers. Could you spare one to one and a half hours every five weeks to help keep our church looking spic-and-span? If so, please contact Helen Stevens on 07967 353658, or email helen.stevens1@btinternet.com

St Brigid's & St Pauls

First Holy Communion

Ella, Grace, Hannah, Jessica, Joseph, Lucy and Phoebe will make their First Holy Communion in 10.30 am Mass at St Brigid's on 10 May. Please remember them in your prayers this week.

Sunday May 3rd 5th Sunday of Easter

6pm	St Paul's	Helen Lawrence (Cole)	
6.30pm	C the K	Intention of Sheila & Bart O'Brien (M Murphy)	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	Olga Macklenburgh (M & L Halloran)	
9am	St Paul's	Mary & Denis Daley	
10.30am	St Brigid's	People of the Parish	
10.30am	C the K	Rob & Vera Loughran (E Taylor)	
6pm	St Brigid's	Alfred & Eileen Williams	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Sunday Praise	
Mon. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Elwyn Helyar	
9.30am	C the K	Sick & Housebound of the Parish	
Tues. 10.30am	C the K	Requiem: Pat Roberts	St Asaph
2.30pm	St Paul's	Hanratty Fam (Daley)	
Wed. 9.30am	St Paul's	Anne Dowling	
7.30pm	C the K	People of the Parish	
Thurs. 9.30am	C the K	Pippa Cotterill (F)	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Holy Souls	
Fri. 9.30am	St Paul's	Shelagh Powell	
9.30am	C the K	All souls in purgatory especially deceased members of FOSS (M & T Pinnell)	
Sat. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Int. Claire Hawes (Daley)	

Sunday May 10th 6th Sunday of Easter

6pm	St Paul's	Michael Nicholls	
6.30pm	C the K	Intention of Michael Hanley & Family (O'Brien)	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	Agnes & Graham Lush (C Lush)	6 th Sunday of Easter
9am	St Paul's	Peter Fearby (Coulthard)	
10.30am	St Brigid's	Ints First Holy Communion Children	
10.30am	C the K	Celebration of First Holy Communion	
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 £ 622.50
Non Gift Aid £ 560.08
Total £ 1182.58
S/O month av. £ 846.77

Christ the King

Gift Aid £ 470.02
Non Gift Aid £ 441.57
S/O weekly av. £ 414.96
Total £ 1326.55

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:

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