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SUMMER HOLY-DAYS

If you look up the word "holiday" in a certain online source-of-all-knowledge you will find this: "The intention of a holiday was typically to allow individuals to tend to religious duties associated with important dates on the calendar." Yes, the idea of a holiday has its origin in religion, as we can see from its two halves holi- and –day.

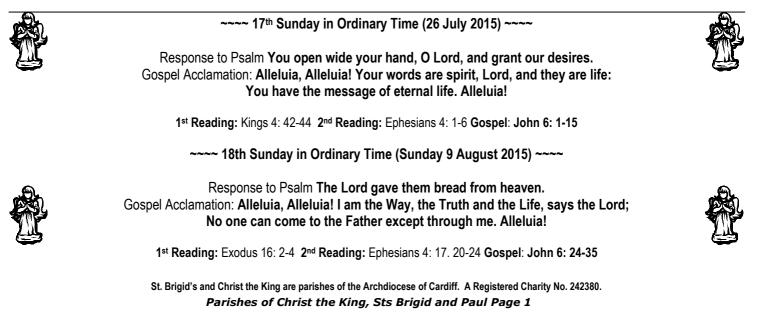
So as we get into the traditional summer holiday part of the year, we could pause a moment to remind ourselves that there is a spiritual dimension to the concept. I suppose we could connect the idea of an annual rest to that of a weekly one - a kind of yearly Sabbath - and that, of course is based on the Book of Genesis telling us that even God took a break after the mighty and somewhat exhausting task of creating everything.

Through most of history, the only type of holidays the average working person got was precisely religious ones. The idea of state, or Bank, holidays is a lot later. In some countries the link between state and church holidays is still much stronger than here in Britain where the Whitsun holiday got disconnected from Whitsun or Pentecost. We still have Christmas and Good Friday, though – at the moment...

So make sure this summer that you try to get some rest for your soul as well as your body. Don't fill up your time with busy-ness. If possible, make sure you have time for just being as well as doing. Visit somewhere quiet and inspiring, maybe an old church or ruined abbey – we have plenty around. Find a nice view or a quiet corner... give time for your soul to breath.

Enjoy the summer - and may your holidays truly be holy-days!

Fr Matthew



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Father's News

NEWSLETTER

Please note that this newsletter covers two weeks.

WEDNESDAY WORD

Fr Matthew gives the "Wednesday Word" on Radio Wales 29th July at approx. 3.25pm

VESPERS AT TINTERN

An ecumenical celebration of Evening Prayer on Sunday 6th September 2015, 3pm. Speaker : Madeleine Gray. Please bring a folding chair. Entry to the Abbey is free for those attending the service. Lunches and teas are available in the Village. Organised by the Friends of Our Lady of Tintern, with kind permission of CADW

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration in Christ the King and St Paul's will rest for the summer following w/c 20 July. Adoration will continue in St Brigid's on Thursday evenings from 8-9pm following 7.30 Mass

UCM Strawberry Tea

This event realised £479.83 for our two charities. Sincere thanks to all who attended and to those who, though unable to attend, kindly gave a donation. Your support is very much appreciated.

9.30 Mass at Christ the King on

<u>Tuesday, 4th August</u> will be offered for the deceased members of the 3 churches.

Praying for our Neighbours Please remember in your prayers this week our neighbours in Cheshire Close and Blue House Road who have received prayer cards in the last few days.

Time to Chat

The Bereavement Support Group will not be holding a 'Time to Chat' drop-in session in August. The next session will be on Saturday 5 September from 10.15 in St Brigid's Hall. If anyone would like support from the group - whether their bereavement is recent or not - we can be contacted through St Brigid's Presbytery or Christ the King Parish Office or by emailing <u>bereave-</u> <u>mentsupport@3churches.org</u>

<u>CWL</u>

The Catholic Women's League monthly meeting takes place on Monday 27 July at St. Paul's at 2pm. The next C.W.L. charity coffee morning takes place on Friday 7 August after the 09.30 mass at St. Paul's. Proceeds are for our charityof-the-year The Medaille Trust which helps people being trafficked into this country.

Help Needed

Christ the King is responsible for organising and running the monthly service for residents of Thomas House (Cartref) Care Home on Station Road on <u>Sunday 9 August</u> <u>at 3.30pm</u>. This is part of our contribution to the work of Llanishen Churches Together. We need a group of 6 to 8 people - including musicians. If anyone from the 3 churches is able to help with this important work of outreach to our local community please contact Elizabeth Taylor tel 2075 1401.

Other events

Annual Llantarnam Abbey Weekend

Advance notice that the date is Friday 16- Sunday 18 October. To reserve a place please contact Norbert Flynn Tel. 2075 7387 Mobile 07971972058

Christ the King

Parish Office

CTK parish office will be closed from Monday 27 July to Monday 10 August. Please contact St Brigid's presbytery if you have any urgent messages.

Petition Book

Letters for parishioners who have agreed to pray especially for those in the petition book are available at the back of the church. Please pick yours up asap.

Poems and a glass will take place in the parish centre, this Sunday 26th July at 7.30pm. All welcome.

<u>Funeral</u>

Please pray for Cath Tucker, daughter of May and John Foley who died last week. Cath's funeral will take place at the Wenallt chapel Thornhill on Friday 31 July at 12.30pm

Baptism

On Sunday 2 August we welcome Max Evans in baptism. Please pray for Max and his parents and godparents as they support him on his faith journey.

Please remember the deceased members of the 3 churches whose anniversaries occur in August including: Robert Winchester, Jack Crowshaw, Anthony Watson, Pat Rayson, Peter Cousins, Judith Castro, Betty Murphy, Pamela Morley and Matthew Jones.

Christ the King

Quiet Candlelight

Christ the King Church will not be open for quiet candlelight on Friday evenings after the 17th July but will open once again on Fridays from the 4 September at the **NEW TIME** of 6.00pm-6.30pm. We are in need of volunteers to join the rota for opening Christ the King Church on a Friday between 6.00pm and 6.30pm. You will only ever be needed, at most, once a month and your support would be hugely appreciated. Opening the doors like this gives an opportunity for people to call into the church in an informal way and offers the chance for a quiet and peaceful moment. If you can assist please contact Helen Mc Sherry on 07720 053 999, you will be helping so much in making this happen. Many thanks.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will restart on TUESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER.

JUNIOR CLUB – NEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Junior Club is in need of some new volunteers if it is to continue. If you think you could give up a couple of hours on a Friday evening once a month during term time, please contact Marie O'Brien on 07753 439567 or email

marie.peter@btinternet.com Thank you.

St Brigid's & St Pauls

<u>St Paul's</u>

As you are aware, there is no Saturday evening 6pm Mass in St Paul's during July, August and September 2015. Ministers from the 6pm Mass may wish to minister at the Mass they attend in the Parish and should leave their name and telephone number in the Sacristy where they attend. All the Saturday evening Sacristans have agreed to be rostered in with the Sunday morning 9am Mass. Copy rosters are available in St Paul's Sacristy. Any concerns please contact Hugh Mc Manus 2075 6062

PARISH EVENT ST PAUL'S 40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Wednesday 7 October 2015 Mass at St Paul's at 6.30pm followed by Anniversary Dinner at Cardiff Golf Club. Sherborne Ave., Cvncoed 7.30 for 8pm. £25 Dinner Menu/Booking Form available after 9am Mass at St Paul's and 10.30am Mass at St Brigid's or contact Barbara Cole (2048 2334) or Anne Burns (2076 6318)

SAFEGUARDING AT ST PAUL'S

Following our recent appeal for volunteer(s) for the role of Safeguarding Officer, Pat Williams has been appointed to the post for St Brigid's. The Archdiocese prefers to have an officer for each church, so we are still appealing for help in St Paul's. If you would like to know more, please contact Fr Matthew or Angela Ciriello for information.

Sunday July 26th 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time				
Sat. 6.30pm	C the K	Mary Brown (B Brown)		
Sun. 9am	St Paul's	Julia & Patricia Daley	17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9am	C the K	Pat Roberts (M Moore) & All Souls in purgatory especially deceased members of FOSS (M & T Pinnell)		
10.30am	St Brigid's	Grandparents' Ints (Feast of	Sts Anne & Joachim)	
6pm	St Brigid's	People of the Parish		
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Sunday Praise		
Mon. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Holy Souls		
Tues. 9.30am	C the K	Augustine Rodrigues (I Rodri	gues)	
Wed. 9.30am	St Paul's	Thanksgiving	St Martha	
Thurs. 9.30am	C the K	Mary Cronin (A Cronin)	St Peter Chrysologus	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	Len Perry		
Fri. 9.30am	St Paul's	Vocations to Religious Life	St Ignatius Loyola	
Sat. 9.30am	St Brigid's	Available	St Alphonsus	

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Mon. 9.30am St Brigid's Available St Germanus	Primary School Acting Headteacher
Tues. 9.30am C the K Deceased of 3 Churches St John Vianney	Mrs R Woodward
Wed. 9.30am St Paul's Vocations to the Priesthood Dedication of St Mary Major	2075 4787 Corpus Christi
Thurs. 9.30am C the K Augustine Rodrigues (I Rodrigues)	High School Acting Headteacher
7.30pm St Brigid's The Sick of the Parish Transfiguration	Mrs A Thomas
Fri. 9.30am St Paul's Available St Sixtus II	2076 1893 St David's College
Sat. 9.30am St Brigid'sLen PerrySt Dominic	Principal
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6.30pm C the K Reg Gilbard (S Cunningham)	Safeguarding Representatives
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	@hotmail.co.uk
	Eucharistic Adoration Eucharistic Adoration will continue in St Brigid's on Thursday evenings from 8-9pm following 7.30 Mass.
	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!	Last Week's Collection
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, Bobi Gower, Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Joseph (Benny) Lynch, Dean Maguire, Charles McDevitt, Katrina Meades, Fr Modest, Vernon Morgan, Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, Maureen O'Driscoll, Kieran Ollin, Alan Paines, Rona Perry, Rita Purcell, Valentino Rascon, John Reardon,	Sts. Brigid & Paul Gift Aid £ 608.00 Non Gift Aid £ 563.89 Total £ 1171.89 S/O month av. £ 846.77 Christ the King Gift Aid £ 383.10 Non Gift Aid £ 330.34 S/O weekly av. £ 381.16 Total £ 1094.60

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