

3 Churches News

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A GREAT GREGORY

St Gregory the Great, was Pope from 590 to his death in 604. He was born in about 540 into a wealthy Rome family. His father served as a Senator and became Prefect, the highest civil office in the city, and his mother was Silvia, also honoured as a saint. It was a period of upheaval when the plague caused famine, panic, and rioting. In some parts, over 1/3 of the population was wiped out. Totila sacked Rome in 546, but an invasion of the Franks was defeated in 554. After that, there was peace, except that the central government now resided in Constantinople.

Gregory was well educated, and became a government official, advancing quickly to become, like his father, Prefect of Rome at 33 years old. Yet on his father's death, Gregory converted his family villa into a monastery dedicated to St Andrew (but now rededicated to St Gregory himself). In 579 the Pope chose him as his unwilling ambassador to the imperial court in Constantinople.

He was elected Pope in 590, and re-energized the Church's missionary work, especially among the non-Christian peoples of northern Europe. He is famous for sending a mission, under Augustine of Canterbury, prior of Saint Andrew's, to evangelize the pagan Anglo-Saxons of England. He had never forgotten the English slaves whom he had once seen in the Roman Forum.

He made a revision of the liturgy of the Mass. For example, he established the nine "Lord have mercy" at the beginning of Mass, added material to the Eucharistic Prayer and moved the Our Father to its current position. Gregory is the only Pope between the fifth and the eleventh centuries to leave a large number of writings, including several books, many sermons and 854 letters. The main form of plainchant was attributed to him, so took the name of Gregorian chant, but was in fact only standardized in the late 9th century.

Gregory was the first to make use of the title "Servant of the Servants of God". He is known for his charitable relief of the poor. He believed that the wealth belonged to the poor and the church was only its steward. These and other good deeds won the hearts and minds of the people, who started to look to the papacy for their government. Gregory is commonly credited with founding the medieval papacy, and many attribute the beginning of medieval spirituality to him. He was declared a saint immediately after his death by popular acclamation and we celebrate his feast on 3rd September.

Fr Matthew



~~~~ 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~~~~



Response to Psalm **The just will live in the presence of the Lord.**  
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life:  
You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Deuteronomy 4: 1-2. 6-8 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** St James 1: 17-18. 21-22. 27 **Gospel:** Mark 7: 1-8. 14-15. 21-23

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### Father's News

#### SUNDAY PRAISE

After a short summer break our Sunday evening prayer meeting resumes this Sunday. We usually start with a period of lively praise leading us into quieter worship, usually with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. A talk, reflection or activity takes us through to final praise followed by tea, coffee and good fellowship in the Hall. Why not give it a try – you might be surprised!

#### VESPERS AT TINTERN ABBEY

Ecumenical celebration of Evening Prayer next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2015, 3pm. Please bring a folding chair. Entry free for those attending the service. Lunches and teas are available in the Village.

#### PRIMARY AGE CHILDREN'S CATECHISTS

If you help with First Communion, Children's Liturgy, or help children engage with their faith in any other way, you are invited to the first annual forum for Primary-Age Catechesis in our diocese. Meet other catechists doing similar work, browse resources, and hear a presentation from a leading catechist in this field. No charge, and tea and coffee will be provided. Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2 – 4 pm at the Pastoral Resources Centre, or 10-12 at St Mary's Parish Bridgend, or Friday 11<sup>th</sup> at Abergavenny 7-9pm

#### Praying for our Neighbours

Please remember in your prayers this week our neighbours in **Tedder Close (part of), & Llangranog Road (part of)** who have received prayer cards in the last few days.

#### PROCLAIM 15

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, invites you to a day of reflection and preparation for the work of building missionary parishes. The event will be at St David's College, Ty Gwyn Road, Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00 am. Prayer, discussion, workshops, guest speakers on the issue of the New Evangelisation. Booking forms available in all Mass centres to be returned as soon as possible. Find out more at: [tinyurl.com/P15CF-info](http://tinyurl.com/P15CF-info)

#### Baptismal Course

The next two week Baptismal Course will take place at St. Brigid's sacristy on Tuesdays 8 & 15 September, at 7pm. Please email or telephone Ann Martin, (2075 6300) [martins07@btinternet.com](mailto:martins07@btinternet.com) or Catherine Wieser, (2075 5085) [c.wieser@btinternet.com](mailto:c.wieser@btinternet.com) to arrange attendance or should you need further information.

#### Listen to my Word

Once a month on a Friday evening, a group of parishioners from the 3 Churches gather in the Lady's Chapel at CTK church. With the help of Canon Matthew, we focus on a small section of the Gospel of St Luke. Our next meeting is on Friday 4 September at 6.30pm in the Lady's Chapel at CTK and we shall be focusing on Luke ch 9, 1-17. Please come along and join us. Should you need more information, please contact Esther Mahoney [esther.milardi@btinternet.com](mailto:esther.milardi@btinternet.com)

#### Time to Chat

The 3 Churches Bereavement Support Group invites anyone who has been bereaved - whether recently or some time ago - to come along to its regular drop-in session. The next one is on Saturday 5 September from 10.15 in St Brigid's Church Hall. If you or anyone you know (they don't need to be a member of the 3 churches) would like to come for a tea/coffee and a chat, you will be very welcome. For further information please contact Fr Matthew, the Christ the King Parish Office or any member of the Bereavement Support Group or email us at [bereavement-support@3churches.org](mailto:bereavement-support@3churches.org)

**9.30 Mass on 1st September at Christ the King will be for the deceased members of the 3 Churches, particularly those who died in June.**

#### CWL

The next Catholic Women's League monthly charity coffee morning will take place on Friday 4 September after the 09.30 Mass at St. Paul's. Proceeds will be for CLAPA, the Cleft Lip and Palate Association.

#### S.P.U.C. ----URGENT

If you have not already done so, please ask your M.P. To vote against the Rob Marris ASSISTED DYING BILL on 11th September. (This really means assisted suicide). This could cause fear and worry for the elderly, sick and disabled. Address to write to with your M.P's name is:  
House of Commons,  
Westminster,  
London.  
SW1A 0AA

**This newsletter was edited by Luke Todd (2015)**

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### Harvest

Quiet Garden reflection— a half hour of prayer and silence for Autumn at the Quiet Garden (Llanishen Methodist Church) on Tuesday 6 October. Tea and coffee served from 10.30am for an 11am start. For further information about the Quiet Garden programme contact Neil and Lesley (2075 3715) or Judith (2076 6073)

### **One World Week 18-25 October**

This year's theme is- Hope in Action, inspiring a culture of hope to build a more equal and peaceful world.

Saturday 18 October. One World Week service at Llanishen Methodist Church 6pm

Saturday 24 October. Bring & share lunch with L'Arche at Christ the King Parish Centre 1-3pm All welcome. RSVP [gabriela.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:gabriela.todd@yahoo.co.uk)

## Christ the King

### **Mass Changes**

Please note there will be a Wednesday evening Mass this week at 7.30pm.

### **Poems & a Glass**

Poems and a glass will take place in the parish centre, this Sunday 30 August at 7pm. All are welcome.

### **Lay Ministries**

From next Sunday 6 September, the Ministries of Welcoming, Word & Eucharist at the 9:00am Mass will be carried out by ministers on the existing 8:30am rotas.

### Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy restarts again in September at the earlier time of 9am. For more information, please contact Esther

[esther.milardi@btinternet.com](mailto:esther.milardi@btinternet.com)

### **Quiet Candlelight**

Christ the King Church will be open for quiet candlelight on Friday evenings from 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 McSherry on 07720 053999, you will be helping so much in making this happen. Many thanks.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### R.I.P.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Beatrice Adoh of Cyncoed Road, whose Requiem takes place at St Brigid's on Thursday at 1.00pm. We remember her husband and family in our prayers.

### **SAFEGUARDING AT ST PAUL'S**

Fr Matthew writes: It is very disappointing that we are still appealing for a safeguarding officer for St Paul's. This is mandatory in the Church in England and Wales, and I am sure there are individuals who have the time and ability to help us keep St Paul's a safe community. Training is available. If you would like to know more, please contact Fr Matthew or Angela Ciriello for information.

### 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., Cyncoed

7.30 for 8pm

£25

**Please note that today (30 August) is the final day for returning Dinner Menu/Booking Forms and payment**

Any further enquiries please contact

Barbara Cole at St Paul's

(2048 2334)

or Anne Burns at St Brigid's

(2076 6318)

### ST BRIGIDS CHURCH

Due to change of circumstance we now need more help in cleaning the main part and porch of the church. At the moment it is cleaned every week by the same volunteers, if enough people come forward a rota could be set up. Contact 2075 6137 / 2076 3969

### PARISH LITURGY GROUP

The next Parish Liturgy Group meeting will take place this Tuesday 1 September at 7.30pm in the Hall.

All parishioners are welcome to attend. (Anyone unable to attend but would like an item included on the agenda please telephone Anne Burns - 2076 6318 or email

[anne@e-ctg.co.uk](mailto:anne@e-ctg.co.uk))

**Send your newsletter items to: [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) and if you would like to be included on the mailing list to receive an e-version of this newsletter, please contact the same address.**

**Sunday August 30<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|               |             |                                                                                                    |
|---------------|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat. 6.30pm   | C the K     | <b>The Culbertson's Family Intentions (A Rees)</b>                                                 |
| Sun. 9am      | St Paul's   | <b>Len Perry</b> 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time                                          |
| 9am           | C the K     | <b>Mary Cronin (A Cronin)</b>                                                                      |
| 10.30am       | St Brigid's | <b>Int Faye Thomas</b>                                                                             |
| 6pm           | St Brigid's | <b>Mathew Jones</b>                                                                                |
| 7.30pm        | St Brigid's | <b>Sunday Praise</b>                                                                               |
| Mon. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Children of the Parish</b>                                                                      |
| Tues. 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Deceased members of the 3 Churches</b>                                                          |
| Wed. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>Pauline McCarthy</b>                                                                            |
| 7.30pm        | C the K     | <b>Charles &amp; Emily Wright (S Peat)</b>                                                         |
| Thurs. 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Intention of Pat &amp; Dennis Donovan's Diamond Wedding (B Theeswaran)</b> St Gregory the Great |
| 1pm           | St Brigid's | <b>Requiem: Beatrice Adoh</b>                                                                      |
| 7.30pm        | St Brigid's | <b>Pope Francis' Intentions</b>                                                                    |
| Fri. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>Holy Souls</b>                                                                                  |
| Sat. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Len Perry</b>                                                                                   |

**Sunday September 6<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|             |             |                                                                      |
|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat. 6.30pm | C the K     | <b>Catherine Tucker (Murphy Family)</b>                              |
| Sun. 9am    | St Paul's   | <b>People of the Parish</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 9am         | C the K     | <b>Gerard Monagle (S &amp; J McLaughlin)</b>                         |
| 10.30am     | St Brigid's | <b>Available</b>                                                     |
| 6pm         | St Brigid's | <b>Ellen Williams (Culbertsons)</b>                                  |
| 7.30pm      | St Brigid's | <b>Sunday Praise</b>                                                 |



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**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

**Last Week's Collection**

**Sts. Brigid & Paul**  
**Gift Aid** £ 675.00  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 403.08  
**Total** £ 1078.08  
**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

**Gift Aid** £ 377.50  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 284.89  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 389.29  
**Total** £ 1051.68

**Please send items to [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto: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, Chris Babu, 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, Rhian Reardon, Cath Rees, Claire Richards, Adela Rogers, Peter Scott, Dewi Thomas, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.