

3 Churches News

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BLESSING THE DUST

Ash Wednesday by Jan Richardson

All those days you felt like dust,
like dirt,
as if all you had to do
was turn your face toward the wind
and be scattered to the four corners
or swept away by the smallest breath
as insubstantial—
Did you not know
what the Holy One can do with dust?

This is the day we freely say
we are scorched.
This is the hour we are marked
by what has made it through the burning.
This is the moment we ask for the blessing
that lives within the ancient ashes,
that makes its home inside the soil of
this sacred earth.

So let us be marked not for sorrow.
And let us be marked not for shame.
Let us be marked not for false humility
or for thinking we are less than we are

(continues inside...)



~~~~ 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~~~~



Response to Psalm Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.  
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord,  
Because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 6: 1-8 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11

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*(...continued from front cover)*

But for claiming what God can do  
within the dust,  
within the dirt,  
within the stuff  
of which the world is made,  
and the stars that blaze in our  
bones,  
and the galaxies that spiral  
inside the smudge  
we bear.

### Father's News

#### LENT 2016

Next week we will give a full picture of our celebration of **Lent and Holy Week** in this year of 2016. This week, let us all determine to enter this precious season with strong hearts. I invite you to reflect on the front-page meditation, and ask ourselves what can God do with *my dust, my dirt, my stuff...*

#### A LIGHT FOR PEACE

As in recent years, a **Peace Candle** is moving around each of our 3 Churches areas for three weeks at a time. Please sign up for one of the two day slots, and let the light of our Peace Candle inspire you to prayer and maybe challenge you to action.

#### ACTA : A Call to Action

ACTA is an organisation that brings together clergy, religious and laity to discuss issues of common interest and concern. The next meeting of the Cardiff group of ACTA is in **St David's College at 7.00pm Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February**. All are welcome. Further information available from Frank Callus (Jnr) [fbcallus@aol.com](mailto:fbcallus@aol.com) or 07956 005459

**Members of the UCM will be serving pancakes after 9.30 Mass on Tuesday 9 February (Shrove Tuesday).**

#### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

**Why?** To pray for an end to abortion, and for women who may be going in to seek an abortion, as they are victims too. To offer help if anyone asks for it, and to have the contacts and the means to support those who would like to avoid abortion.

**Where & when?** St Mary Street, opposite the abortion facility, from 10<sup>th</sup> February (Ash Wednesday) to 20<sup>th</sup> March (Palm Sunday). Volunteers are needed for an hour between 11.00am and 4.00pm. If this is shared out, no one will find it too much to do.

**Contact** Janet  
[jelthomas@btinternet.com](mailto:jelthomas@btinternet.com)  
or 07901 713077

#### St Brigid's & St Paul's Quiz & Curry Evening

In aid of Tenovus  
Friday 12 February 7.30pm  
£8 (tickets available after Mass or call 2076 6318) Teams of 8 - or come along and join in with others  
Raffle + Licensed Bar

#### Please save the date - CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> May 2016

This year's campaign will be focusing on Bangladesh approximately 43% of people still live in poverty on less than \$1.25 a day (*World Bank's 2010*). Nationally, Christian Aid Week raised around £11M last year. In Llanishen & Lisvane we contributed over £12,000. If you want to get involved, either collecting and/or delivering envelopes, or simply want to enquire what is involved, then please get in touch. (Brigid Brown 2031 7091) Thank you.

#### CONFIRMATION

The enrolment forms for Confirmation are now at the back of all 3 churches. If you wish to prepare for the Sacrament, please fill one in and return it to the back of the church asap. If you have any queries please don't hesitate to call or email me on 07800 647515 or [charlotte.mathews@hotmail.com](mailto:charlotte.mathews@hotmail.com)

Llanishen Baptist Church  
Revelations Present

#### Joseph & The Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat

The YMCA Theatre  
The Walk, Cardiff  
11 & 12 February 7.15pm  
13 February 3.15pm  
All Tickets £6

Any queries - phone Revelations  
2075 3033 / 07551 991100

#### Ignation Retreat

An Ignation Retreat Day has been arranged at St David's Catholic College in Cardiff which will be a Lenten preparation towards the joy of Easter. There will be a talk, an imaginative contemplation with time for personal prayer followed by a coming together to listen to one another. Lunch will be included. The Retreat Day is open to people of all faiths and no faith. In order to book a place please contact The Retreat Giver, Christian Mahoney on 07764 515864. The day is on 27 February and will start at 10:30 am and finish at 3pm. Full advert can be read on page 2 of The Catholic People.

#### Praying for our Neighbours

Please remember in your prayers this week our neighbours in **St Dogmael's Avenue (part of), & Johnston Road (part of)** who have received prayer cards in the last few days.

## Coming soon...

### Fairtrade Fortnight

29 February—13 March

The focus this year will be on **breakfast**. Martin Luther King once said - "Before you finish eating breakfast in the morning, you've depended on more than half the world."

The call this Fairtrade Fortnight is to sit down for breakfast and stand up for farmers.

Visit [www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk) to download action packs and read more about how you can get involved in the campaign for farmers.

### Looking with Luke: a Gospel of Mercy and Joy

The next Scripture Saturday will be on Saturday 20 February at St David's Priory in Swansea. The day will be led by David Beresford, Director of the Catholic Bible School. David in his usual engaging and imaginative way will lead us on a journey through the Gospel of Luke

We will meet on **Saturday 20 February** at 10am-3pm in St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea, SA1 3NG. Please bring a packed lunch. Suggested donation £10. For information see

<http://www.catholic-bible-school.org/event> or email [catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com](mailto:catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com)

## Christ the King

### R.I.P.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Theresa Coffey of St Isan Home. Her funeral will be at Briwnant Chapel, Thornhill, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 3.45pm. *Eternal rest grant to her, Lord.*

### Ash Wednesday

This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Mass will take place at Christ the King at 12.45pm.

### Baptisms

This weekend we welcome Ashling Dawn Owen, Harry Garner and Alexander Peter Kimberly into our parish family as they are baptized. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

### LINK

Time to think about the Easter issue! Perhaps you'd like to share your experience of the changes in our patterns of worship... email if possible as soon as you like to:

[Mark.cherime@talktalk.net](mailto:Mark.cherime@talktalk.net)  
[j.v.rendle@talk21.com](mailto:j.v.rendle@talk21.com)

### Stations of the Cross

A set of Stations of the Cross painted by the artist Thomas Burke in 1943 while a prisoner of war, will be on display in the church during Lent. Justin McCarthy's sister, Marian has lent us these and will be giving a talk about Thomas Burke on 3 March in the Parish Centre. There are leaflets with further information about this at the back of the church.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### URGENTLY REQUIRED

The small team of volunteers that work at the Parish Office at St Brigid's could do with an extra pair of hands or two. A couple of hours alternate weeks should do it, so if you have a bit of spare time and would like to help out, please contact Fr Matthew.

### **Parish Advisory Council Meeting**

The next PAC meeting will be on Monday 8 February. If any parishioner has an item they would like discussed at the meeting, please see or email Nigel Tuck (Chair) - [nigelgtuck@btinternet.com](mailto:nigelgtuck@btinternet.com) or any member of the PAC.

### St Brigid's choir

With the change of mass times parishioners from St Pauls and Christ the King join us for the 11am Sunday mass. If you sing in any of these church choirs please come and sing with us. Don't wait to be asked just come up - all are welcome

### **Internet Safety Seminars**

The Archdiocesan SafeGuarding Office and Family Support Worker are hosting a training session in St Brigid's on Wednesday 2 March 10.30 - 12.30.

Sessions are free of charge and open to all parents/grandparents giving practical advice in children's use of the internet.

Tea and Coffee available for 10am Places are limited to 20 places on a first come first serve basis

If you wish to book a place please contact Martin Mahoney Safeguarding co ordinator [cpo@rcadc.org](mailto:cpo@rcadc.org) or 2036 5960

### LOURDES

If any parishioner is going to Lourdes, either as a sick pilgrim or as a helper, with HCPT or with the Welsh National Pilgrimage, and would like a donation towards their expenses from the Parish Lourdes Fund, please email or write a note of request to Fr Matthew.

**Tea/Coffee served in the hall after the 11.00am mass. All proceeds to the George Thomas Hospice care. Please come and join us.**

**This newsletter was edited by Luke Todd (2016)**

**Sunday February 7<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|        |         |             |                                                                                     |                                         |
|--------|---------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Sat.   | 6pm     | C the K     | <b>Peter O'Brien (Morris Family)<br/>&amp; Charles &amp; Emily Wright (S Peat)</b>  |                                         |
| Sun.   | 9am     | St Paul's   | <b>Cath Rees (Martin)</b>                                                           | 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time |
|        | 9am     | C the K     | <b>Peter O'Brien (M &amp; L Halloran)</b>                                           |                                         |
|        | 11am    | St Brigid's | <b>Thanksgiving Doreen Parker (Stone)</b>                                           |                                         |
|        | 12.30pm | C the K     | <b>Baptisms: Harry Garner, Alexander Peter Kimberly<br/>&amp; Luke James Pullen</b> |                                         |
|        | 6pm     | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                                                         |                                         |
|        | 7.30pm  | St Brigid's | <b>Sunday Praise</b>                                                                |                                         |
| Mon.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Thanksgiving Doreen Parker (Stone)</b>                                           |                                         |
| Tues.  | 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Intentions of Charles &amp; Anne McDevitt (A Rogers)</b>                         | St Teilo                                |
| Wed.   | 9.30am  | St Paul's   | <b>Gwenda Parker (Evans)</b>                                                        | Ash Wednesday                           |
|        | 12.45pm | C the K     | <b>Ash Wednesday</b>                                                                |                                         |
| Thurs. | 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Paul Crowley (Crowley &amp; Green Families)</b>                                  | Our Lady of Lourdes                     |
|        | 7.30pm  | St Brigid's | <b>Len Perry</b>                                                                    |                                         |
| Fri.   | 9.30am  | St Paul's   | <b>Josie Camilleri</b>                                                              |                                         |
| Sat.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Winn Lewis (Tunncliffe)</b>                                                      |                                         |

**Sunday February 14<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**

|      |        |             |                                                                                             |                                |
|------|--------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Sat. | 6pm    | C the K     | <b>Cathy Rees (H &amp; M Tracey)</b>                                                        |                                |
| Sun. | 9am    | St Paul's   | <b>Int Claire Hawes (Evans)</b>                                                             | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent |
|      | 9am    | C the K     | <b>Intention of O'Brien Family (A Rogers)<br/>&amp; Harry &amp; Ann Norris (Liddington)</b> |                                |
|      | 11am   | St Brigid's | <b>Maureen Hill</b>                                                                         |                                |
|      | 6pm    | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                                                                 |                                |
|      | 7.30pm | St Brigid's | <b>Sunday Praise</b>                                                                        |                                |



**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,  
Claire Richards, Adela Rogers, Dewi Thomas, Bev Tumelty,  
Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.

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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**

Friday before/after

9.30am Mass

**Christ the King**

Saturday 5.30pm

**Last Week's Collection**

**Sts. Brigid & Paul**

**Gift Aid** £ 478.50

**Non Gift Aid** £ 469.87

**Total** £ 948.37

**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

**Gift Aid** £ 353.50

**Non Gift Aid** £ 375.02

**S/O weekly av.** £ 300.54

**Total** £1030.06