

3 Churches News

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A LUXURY PRISONER?

During his homily at Mass this past Monday, **Pope Francis** said that the Holy Spirit seems to be a "luxury prisoner" in many Christians' hearts: someone who is welcomed to stay, but not allowed to act or move us forward,

"We keep the Holy Spirit as a 'luxury prisoner' in our hearts: we do not allow the Spirit to push us forward, to move us. The Spirit does everything, knows everything, reminds us what Jesus said, can explain all about Jesus," he said during his Mass at the chapel of Casa Santa Marta in the Vatican.

"While Christians today have a knowledge of the Holy Spirit as part of the Holy Trinity, they do not know what the Spirit's role is in the Church. The Holy Spirit is the one who moves the Church, the one who works in the Church and in our hearts."

The Holy Spirit "frees us from the 'orphan-like' condition which the spirit of the world wants to put us in. The Holy Spirit is the one who "moves us to praise God, to pray to the Lord" and who "teaches us to see the Father and call him 'Father.'"

There is one thing the Holy Spirit cannot do. "The Holy Spirit cannot make us 'virtual' Christians who are not virtuous. Instead "the Holy Spirit makes real Christians. The Spirit takes life and prophetically reads the signs of the times pushing us forward."

Ahead of Pentecost Sunday the Holy Father invited Christians to prepare by opening up our hearts to the Holy Spirit. "This is what we must do this week: think of the Spirit and talk to him."

Catholic News Agency ed. Fr Matthew

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Response to Psalm **Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.**  
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful**  
**And kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 2: 1-11 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Romans 8: 8-17 **Gospel:** John 14: 15-16. 23-26

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## Father's News

### BAPTISM

We welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism this Sunday at St Brigid's Benjamin Richard Thomas. We remember him, his parents and godparents in our prayers.

### UKRAINE

Pope Francis recently asked the whole of Europe to have a collection for the Church and people of our faraway European neighbours in Ukraine. The collection will be **this Sunday**, Pentecost, when we remember the birth or Baptism of the universal Church.

### FEASTS IN MAY

Please remember that the next two Sundays are celebrated as the Following - 22<sup>nd</sup> Trinity Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Corpus Christi. Readers, Intercession writers, music etc please note.

### 3CY - THREE CHURCHES YOUTH

Sunday 15 May

**Team building outside in the sunshine!**

CTK Primary School 6.30—8pm

Bring friends and make friends.

Open to all in yrs 7,8 & 9.

Every Sunday in term time.

[3churchesyouth.wordpress.com](http://3churchesyouth.wordpress.com)

Contact: Helen (07720 053999)

### Praying for our Neighbours

Please remember in your prayers this week our neighbours in **Cilgerran Crescent, Cyncoed Road (part of), & Crystal Wood Road (part of)** who have received prayer cards in the last few days.

### Mid-Summer Tea Party

Sunday 5 June 3 - 5pm in Christ the King Parish Centre in aid of Seeds for the Future (Lesotho) Come and join us for afternoon tea, sandwiches, scones, delicious cakes - to raise funds for the planned boarding hostel for the high school scholars we support in Lesotho. Tickets - £8 adult, donation on the day for children - available after all masses on 21st/22nd & 28th/29th May. Tel 2075 1401 (Elizabeth Taylor) or email [seedsfth@gmail.com](mailto:seedsfth@gmail.com) for further information, to reserve tickets or any offers of cakes.

### Prayers for Peace

Next Friday 20 May 6.15pm at Christ the King (immediately before the 6.30 candlelight half hour) An opportunity to stop for a short time and pray together for peace in our world, our country our community, our lives.

### Quiet Candlelight

Christ the King church will be open for anyone to drop in for a quiet moment every Friday evening between 6.30pm and 7pm

### Open Door Senior Citizens Club

A warm welcome awaits you at Christ the King Parish Centre on Thursday 19 May 2 - 4pm. Music, raffle, refreshments and friendship. Come and join us!

### Corpus Christi Procession Sunday 29 May

There is no Corpus Christi procession through Bute Park this year. There will be a procession at Nazareth House, beginning at the front entrance at 3pm, around the gardens and finishing at the University Church with Benediction and refreshments. All are welcome to join.

### Lunchtime Talk

Tuesday 17 May 1 - 2pm Join CAFOD online to hear Cardinal Bo Myanmar's first ever Cardinal and outspoken voice on human rights, religious freedom and inter-religious peace building in the country. Cardinal Bo will discuss the impact of November's historic general election, the rights of ethnic and religious minorities, and the ongoing peace process in Myanmar. To register visit:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7520543359857290242>

### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> MAY

HELPING THE POOR HELP THEMSELVES!

Last year around £12 million was raised across the UK during Christian Aid Week, with nearly £500,000 of that total raised in Wales. Just a few hours of your time will bring lasting change for communities living in conflict, fear and poverty.

[www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)

**Please pick up a remaining street to help with the effort this year** - see back of Christ the King church or contact Brigid Brown (St Brigid's & St Paul's) 2031 7091

Please support Christian Aid Week's local Churches Together events:

\* Sunday 15 May 6pm

**Christian Aid Week United Service** at Llanishen Baptist Church

\* Tuesday 17 May 10—11.30am

**Book Sale & Coffee Morning** at St Faith's Church.



## Other events

### **Catholic Bible School: Praying the Psalms**

The next event for the Catholic Bible School in Wales is being held on Saturday 28 May at St David's Priory in Swansea. This day, led by Sarah Beresford, will be looking at "Praying the Psalms".

The Psalms are often referred to as the Prayer Book of the Church but how do you pray them and what are they really about? Sarah will help us make sense of the Psalms and try some different techniques of praying the Psalms. A great balance of input and prayer throughout the day should leave us renewed, refreshed and with a greater desire to praise the Lord. Sarah Beresford is the Director of the Catholic Bible School. Sarah is a creative and innovative speaker. She enjoys story-telling and bringing the scriptures to life. She is passionate about people engaging with God's word, especially through the characters we meet in the Bible and the stories they tell. She will help us reflect on what it means to be called by God today.

We will meet on Saturday 28 May 10am - 3pm at St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea SA1 3NG. Please bring a packed lunch. Suggested donation £10.

For more information see

[www.catholic-bible-school.org/event](http://www.catholic-bible-school.org/event) or email

[catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com](mailto:catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com)

### **Concert**

Tennessee Tech University Chorale (from Cookeville, USA) will perform with Llandaff Cathedral Choral Society and Choristers of Cardiff Metropolitan Cathedral.

Sunday 15 May 7 - 8.15pm

St Martin's Church, Albany Road, Roath. Free

### **Festival of Flowers**

Taking inspiration from the encyclical 'Laudato Si' by Pope Francis, St David's Cathedral Cardiff will be hosting a Festival of Flowers from 1-3 July, as part of the Archdiocese of Cardiff Centenary celebrations. Over the course of the weekend some 50+ floral arrangements will be on display through the magnificent architecture of the cathedral. During the festival there will also be arranged organ recitals and singing by the Metropolitan Cathedral choir to enhance the experience.

Entry: adults £4, concessions £3.

## Christ the King

### **Mass Times**

Please note that there will be no morning Mass this Thursday.

### **RIP**

Please pray for Joannes (John) Smits who has died recently. John will be received into Christ the King Church on Wednesday 18 May at 5pm and his Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 19 May at 1.15pm. Please remember all John's family in your prayers.

### **International Honours**

Two of our parishioners, who hail from that little known Welsh enclave of Manchester, have been selected to play for Wales in the forthcoming International Petanque Tournament. Congratulations to Vickie and Bernard Adshead on their selection, good luck in their matches and let's hope they bring home plenty of medals.

### **Parish Advisory Council**

Nominations are invited to serve on the Parish Advisory Council from June 2016 for a period of 3 years.

There are currently 3 vacancies on the PAC plus 1 retiring member making 4 vacancies in all.

Nomination forms are available on the table at the back of Church to be returned not later than Sunday 29 May. In the event that there are more nominations than vacancies an election will take place at Masses on the weekend of 11/12 June. **ALL** parishioners are asked to consider whether they could undertake this valuable work advising the Parish Priest on a range of matters concerning the life of our Parish. Meetings are held approximately 6 times per year, usually on a Tuesday.

**Advance Notice that the AGM will be held on Tuesday 28 June.**

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

**Benjamin Thomas is being baptizeded at St Brigid's this Sunday at 12.30pm. All parish family very welcome.**

### **ST BRIGID'S EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

We now have only 10 Eucharistic Ministers at 11.00am Mass, and use 6 each week, which lays a great responsibility on them, especially taking holidays and sickness into account. This shortage applies to the evening Mass too. I cannot believe that there are not more potential Ministers out there at two of our largest Mass congregations.

**Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> Pentecost**

|        |         |             |                                           |                        |
|--------|---------|-------------|-------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Sat.   | 6pm     | C the K     | <b>Angela Williams (L Lobo)</b>           |                        |
| Sun.   | 9am     | St Paul's   | <b>People of the Parish</b>               | Pentecost              |
|        | 9am     | C the K     | <b>Tina's Family (Tina)</b>               |                        |
|        | 11am    | St Brigid's | <b>Elizabeth Hawkes</b>                   |                        |
|        | 12.15pm | St Brigid's | <b>Baptism: Benjamin Richard Thomas</b>   |                        |
|        | 6pm     | St Brigid's | <b>Holy Father's Ints.</b>                |                        |
|        | 7.30pm  | St Brigid's | <b>Sunday Praise / The Gift</b>           |                        |
| Mon.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Veronica Stenson (Daley)</b>           |                        |
| Tues.  | 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Peter Louis Murphy (Murphy Family)</b> |                        |
| Wed.   | 9.30am  | St Paul's   | <b>Maureen Ryal (Daley)</b>               |                        |
|        | 5pm     | C the K     | <b>Reception: Joannes (John) Smits</b>    |                        |
| Thurs. | 1.15pm  | C the K     | <b>Requiem: Joannes (John) Smits</b>      |                        |
|        | 7.30pm  | St Brigid's | <b>Len Perry</b>                          |                        |
| Fri.   | 9.30am  | St Paul's   | <b>David Cole (Anniv)</b>                 | St Bernardine of Siena |
| Sat.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Int. Confirmation Candidates</b>       |                        |

**Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup> Trinity Sunday**

|      |        |             |                                             |                |
|------|--------|-------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Sat. | 6pm    | C the K     | <b>Billy Chinnick (L Lobo)</b>              |                |
| Sun. | 9am    | St Paul's   | <b>Dec'd Daley Family</b>                   | Trinity Sunday |
|      | 9am    | C the K     | <b>Intentions of Peter Charles (A Rees)</b> |                |
|      | 11am   | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                 |                |
|      | 6pm    | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                 |                |
|      | 7.30pm | St Brigid's | <b>Sunday Praise / The Gift</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, John Campbell, 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, Tessie Stamp, Shaun Stone, 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** £ 604.50  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 545.54  
**Total** £ 1150.04  
**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**  
**Gift Aid** £ 488.02  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 344.59  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 290.54  
**Total** £1123.15