

# 3 Churches News

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**Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (YEAR C) Issue 41/16**

## WHAT'S A CATHOLIC TO DO?

The US election this week is clearly of great importance for the world. I was searching to find a Catholic view on voting for this front page. The American Bishops' own guidelines, entitled "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship", published last year have been accused by some of ignoring Pope Francis's teaching. See for yourself at

[www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship](http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship) I settled for this "outsider's" piece from Fox News

"[A month ago] Pope Francis weighed into the U.S. elections Sunday, urging American Catholics struggling to choose a president to study the issues, pray and then vote your conscience. Francis was asked by reporters on the way from Azerbaijan how he would counsel the American faithful who are being asked to choose between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump. Francis added that he would never interfere in an election campaign, saying "the people are sovereign." "I'll just say this: Study the proposals well, pray, and choose in conscience."

Francis, prefacing his words by saying he was talking about a "fictional situation," appeared to say that the U.S. was among the countries that have lost what he described as a culture of politics. "When in any country there are two, three or four candidates who don't satisfy everyone, it means that perhaps the political life of that country has become too politicized and that it does not have much political culture," he said. "People say 'I'm from this party' or 'I'm from that party,' but effectively, they don't have clear thoughts about the basics, about proposals."

Francis did intervene in the campaign earlier this year when, on his way home from a visit to the U.S. - Mexican border, he was asked about Trump's proposal to build a wall to keep Mexicans out of the U.S. Francis said anyone who builds a wall isn't Christian. Trump fired back, saying it was "disgraceful" for a religious leader to question someone's faith.

Many American Catholics have been struggling to decide between the two candidates over a host of issues that makes each one unpalatable on faith-based and other grounds."

*Fr Matthew*



~~~~ 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday 6 November 2016) ~~~~



Response to Psalm I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Stay awake, praying at all times

For the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man. Alleluia

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2: 16-3:5 Gospel: Luke 20: 27-38

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## 3 Churches

### “LIKE THE FATHER”

*We continue our series on the Spiritual Works of Mercy.*

#### 5. To forgive offences willingly

We are all created in the image and likeness of God, and yet, unlike God, we so often find it difficult to forgive and forget wrongs. Despite our best intentions, we tend to put limits on our forgiveness of others. We are in good company, as St Peter himself once asked Jesus, “Lord how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?” We can imagine Jesus gently and lovingly correcting St Peter, “I tell you, not seven times, but seventy seven times.” We are not told St Peter’s reaction, but we can be sure that he was very surprised at how generous and merciful he was being called to be to others! The words of Jesus resonate throughout time and are addressed to us all in the now of our lives. The only way that we can start to learn how to forgive generously is by seeing things differently. It is only then that real change can begin. Mother Teresa diagnosed a lot of the world’s problems when she said “the problem is that we have forgotten that we belong to one another.” As the Year of Mercy comes close to an end, let us pray for God’s grace to see things differently, and be merciful as the Father to one another.

### Father’s News

#### MERCY FOR A MURDERER?

A talk by Marion Partington, sister of a victim of Fred and Roemary West. At the Mostyn Room (former CTS) at St David’s Cathedral, at 1.30 on Wednesday 9 November. Tickets from [jennyjones@rcadc.org](mailto:jennyjones@rcadc.org)

#### SUNDAY PRAISE

The “Sunday Praise” group invites you to a series of guest speaker evenings at St Brigid’s on Sundays. Gather in café-style in the hall at 7.30 for teaching and/or sharing, leading into a time of praise and worship in church, concluding around 9.30pm. No charge, donations welcome.

Our upcoming speakers are: 6 November - **Alan de Ste Croix**: “The Mass in Scripture”  
13 November - **Sr Marie de Montfort**: Lectio Divina  
20 November - **Kate Duffin**: “The Deeper Meaning of the Eucharist”

#### UCM News

The UCM hold their annual ‘Winter Warmer’ lunch on Saturday 12 November at 12.30pm. Members will be selling tickets after all Masses this weekend. Tickets £5 with **£2 for children on the day**.

#### FR CODY RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr Ted Cody IC, formerly of St Joseph’s who died during the week. His Funeral Mass will take place in St Peter’s, Cardiff on Wednesday 23 November 11.30am

#### Nazareth House

“An Evening with Frank Hennessy” with guest artist Dave Burns on Thursday 10 November, at 7.30pm. Tickets £15 to include first glass of wine & buffet. Contact Nazareth House 2022 0943.

#### 3CY

3CY is back after the half term break. This week’s activities centre around One World Week and include a visit from Jon Matthias from Fair Dos – a fair trade shop in Canton. Coming soon we have a Fair Trade Bake Off, Ice skating trip, and Christmas Party night. Sessions are 6.30 – 8.00 every Sunday during term time in Christ the King Parish Centre. All in Years 7, 8, 9 are welcome.

#### Christmas Preparation Retreat

An opportunity to stop and listen to God’s voice within us - a retreat day of prayer run according to Ignatian Spirituality with two talks, imaginative contemplation, for silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament and group sharing. If you always do what you’ve always done, you will always get what you’ve always got, so why not try something new in your prayer life? The day is open to people of all faiths and none and is free of charge. Lunch will be provided. Saturday 3 December 10.30am - 3pm at St David’s Catholic College. Spaces limited so please book early to avoid disappointment with Christian Mahoney on **07764 515864**. Retreat givers: Christian and Esther Mahoney

#### The Master is coming!

Friday 11 November 6.30pm at CTK we shall meet to reflect on the passage from the Gospel of St Luke 12 (35-59). The meeting is informal and open to everyone wishing to ‘break’ God’s Word together.

### Evangelisation & Education Officer

The Archdiocese of Cardiff seeks a talented organiser & communicator passionate about the Catholic Faith.

The successful candidate will be:

\* Coaching & training small groups of evangelisation volunteers in our diocese.

\* Administering the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies

\* Working with the Welsh Church Schools Association to provide support for their programme to develop faith school leaders

\* Performing administrative & publicity work in support of these tasks & the Adult RE department.

Fixed-Term 3-Year Post from 1 January 2017. Salary c. £23,000 p.a. Applicants should be practising Catholics. Closing date for applications: **Monday 7 November 2016**, (oops!) 6pm. Interviews Monday 21 November. CV and two references (one from the parish priest of the parish where you normally worship) to: Rev Gareth Leyshon, St Philip Evans Presbytery, Llanedeyrn Drive, Cardiff CF23 9UL or electronically to [gareth.leyshon@rcadc.org](mailto:gareth.leyshon@rcadc.org) Further particulars from the same address or call 2073 1061.

### **FILM NIGHT AT ST BRIGID'S**

The next Film Night at St Brigid's will be on Friday 11 November at 7.30pm when we will be showing 'ERIN BROCKOVICH' starring **Julia Roberts and Albert Finney**. Tickets (£6 to include a Fish & Chip Supper) are now available after Sunday Masses or please telephone 2076 6318. Supper and bar profits will go to Fr Tim Greenway's Mission in India.

### **Volunteers Needed**

The Cardiff Food Bank needs volunteers for food collections at Tesco stores at Culverhouse Cross, Western Avenue & St Mellons from 1 - 3 December to cover a 2 hour slot (9-11am, 11-1pm, 1-3pm, 3-5pm) and chat to customers, hand out leaflets & receive food donations. If any parishioners can help/would like further information, contact the Food Bank at [info@cardiff.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@cardiff.foodbank.org.uk) or 2048 4120.

### **Service at Cartref Care Home**

On Sunday 13 November, Remembrance Sunday, Christ the King is responsible for the monthly service at Cartref (Thomas House) Care Home as part of our commitment to the work of Llanishen and District Council of Churches. The service is at 3.30pm and lasts around half an hour. If members of any of the 3 churches can help contact Elizabeth Taylor - 20751401 or [tayleat@gmail.com](mailto:tayleat@gmail.com)

## **St Brigid's & St Pauls**

Tea/Coffee served in the hall after the 11.00am mass. Plus a book sale. All proceeds to the George Thomas Hospice care.

## **Christ the King**

### **RIP**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **John Foley** whose Requiem Mass is on Friday 11 November at 11am. We remember May and her family in our prayers.  
*Eternal rest grant to him, Lord.*

### **"50 Club" Winners**

**October 2016**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize £24**

**Priscilla Quinn [9]**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £20**

**Mo Archer [78]**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £10**

**Dom Bryon [75]**

### **Sick and Retired Clergy Fund**

You will have received an envelope for the Sick & Retired Clergy collection as you came to church today. Return with any donation next weekend & complete gift aid if you're a tax payer.

**On the occasion of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, Julia Churchhouse thanks the parish of Christ the King for 44 years of friendship & care, particular thanks to Eucharistic ministers.**

### **Safeguarding**

After some years of very dedicated service as the Christ the King Safeguarding Officer, Heulwen Egerton is standing down. We are looking for a volunteer to take on this role. Plenty of support from the diocesan Safeguarding offices. Contact Fr Matthew or Heulwen (contact details on back page)

### **Collating & stapling for LINK**

Friday 25 Nov 9.15am in Parish Centre. Send greetings ASAP; donations to Chris Babu Fund - [j.v.rendle@talk21.com](mailto:j.v.rendle@talk21.com); [mark.cherime@talktalk.net](mailto:mark.cherime@talktalk.net)

*Thursday morning Mass led by Year 5 CTK Primary School is at 9.30am*

**Traidcraft Christmas cards on sale in parish centre Sundays after Mass.**

**Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup> 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|        |                    |                                                                                    |                                          |
|--------|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
|        | 6pm C the K        | <b>Peter O'Brien &amp; Thanksgiving Julia Churchhouse 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b> |                                          |
| Sun.   | 9am St Paul's      | <b>Teresa Black (Daley)</b>                                                        | 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time |
|        | 9am C the K        | <b>Intention of Bev Tumelty (R &amp; N Flynn)</b>                                  |                                          |
|        | 11am St Brigid's   | <b>Thomas Anthony Sherry; Franco Filice</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>Peggy Keating (Tunncliffe)</b>                                                  |                                          |
| Tues.  | 9.30am C the K     | <b>Intention of Dom &amp; Maureen Bryon (R &amp; N Flynn)</b>                      | All Saints of Wales                      |
| Wed.   | 9.30am St Paul's   | <b>Teresa Black (Daley)</b>                                                        | Dedication of St John Lateran            |
| Thurs. | 9.30am C the K     | <b>Private Intention (F)</b>                                                       | St Leo                                   |
|        |                    | <b>Led by Year 5 of CTK Primary School</b>                                         |                                          |
|        | 7.30pm St Brigid's | <b>Altar List</b>                                                                  |                                          |
| Fri.   | 9.30am St Paul's   | <b>Cathy Mabbitt</b>                                                               | St Martin of Tours                       |
|        | 11am C the K       | <b>Requiem Mass: John Foley</b>                                                    |                                          |
|        | Sat. St Brigid's   | <b>Int John Phillips (Daw)</b>                                                     | St Josaphat                              |
|        | 9.30am             |                                                                                    |                                          |

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|------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Sat. | 6pm C the K        | <b>Angela Williams (L Lobo)</b>              |                                          |
| Sun. | 9am St Paul's      | <b>Altar List</b>                            | 33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time |
|      | 9am C the K        | <b>Jacques Munro (Munro Family)</b>          |                                          |
|      | 11am St Brigid's   | <b>Bernard Fitzgerald; David James Evans</b> |                                          |
|      | 6pm St Brigid's    | <b>People of the Parish</b>                  |                                          |
|      | 7.30pm St Brigid's | <b>Sunday Praise</b>                         |                                          |

Praying for our Neighbours  
 Please remember in your prayers  
 this week our neighbours in  
**Egremont Road / Dovedale Close**  
**Garrick Drive**  
**St Ina Road, St Cenydd Road**  
 who have received prayer cards in  
 the last few days.

**3 Churches Parish Council Chairs**

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**Sts Brigid & Paul**

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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** £ 741.00

**Non Gift Aid** £ 545.36

**Total** £ 1286.36

**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

**Gift Aid** £ 514.77

**Non Gift Aid** £ 350.56

**S/O weekly av.** £ 305.54

**Total** £ 1170.87

**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, Evelyn Lloyd, Caitriona Lovell, Joseph (Benny) Lynch, Charles McDevitt, Katrina Meades, Fr Modest, Vernon Morgan, Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, Maureen O'Driscoll, Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, Rita Purcell, Valentino Rascon, John Reardon, Claire Richards, Adela Rogers, Tessie Stamp, Shaun Stone, Dewi Thomas, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.