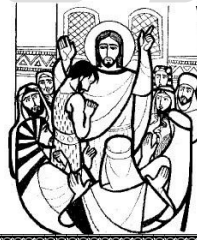


3 Churches News

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Sunday January 28th 2017 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (YEAR B) Issue 04/18

KNOWING CHRIST

"I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord." (Philippians 3:8)

This week we celebrated the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul. From that dramatic moment on the road to Damascus Paul's life would never be the same. And given his effect on Christianity, we can say that the *world* would also never be the same. Yet I find that quotation a bit scary. It's that word "nothing" - it's so absolute. For Paul, there was *nothing* in the whole wide world more important than knowing Jesus. Does this depth of faith seem way beyond *our* possibilities - to truly know Christ?

In the last two Sundays' gospels we have heard about the calling of the Apostles. Why did they do it? Why drop everything, why face an unknown future? At the end of the day, it was quite simply meeting Jesus that made them drop their nets, and leave their counting houses. It was He that reassured them that you did not have to be perfect to follow him, and that He could take care of the future, no matter what it held. Again, it was all about that "knowing Christ".

Can we join that same journey as the Apostles and St Paul? Yes, we can. So this year we are doing something to help us all on this wonderful adventure of getting to know Our Lord. This week we are starting our "**Do You Love Me**" project. Over forty parishioners have signed up to follow together the beautiful little book of that name produced under the guidance of the Bishops of England and Wales. This book, I guarantee, will indeed bring you closer to Jesus, help you to know Him better and build a real relationship with Him.

The book is based around the last chapter of St John's Gospel that I like to call "Breakfast on the Beach". We are taken step by step through this climactic scene as the apostles encounter the risen Jesus, and Peter faces his three denials and experiences being rebuilt by just one question: "Do you love me?"

The project is not complicated. Every person reads a chapter at home then meets in small groups of about six to share their thoughts. Each group sets its own timescales. If you would like to be part of this project for 2018 and have not yet signed up, it's not too late as we can make up new groups. Just email me at matthew@3churches.org this week

annual **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**. The Week points us to just one of many broken unities in our

Fr Matthew

~~~~ 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday 28 January 2018) ~~~~



Response to Psalm **O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.**  
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,  
For revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!**



1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Corinthians 7: 32-35 Gospel: Mark 1: 21-28

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## 3 Churches

### Father's News

#### RIP

We pray for the repose of the souls of two well-known parishioners. The Requiem for **Brian Mark** will be at St Brigid's Tuesday 6 February at 12 noon. The Requiem for **Maureen Carroll** will be at St Paul's Tuesday 13 February at 11.15am. Please remember Ann and her family and Cora and her family in your prayers.

*Eternal rest grant to them, Lord.*

#### WELSH MASS

Yr Offeren yn Gymraeg. Mass in Welsh at St Teilo's on Sunday 28 January at 4.30pm; all welcome. Croeso cynnes i bawb. [carys@caerdelyn.com](mailto:carys@caerdelyn.com)

#### NEW DAY FOR PRAYER GROUP

After many years of happening on Sunday evening, our "Sunday Praise" prayer group is moving to **Fridays at 7.30pm** still at St Brigid's. So I suppose the name must change! The format is also changing, to fit the opinions and needs of those who come. Lively praise, Eucharistic Adoration, Intercession and prayer ministry - why not come along?

#### CWL

The next CWL charity coffee morning will take place after 9.30 Mass at St Paul's on Friday 2 February. Proceeds will be for MIND. The January coffee morning for Shelter Cymru raised £100. Please see the notice board at the back of St Paul's for the amounts raised last year. Thank you to all who support these coffee mornings.

#### CATHOLIC HISTORY

Wales and the Marches Catholic History Society next talk will be at St David's RC Sixth Form College, Cardiff on **Sunday 4 February at 3pm**. Dr Robert Matthews will speak on "Roman Catholicism in South Wales at a time of persecution 1559 - 1679". Dr Robert Matthews lectures in Early Modern History at the Open University, and specialises in 16 & 17th century religious history. His MA and PhD degrees were both on Roman Catholicism in Monmouthshire in the 17th century. All are welcome to attend. Further details from Tricia Coulthard (2059 5899 or [triciacoulthard@hotmail.com](mailto:triciacoulthard@hotmail.com))

#### Celebrate Conference

**21 - 22 April,**

**Mary Immaculate High School.**

A lively Catholic weekend conference for all ages.

**Early Bird prices (20% off) end 31 January.** More information at [www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/wales](http://www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/wales)

We are in need of more helpers for our young children (ages 3 - 7) and youth (ages 11 - 13) at the Celebrate weekend - a fantastic, uplifting opportunity to engage with the next generation of our Church! Please speak to Clare Reay or email [clare.reay@hotmail.com](mailto:clare.reay@hotmail.com) if you would be interested in being part of this wonderful weekend.

#### Lent Discussion Groups

Please note unfortunately it has not been possible to organise Lent Discussion Groups in Llanishen and District this year. Due to various factors it was not possible to prepare written material in time for a mid-February start.

#### CAFOD Family Fast Day

Family Fast Day is on Friday 23 February. To prepare for this appeal CAFOD is holding a range of meetings and events to brief you on the Fast Day.

This year, CAFOD have been awarded match funding for the appeal so all donations made between 13 February (Shrove Tuesday) and 12 May will be matched by the UK Government. The Cardiff Fast Day briefing will take place on Saturday 3 February 11am - 1pm in the Mostyn Room, at St David's Cathedral.

For more information visit: <https://cafodsouthwales.wordpress.com/>

The **St David's Praise Choir** drawn from churches across South Wales, including our churches, is involved in concerts at St David's Hall on Saturday 28 April, and Saturday 9 June. Rehearsals begin with a session on Saturday 3 February 10am - 4pm at Rhiwbina Baptist Church. Any singers interested in taking part in the concerts are invited to contact Elizabeth Taylor (2075 1401 or [tayleat@gmail.com](mailto:tayleat@gmail.com)) for further information.

**St Brigid's & St Paul's  
Quiz & Curry Night  
Friday 16 February 7.30pm  
St Brigid's Hall  
Tickets £8 (available after Masses  
or from 2076 6318)  
Teams of 8 - or come along and  
make up a team with others  
Licensed Bar  
Proceeds to BOBATH**

## **Volunteers wanted for taking food to the Food Bank**

New rotas will start in March. One rota is for collecting the combined food left at Christ the King and St Brigid's and the other is for that left at St Paul's. The food is then taken to the Cardiff Food Bank in Splott. Normally volunteers would do this only once every 6 - 8 weeks. The Food Bank is open several days of the week and volunteers can normally find a convenient time to take the food there. If anyone would like to help, please contact Terry Jermyn - 07939 263403 or [terryjermyn@gmail.com](mailto:terryjermyn@gmail.com)

## **Other events**

### **Where are our young people?**

Working with young people can be daunting for many but with the aging population of our parishes, we are forced to focus our attention to the future of the Church.

Ben Aldridge, Youth Chaplain at St Mary's in Hereford, in conjunction with the Evangelisation department will be speaking in Cardiff to address these issues! How can we help young people on their journey with Christ? How do we engage with the young people in our parish? What are young people searching for?

Ben will be sharing his experiences as a young person, a youth worker and a school Chaplain and hopes to answer any questions you may have about working with young people. Ben invites you to an open dialogue to share trials and ideas with each other - together we can work to shape the future of the Church.

Come to the Pastoral Resources Centre (in St Illtyd's High School, CF3 1XQ) on 12 February 7.30 - 9pm to find out more about how to reach out to our young people!

Llanishen Baptist Church  
Youth Drama Group 'Revelations'  
Present

### **Peter Pan: The Pantomime**

At The YMCA Theatre,  
The Walk, Cardiff

Thursday 15 February 7.15pm

Friday 16 February 7.15pm

Saturday 17 February 3.15pm

Tickets £7.50

For tickets

or any queries phone

2075 3033 or

07551 991100

### **Young Men needed!**

Godspell is St Peter's Players latest production and it needs men!

Two males aged 19 - 30ish who can sing, move and dance.

Performances will take place at The Cornerstone from 22 - 27 March

(with Sunday 25 March off)

Rehearsals will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays leading up to the performances.

Further details from Pat Lloyd  
(07961 021145)

### ***St Mary's RC Primary School Queen's Hill, Newport are seeking to appoint a Deputy Head Teacher - required for April 2018***

Visits to the school can be arranged by contacting Dawn Jones, School Administrator (01633 840490)

Applications must be made using the CES application from the CES website - [www.cesew.org.uk](http://www.cesew.org.uk) and should be returned by post or email to: The Head Teacher, St Mary's RC Primary School, Queen's Hill, Newport NP20 5HJ /

[stmarysrc.primary@newport.gov.uk](mailto:stmarysrc.primary@newport.gov.uk)

Details can be found on advert on the notice board in church porch.

### **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 will be in St David's Sixth Form College on Wednesday 7 February at 7pm. All are welcome. Further information is available from Frank Callus (07956 005459)

## **Christ the King**

**LIFT class this Thursday 1  
February 10 - 11am in CTK Parish  
Centre. Please note there will be  
no LIFT class on Thursday 8  
February - I do apologise for the  
inconvenience and  
disappointment this causes  
Linda Halloran**

### **Poems and a Gass**

Sunday 28 January

CTK Parish Centre 7pm

Bring yourself, a poetry book and a friend

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

### **PARK CAREFULLY**

Our neighbours around St Brigid's have again asked us to remind drivers not to park across or too near to corners when attending Mass. This obstructs vision and can lead to accidents. Thank you

***The Society for the Protection of  
Unborn Children (SPUC) would  
like to thank those parishioners  
who supported their annual White  
Flower collection recently. The  
amount raised from St Brigid's  
and St Paul's was £599.52***

**Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|        |        |             |                                                                |                                         |
|--------|--------|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Sat.   | 6pm    | C the K     | <b>Annie Murphy (O'Brien)</b>                                  |                                         |
| Sun.   | 9am    | St Paul's   | <b>Walter Connies-Laing</b>                                    | 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time |
|        | 9am    | C the K     | <b>Dom Bryon (P Charles)</b>                                   |                                         |
|        | 11am   | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                                    |                                         |
|        | 6pm    | St Brigid's | <b>Lucienne Camilleri (Ken &amp; Mary)</b>                     |                                         |
| Mon.   | 9.30am | St Brigid's | <b>Special Int</b>                                             |                                         |
| Tues.  | 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Intention of Oroszlany &amp; Murphy Families (M Murphy)</b> |                                         |
| Wed.   | 9.30am | St Paul's   | <b>David Jenkins</b>                                           | St John Bosco                           |
| Thurs. | 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Intention of Bailey Family (C Bailey)</b>                   |                                         |
|        | 7.30pm | St Brigid's | <b>Benny Lynch</b>                                             |                                         |
| Fri.   | 9.30am | St Paul's   | <b>Brian Mark (Daley)</b>                                      | Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)    |
|        | 7.30pm | St Brigid's | <b>Friday Praise</b>                                           |                                         |
| Sat.   | 9.30am | St Brigid's | <b>Thanksgiving (Daw)</b>                                      | St Blaise                               |

**Sunday February 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|      |         |             |                                             |                                         |
|------|---------|-------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Sat. | 6pm     | C the K     | <b>Dom Bryon (F &amp; M Callus)</b>         |                                         |
| Sun. | 9am     | St Paul's   | <b>Maureen Carroll (Slowikowska)</b>        | 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time |
|      | 9am     | C the K     | <b>Kevin Mecklenburgh (N &amp; R Flynn)</b> |                                         |
|      | 11am    | St Brigid's | <b>Joe Rigby</b>                            |                                         |
|      | 12.30pm | C the K     | <b>Baptism: Millie Stock</b>                |                                         |
|      | 6pm     | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                 |                                         |

**Praying for our Neighbours**

Please remember in your prayers this week  
our neighbours in  
**Hammond Way**  
**Woodlawn Way**  
**Lake Road West**  
who have received prayer cards in  
the last few days.

**3 Churches  
Parish Council Chairs**

**Sts Brigid & Paul**

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07989 404730  
mariathompson1  
@hotmail.co.uk

**Christ the King**

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chrisstevens1200  
@gmail.com

**Christ the King**

**Primary School**  
*Mrs R Woodward*  
2075 4787

**Corpus Christi**

**High School**  
*Acting Headteacher*  
*Mrs Pat Pavlovic*  
2076 1893

**St David's College**

*Principal*  
*Mark Leighfield*  
2049 8555

**Safeguarding  
Representatives**

**Sts Brigid & Paul**  
*Pat Williams (St B)*  
2061 7374  
*Carl French (St P)*  
2075 4418

**Christ the King**

*Jim Winterbottom*  
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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** £ 693.70  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 504.58  
**Total** £ 1198.28  
**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

**Gift Aid** £ ~~~~~  
**Non Gift Aid** £ ~~~~~  
**S/O weekly av.** £ ~~~~~  
**Total** £ ~~~~~

**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, Edith Baker, John Campbell, Mary Clarke,  
Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Win Drury, Emily, Anthony Foster, Bobi Gower, Patrick Harris,  
Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, Maureen O'Driscoll,  
Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, Valentino Rascon, John Reardon,  
Claire Richards, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Bev Tumelty, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward,  
Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.