

3 Churches News

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Sunday March 4th 2018 **Third Sunday in Lent** **(YEAR B)** **Issue 09/18**

THE DO GOOD BROTHERS

St John of God 8th March

John of God was born in 1495 in Portugal. As a child he left home, the reason still unknown, and ended up a homeless orphan in Spain. He found work as a shepherd, and then became a soldier, but was accused of stealing and was almost condemned to death. He returned to the farm but later decided to enlist again, and for the next 18 years he served in various parts of Europe. John eventually moved south near Seville, finding work once more as a shepherd, but began to realise that this no longer satisfied him. He wanted to see Africa, and maybe work to free enslaved Christians. On the way, he befriended a Portuguese family, but when they became ill he began to nurse them. Troubled and feeling spiritually lost from his failure to practice his faith during his years of service, he returned to Spain, trying to find what God wanted from him. A vision of the Infant Jesus is said to have directed him to go to Granada.

In 1537, John experienced a major conversion while listening to a sermon by John of Avila, a leading preacher who would encourage him in his quest to improve the life of the poor. Perceived by others as a victim of a mental breakdown, he was imprisoned in a Hospital for the mentally ill, but he regained peace of heart and left the hospital. He established a house for the sick poor, at first doing his own begging, but still found himself misunderstood and rejected. Later he received the cooperation of priests and physicians, and slowly John drew to himself a dedicated circle of disciples who felt called to join him in this service.

John of God died on 8 March 1550 in Granada and was canonized in 1690. He was later named a patron saint of hospitals, the sick, nurses, and others. A church was erected in 1757 to house his remains, where the September Pilgrims celebrated Mass in 2006. He had organized his followers into the Order of Hospitallers, who still care for the sick in 53 countries around the world, operating more than three hundred hospitals, services, and centres. Commonly known as the Fatebenefratelli, the Do-good-brothers, in Italy, they serve a wide range of medical needs, supported by tens of thousands of benefactors and friends who identify with and support the work of the Order for sick and needy people across the world. Folks from Canton may remember the sisters who taught in St Mary's.

Fr Matthew

~~~~ Third Sunday in Lent (Sunday 4 March 2018) ~~~~



Response to Psalm **You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! I am the Resurrection and the life, says the Lord, whoever believes in me will never die. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**



**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Exodus 20: 1-7 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Corinthians 1: 22-25 **Gospel:** John 2: 13-25

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## 3 Churches

### Father's News

#### LENT

**Mass** Why not come to a weekday Mass?

**Confession** Lent is a great time for the Sacrament of Reconciliation; special North Cardiff Penitential Service at St Teilo's Monday 26 March.

#### Stations of the Cross

Before Mass: Tuesdays at Christ the King, Fridays at St Paul's, Saturdays at St Brigid's, all at about 9am

#### Walk With Me

Booklet of Reflections for each day - available in each church.

**Holy Week** Maundy Thursday 8pm at Christ the King; Good Friday 3pm at St Paul's and Christ the King; Easter Vigil 8.30pm at St Brigid's.

#### DEANERY MASS

Many thanks to those who came to our Deanery Lent Station Mass on Wednesday, and especially to those who helped plan and exercise ministries in the Mass. Archbishop Stack sent a message to say he thought it was "a very good occasion".

#### CATHOLIC HISTORY SOCIETY

The talk at St David's College planned for this Sunday has been cancelled.

#### GODSPELL

The joyful musical "Godspell" is to be performed at Cornerstone, Charles Street 22 - 27 March (except Sunday 25) at 7.30pm. Tickets are available online at [www.eventagiousonline.co.uk](http://www.eventagiousonline.co.uk) or from 2049 4425. A wonderful way to lead into the great celebration of Easter!

#### ADOREMUS

##### - PREPARATION DAY

You are invited to an "Adoremus" Preparation Day at St David's College on 17 March 10.30am - 3pm. The day will explore the Eucharist as meal, sacrifice and real presence through reflections, imaginative contemplation and Eucharistic adoration. No charge and open to all. Registration 10am for 10.30am. Lunch provided.

To attend, please contact Christian Mahoney on 07764 515864 or email [christianmahoney2@gmail.com](mailto:christianmahoney2@gmail.com)

#### Tea Party

Huggard Centre for the Homeless (CASH) will be holding a Tea Party with entertainment by the Rock Choir to raise funds for the Centre on Thursday 8 March at 2.30pm in the Lisvane Memorial Hall, Heol-y-Delyn, Lisvane.

Tickets are £8 and are available from Celia Bailey (2075 2413) or Sue Peat (2076 2358)

#### HCPT Lourdes 28 September - 5 October

Places available for any adults, staying at Hosanna House.

Further details: -

[maureen.greening@btinternet.com](mailto:maureen.greening@btinternet.com)

Mass at 9.30 on Tuesday 6 March at Christ the King will be for

deceased members of the 3 churches, particularly those who died in December (Barbara Nelson, Anna Forrest and Maria Giordano)

#### LENT APPEAL FOR OLD / UNUSED SHOES

Appeal for shoes to be taken to displaced peoples camps, and school children in Africa. Please leave any such shoes at the back of both Christ the King, and St Brigid's and they will be collected on Thursday 8 March

#### A Time to Remember

An opportunity during Lent for those who have experienced bereavement - whether recent or sometime ago - to drop in for a time of quiet reflection, a tea or coffee and for those who wish, a chance to talk.

All are welcome

**Saturday 17 March 10.30am - 3pm**  
**Christ the King Parish Hall,**  
**Newborough Avenue**

For further information contact a member of the 3 Churches Bereavement Support Group - 2075 1401 / [tayleat@gmail.com](mailto:tayleat@gmail.com)

#### Confirmation

Ahead of their Confirmation on 21 April 2018, this year's Confirmation Class will be participating in the Mass at Christ the King on Saturday 10 March at 6pm. The group will also be selling cakes in the Parish Centre after Mass to raise money for charity. Please remember to bring some extra change with you, and also to pop into the Parish Centre after Mass to support them by buying some of their delicious (*we hope!*) cakes.

#### **It's FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT:** **Until Sunday 11 March**

##### \* Fairtrade Pub Quiz

Wednesday 7 March 7pm at St Canna's Alehouse, Llandaff Road, Cardiff

#### **Please remember the deceased members of the 3 churches whose anniversaries occur in March including:**

Teresa Tucker, Mary O'Brien, Joe Dolan, Betty Ames, Ann Ockleston, Desmond Curran, Brigid Skene, Kenneth Gorman, Betty Richards, Keith Allen, Adeebah Naom, Patricia Glastonbury, Ken Fenard, Sabah Aris and Sian Clark.

## **PALM SUNDAY FILM NIGHT at ST BRIGID'S**

'RISEN' starring Joseph Fiennes  
(*The first forty days after the Resurrection of Jesus told through the eyes of an agnostic Roman Centurion*)

Sunday 25 March 7.30pm

No tickets - just come along with your family and friends and see this film as a lead into Holy Week

### **St Brigid's & St Paul's**

#### **Passover Meal**

This will be held on Tuesday 27 March (Tuesday of Holy Week) at 7.30pm in St Brigid's Hall. The evening begins with symbolic food and prayers followed by a 3 Course Dinner (catering by Spiro) Tickets are now available (£20 - which includes your wine or soft drinks) after Masses or please call 2076 6318

## **Christ the King**

### ***RIP***

Please pray for the repose of the souls of three recently deceased people. Details of their funerals are as follows:

**Maureen O'Driscoll** Christ the King  
Thursday 15 March 1.15pm

**Molly Powell** Christ the King  
Wednesday 21 March 12.30pm

**Anthony Foster** husband of Luan.  
Wenallt Chapel Thornhill  
Wednesday 21 March 12.30

Please remember them and their families and friends in your prayers.  
*Eternal rest grant to them, Lord*

### **Baptism**

This weekend we welcome Jackson McDonnell and Theodore Paul Jolly as they are baptised. Please pray for them and their parents and godparents.

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

#### **February 2018**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize £25**

**Michael Crowley**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £15**

**Rachel Wetherhill**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £12**

**Mo Archer**

### **Church Keys**

All the locks in the Church building (not the Parish Centre) will be replaced on Wednesday 7 March. After that date all existing keys to the Church front door and sacristy will not be of any use. I will be at both Masses this weekend to distribute the new keys to anyone who currently holds a key to the Church. If you have a key but are unable to be present at either of those Masses please email Bernard ([bernard@adshead.me.uk](mailto:bernard@adshead.me.uk)) to make alternative arrangements.

### **CAFOD Family Fast Day**

This weekend is your last chance to return your envelopes to the purple drum at the back of the church. Thank you for your support

### **Lost & Found**

A memory stick was found at Christ the King Church after 6pm Mass last Saturday. Contact Fr Matthew

### **Lost Property**

Please take a look at the items in the church porch and take anything belonging to you. Anything not claimed by Monday 12 March will go to charity.

**A cheque for £100 has been sent to HCPT to help towards costs for Lourdes this Easter. This was raised through the sale of Mass cards and Quidenham cards. Thank you all very much  
Linda Halloran**

### **LINK**

Deadline for items to be included in the Easter edition is Monday 12 March. You don't have to email, just contact Cherime or Jane and we'll arrange to type it up!

Cherime (2075 3740) or

[mark.cherime@talktalk.net](mailto:mark.cherime@talktalk.net)

Jane (2075 9440)

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

### ***Eucharistic Ministers and Readers at St Paul's***

Please note - provisional schedules for March to September 2018 will be on the Notice Board. Please give a written note to John O'Connell if specific date/s are not convenient **before** Palm Sunday when a final schedule will be published.

### **APF Mission Red Box Collectors - St Paul's Parish**

Magazines for Spring 2018 are available at the back of the church. Please can you collect them at your convenience and distribute them to your Red Box holders when you next collect their boxes. Any problems please contact Karen Baker (07963 183655)

### **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 at St Brigid's**

All are welcome to tea and coffee after 11am Mass at St Brigid's. All monies raised go to the City Hospice, formerly called the George Thomas Hospice.

**Sunday March 4<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday in Lent**

|               |             |                                               |                                                             |
|---------------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat. 6pm      | C the K     | <b>Peter Louis Murphy (M Murphy)</b>          |                                                             |
| Sun. 9am      | St Paul's   | <b>Brian Mark (Tunncliffe)</b>                | Third Sunday in Lent                                        |
|               | 9am         | <b>Intention of Clark Family (C Bailey)</b>   |                                                             |
|               | 11am        | <b>St Brigid's</b>                            | <b>People of the Parish</b>                                 |
|               | 12.30pm     | C the K                                       | <b>Baptism: Jackson McDonnell &amp; Theodore Paul Jolly</b> |
|               | 6pm         | St Brigid's                                   | <b>Holy Souls</b>                                           |
| Mon. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Nell Williams (Parker)</b>                 |                                                             |
| Tues. 9am     | C the K     | <b>Stations of the Cross</b>                  |                                                             |
|               | 9.30am      | C the K                                       | <b>Deceased Members of the 3 Churches</b>                   |
| Wed. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>Maureen Carroll (John)</b>                 | Sts Perpetua & Felicity                                     |
| Thurs. 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Intention of Ann Rees (Forrest Family)</b> | St John of God                                              |
|               | 7.30pm      | St Brigid's                                   | <b>Holy Souls</b>                                           |
|               | Fri 9am     | St Paul's                                     | <b>Stations of the Cross</b>                                |
|               | 9.30am      | St Paul's                                     | <b>Brian Mark (Stone)</b>                                   |
|               | 7.30pm      | St Brigid's                                   | <b>Friday Praise</b>                                        |
| Sat. 9am      | St Brigid's | <b>Stations of the Cross</b>                  |                                                             |
|               | 9.30am      | St Brigid's                                   | <b>Doreen &amp; John Smits</b>                              |

**Sunday March 11<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday in Lent**

|          |           |                                           |                                 |
|----------|-----------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Sat. 6pm | C the K   | <b>Mike Morris (Morris Family)</b>        |                                 |
| Sun. 9am | St Paul's | <b>Michael &amp; Ann Dowling (Withey)</b> | Fourth Sunday in Lent           |
|          | 9am       | C the K                                   | <b>Mike Corcoran (D Morgan)</b> |
|          | 11am      | St Brigid's                               | <b>Graham Minski (Sullivan)</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  
**Clos y Wiwer**  
**Hammond Way**  
**Lake Road West & Jellicoe Gardens**  
 who have received prayer cards in  
 the last few days.

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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** £ 568.00  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 525.49  
**Total** £ 1093.49  
**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

**Gift Aid** £ 386.60  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 332.91  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 381.79  
**Total** £ 1101.30

**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, Bobi Gower, Patrick Harris,  
 Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, 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.