

3 Churches News

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BACK TO THURSDAY

The Holydays of Obligation of the Epiphany and the **Ascension** have returned to their traditional places on the twelfth day of Christmas (except if that is a Saturday or Monday - which it was this year!) and Thursday after the 6th Sunday of Easter.

Here is **Malcolm Guite's** sonnet on the Ascension. He captures the double meaning very well - this feast tells us that we are now part of heaven's story, while heaven shows us a human face. The words are well worth our reflection.

We saw his light break through the cloud of glory
Whilst we were rooted still in time and place
As earth became a part of Heaven's story
And heaven opened to his human face.

We saw him go and yet we were not parted
He took us with him to the heart of things
The heart that broke for all the broken-hearted
Is whole and Heaven-centred now, and sings

Sings in the strength that rises out of weakness,
Sings through the clouds that veil him from our sight,
Whilst we ourselves become his clouds of witness
And sing the waning darkness into light

His light in us, and ours in him concealed,
Which all creation waits to see revealed.

Fr Matthew



~~~~ 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Sunday 6 May 2018) ~~~~



Response to Psalm **The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.**  
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! "If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him." Alleluia!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 10: 25-26. 34-35. 44-48 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 John 4: 7-10 **Gospel:** John 15: 9-17

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### Father's News

#### ASCENSION THURSDAY

Remember the Ascension is back to its place on Thursday - and is still a Holyday of Obligation.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our younger children receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion on Saturday 12 May at St Brigid's at 11am.

Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

#### OUR LADY BY TORCHLIGHT

The annual torchlight procession in honour of Our Lady at Belmont Abbey takes place on Wednesday 16 May. Starts at 9pm. Preacher: Dom David Bird. Refreshments available before procession.

#### MASS WITH THE SICK

Saturday 26 May at St Brigid's. We welcome especially those who cannot normally get to Mass. Please assist anyone who is in this category. Transport details are elsewhere in this newsletter.

#### "DO YOU LOVE ME?" - BEYOND THE BEACH...

One Monday a month in May, June and July Fr Matthew leads a session on appearances of Jesus after the Resurrection, following our successful "Do You Love Me?" project: 14 May, 11 June and 9 July.

Groups may wish to get back together from "Do You Love Me?" Each gathering will run twice - at 2.30 and 7.30pm in St Brigid's Hall / Church, and will include opportunity for listening, sharing and reflection. In addition, we will run "Do You Love Me?" again for those who missed first time.

#### THANK YOU

Fr Matthew would like to give his warmest thanks to all who helped make our celebration of his thanksgiving for 40 years of priesthood so splendid. Special thanks for the wonderful collection and all individual gifts.

#### OBERAMMERGAU

In 2020 Fr Gareth Leyshon leads a pilgrimage to the **Passion Play at Oberammergau** which takes place only every ten years.

Dates are 16 - 24 September by coach, visiting other sacred places and shrines on the way such as Amsterdam (Our Lady of All Nations), Ghent and Cologne. Contact Fr Gareth on 2073 1061 or [gareth.leyshon@rcadc.org](mailto:gareth.leyshon@rcadc.org) or Tangney Tours 01732 886666

#### TRANSPORT for MASS with the SICK

If anyone needs a lift to and from St Brigid's for the Mass with the Sick on Saturday 26 May at 11am - contact details are as follows  
Christ the King 2075 1401  
St Paul's 2075 6300  
St Brigid's 2062 6829

If there is anyone who is prepared to help with lifts, please contact the above.

#### Seeds for the Future

Seeds for the Future which supports young people from Ramabanta in Lesotho to attend high school and provides food parcels for households in the village who have no income will be holding a Summer Tea Party in Christ the King parish centre on the afternoon of Sunday 3 June. Tickets are £8 with a donation on the day for children. For tickets or further information please contact Elizabeth Taylor ([tayleat@gmail.com](mailto:tayleat@gmail.com) or 2075 1401).

#### Baby Loss

Baby Loss Awareness Week takes place in October. The Bereavement Support Group is hoping to arrange a service for the 3 churches to remember babies lost as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth or death in infancy. We would like to involve others - particularly those who have lost babies whether recently or some time ago - in planning the service.

Anyone interested in helping is invited to contact a member of the Group or to email [bereavementsupport@3churches.org](mailto:bereavementsupport@3churches.org)

#### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – INTERNET SAFETY AWARENESS

You are cordially invited to an awareness raising session taking place at Christ the King Parish Centre about protecting children and young people from abuse online.

If you are a parent or grandparent, someone who cares for, works or volunteers with children and young people, you are welcome to join us. This is an informative evening taking place at Christ the King on Wednesday 23 May at 7pm. Booking forms will be available next weekend or for further information contact Jim Winterbottom 2075 5121 [jimwin@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jimwin@hotmail.co.uk)

#### TOUCHSTONE TALKS

The next talk is on Sunday 20 May at 3pm in the Lecture Theatre at St. David's Catholic College, Ty Gwyn Road, Penylan, entitled "How prayer gets answered: God's knowledge of our needs and desires." Admission is free but there is a retiring collection. For more information call 2043 1842 or email [institute@tics.org.uk](mailto:institute@tics.org.uk)

Please remember the deceased members of the 3 churches whose anniversaries occur in May including: Edith Dean, Betty Aherne, Terry Thomas, Michael Power, Patricia Hodges, Nora Donovan, Rod Forrest, John Smits, Bill Downey, Suso Castro, Maureen Duffy, Alicia Long, Patricia Brown and Angela White

### SPUC 2018 Campaign Tour - 'We care about Women'

An address to provide information regarding effective campaigning to protect women and their unborn babies from abortion.

Sunday 13 May 7 - 9pm at Newman Hall, Cardiff Oratory, Colum Road, Cardiff CF10 3EF

### Christian Aid Week 13 - 19 May

\* Saturday 12 May 9am - 12pm

### Christian Aid Week Plant etc.

Sale at Llanishen Baptist Church.

\* Sunday 13 May 6pm

### Christian Aid week United

Service at Bethel United Reformed Church, Llangranog Road.

## Other events

### Pentecost Vigil

St. Helen's Barry, Saturday 19 May 9am - 12 midnight.

The day will be led by Fr. Pat Collins, CM. All are welcome to attend. Tea/Coffee available. Those wishing to attend for a long period of time please bring a packed lunch.

### St David's RC Primary School Cwmbran are seeking a Deputy Head teacher

to start September 2018.

Candidates are encouraged to undertake a visit to the school by contacting

[naomi.bowen@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:naomi.bowen@torfaen.gov.uk)

Further details can be found on the notice board in the porch

### Wales and the Marches Catholic History Society

Guided visit to Newport Cathedral, St. Woolos, on Wednesday 16 May at 10.45 am.

We have a few spare places for this event and will allot them on a first come first served basis.

There is no charge for the day but we will make a collection for the Cathedral.

We have arranged to have lunch in Vittorio's Restaurant opposite the Cathedral but this is optional.

To book a place and for further information contact **ASAP**:

Tricia Coulthard:

[triciacoulthard@outlook.com](mailto:triciacoulthard@outlook.com) or phone 2059 5899

### MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Do you deal with members of the public who may be suffering from mental health issues? Are you unsure how best to respond?

The Archdiocese of Cardiff is subsidising a 2-day Mental Health First Aid course which will run 11am - 5pm on Fridays 15 & 22 June. The course runs in parallel at two venues on the same dates, in Cardiff at the Pastoral Resources Centre, and in Pontypool at St. Alban's High School.

You can learn more and book online via the Diocesan Website ([www.rcadc.org](http://www.rcadc.org)); if you don't have web access, call Madeline Page on 2036 5965.

The course normally costs £120 but the diocese is making it available at £30 per person.

**Please help get 3 all-terrain wheelchair climbers up to the summit of Pen y Fan on Saturday 12 May.**

Info: [www.facebook.com/racerunningdragonscardiff](http://www.facebook.com/racerunningdragonscardiff)

## Christ the King

### "50 Club" Winners

April 2018

1<sup>st</sup> Prize £25

**Anne McDevitt [No 116]**

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £15

**May Foley [No 2]**

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £12

**Valerie Graham [No 60]**

### RIP

Please pray for **Nicholas Chitsega** and **John Cook** who have both died recently.

The Requiem Mass for Nicholas will take place at Christ the King on Monday 14 May at 11.15am  
The Funeral Service for John will take place at Christ the King on Friday 18 May at 11am.

*Please remember the families of Nicholas and John in your prayers.*

### Ascension

Thursday 10 May is the feast of the Ascension.

Mass will take place at Christ the King at 12.45pm

### LIFT

The next LIFT class will be this Thursday 10 May 10 - 11am in the Parish Centre.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### *Tea at St Brigid's*

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

**Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

|        |         |             |                                          |                                  |
|--------|---------|-------------|------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Sat.   | 6pm     | C the K     | <b>Peter O'Brien (J Dartnell)</b>        |                                  |
| Sun.   | 9am     | St Paul's   | <b>Doreen &amp; John Smits</b>           | 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter |
|        | 9am     | C the K     | <b>Jimmy Graham (T Evans)</b>            |                                  |
|        | 11am    | St Brigid's | <b>Tony James &amp; Dorothy Mitchell</b> |                                  |
|        | 6pm     | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>              |                                  |
| Mon.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Holy Father's Ints</b>                |                                  |
|        | 7.30pm  | St Brigid's | <b>Monday Group</b>                      |                                  |
| Tues.  | 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Dom Bryon (T Evans)</b>               |                                  |
| Wed.   | 9.30am  | St Paul's   | <b>Brian Mark (John)</b>                 |                                  |
| Thurs. | 9.30am  | St Paul's   | <b>People of the Parish</b>              | Ascension of the Lord            |
|        | 12.45pm | C the K     | <b>Agnes &amp; Graham Lush (C Lush)</b>  |                                  |
|        | 7.30pm  | St Brigid's | <b>Holy Souls</b>                        |                                  |
| Fri.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Caryl Harrison</b>                    |                                  |
| Sat.   | 11am    | St Brigid's | <b>First Communion Mass</b>              |                                  |

**Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

|      |      |             |                               |                                  |
|------|------|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Sat. | 6pm  | C the K     | <b>Don Barry (A McDevitt)</b> |                                  |
| Sun. | 9am  | St Paul's   | <b>Maureen Carroll (John)</b> | 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter |
|      | 9am  | C the K     | <b>Brian Mark (T Evans)</b>   |                                  |
|      | 11am | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>   |                                  |
|      | 6pm  | St Brigid's | <b>Available</b>              |                                  |

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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** £ 595.00

**Non Gift Aid** £ 488.17

**Total** £ 1083.17

**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

**Gift Aid** £ 397.02

**Non Gift Aid** £ 366.35

**S/O weekly av.** £ 299.29

**Total** £ 1062.66

**Praying for our Neighbours**

Please remember in your prayers this week

our neighbours in

**Ton-yr-Ywen Avenue**

**Scholars Drive**

**Clos y Dyfrig**

who have received prayer cards in

the last few days.

**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, Ugo Carpinini, Mary Clarke,  
Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Win Drury, Emily, Brian Gowen, Bobi Gower,  
Patrick Harris, Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, Kieran Ollin,  
Rona Perry, Valentino Rascon, John Reardon, Claire Richards, Anne Roach,  
Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Bev Tumelty, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward,  
Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.