

# 3 Churches News

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**Llanishen Cardiff**  
**CF14 5DB**



**St Brigid's**  
**Crystal Glen**  
**Cardiff**  
**CF14 5QN**

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**Sunday January 6<sup>th</sup> 2019 Epiphany (YEAR C)**

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## THE APPLE TREE

Many years ago I sang in the choir at St David's Cathedral. It helped give me a love for music which has stayed with me. Among the Christmas delights we enjoyed was an old poem set to music by Elizabeth Poston. It's called "Jesus Christ the Apple Tree" - a strange title when you first hear it, but one which has lingered in my mind and grows as you reflect on the simple words. Catch it on Youtube, sung by, among others, the choir of King's College Cambridge in 2009. Relax, reflect, enjoy...

The tree of life my soul hath seen,  
Laden with fruit and always green:  
The trees of nature fruitless be  
Compared with Christ the apple tree.

His beauty doth all things excel  
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell  
The glory which I now can see  
In Jesus Christ the apple tree.

For happiness I long have sought  
And pleasure dearly I have bought:  
I missed of all; but now I see  
'Tis found in Christ the apple tree.

I'm weary with my former toil,  
Here I will sit and rest awhile:  
Under the shadow I will be,  
Of Jesus Christ the apple tree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,  
It keeps my dying faith alive;  
Which makes my soul in haste to be  
With Jesus Christ the apple tree.

*From "Divine Hymns or Spiritual Songs", compiled by Joshua Smith 1784*



~~~~ Epiphany (Sunday 6 January 2019) ~~~~



Response to Psalm **All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! We saw his star as it rose  
And have come to do the Lord homage. Alleluia!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Isaiah 60: 1-6 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Ephesians 3: 2-3. 5-6 **Gospel:** Matthew 2: 1-12  
St. Brigid's and Christ the King are parishes of the Archdiocese of Cardiff. A Registered Charity No. 242380.

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### Father's News

#### BAPTISM PREPARATION

The next Northern Arc preparation sessions are at:

\* St Brigid's (Sacristy, accessed beyond altar in Church) Tuesdays 8 & 15 January 7pm. Please email Ann Martin if attending at

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

\* St Teilo's (parish hall - upstairs, access at rear of church)

Thursdays 14 & 21 February 7pm. Please email Cathy & Mel if attending at

[cathyhopkins@sky.com](mailto:cathyhopkins@sky.com)

#### WHITE FLOWER COLLECTION

Next weekend we take the special collection for the work of S.P.U.C. to protect life.

#### NEIGHBOURHOOD POSTCARDS

We regularly receive responses to our prayer postcards posted through doors as listed on the back page. Here's a recent one - "How lovely to receive your postcard... to know that you are praying for us for God's blessing. Be assured I will be praying for you also, I think this is a lovely idea. God bless you all."

#### MASS AT CARDIFF PRISON

... takes place each Friday at 3pm in the chapel. For some years parishioners from several Cardiff parishes have attended this Mass which is organized by the Catholic Chaplain. Roman Catholic prisoners attend and are given the chance to worship with fellow Catholics. If you are interested in learning further details please contact St Peter's SVP on 07906 101015. Thank you

#### Walking with St Luke

On Friday 11 January 6.30pm at Christ the King we meet again after the Christmas holidays to read the Gospel of St Luke 22: 66-71 and 23: 1-12. We continue to follow Jesus as he is brought in front of the council in Jerusalem. Please, come and join us.

Mass at 9.30am on Tuesday 8 January at Christ the King will be for deceased members of the 3 churches, particularly those who died in October (Brian Powell, Bernadette Theeswaran and Dorothy Wooding)

#### Llanishen & District Churches Together Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

##### 18 - 25 January 2019

\* Sunday 20 January 6pm.

**Christian Unity United Service** at Bethel Church, Llangranog Road, Llanishen. This year's format by the Churches of Indonesia.

Preacher: Rev'd Rosemary Aldis who, before retiring back to Cardiff, served the Indonesian Church for 37 years.

\* Monday 21 January 7pm. **The Fellowship Meal (the 'Agape')**

enjoy a simple meal with other local Christians. St Faith's Church, Morris Avenue, Llanishen

Available to take away for daily prayer use at home will be copies of the booklet entitled - "**ONLY JUSTICE**", on the themes from Indonesia of fostering unity alongside diversity, countering economic injustice & sustaining religious pluralism in the face of radicalisation.

(Booklet also downloadable from [www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer))

## Other events

#### *Acoustic Evening with Cardiff*

**Band - The Marlborough Pad**  
HCPT Group 73 is holding its first fundraiser in 2019. Please come along and join us at St Joseph's Catholic Club, 29 Whitchurch Road from 8pm on Friday 18 January entry £3. We look forward to seeing you.

If you are interested in travelling as a helper with Group 73 this Easter please can you email [group73@hcpt.org.uk](mailto:group73@hcpt.org.uk) by Tuesday 15 January.

#### 2019 Calendars and Diaries

The Cardiff Prison Chaplaincy Group would welcome donations of 2019 calendars and diaries - these are much sought after by the prisoners who attend weekly mass. There is a collection box in each church. Further information from Elizabeth Taylor (2075 1401)

#### **Plygain at St Peter's Church, Roath**

The third Plygain Carol Service in St Peter's will be on Friday 18 January at 8pm. This interdenominational, traditional Welsh service is for unaccompanied carols and prayer.

#### 20s / 30s Catholic Drinks

Every second Sunday of the month come and meet Catholic young adults from across Cardiff and make friends old and new at the Fox and Hounds, Old Church Road, Whitchurch (next to St Teilo's Church) at 7.30pm. It is an opportunity to meet others who share our faith and to relax before Monday mornings.



Please remember the deceased members of the 3 churches whose anniversaries occur in January including: Kate Haines, Terry O'Neill, Mary Neary, Ken Welsher, Mollie Peterson, Walter Connies-Laing, Genie Beach, Winifred Powell, Kathleen Hannah, Juliette Gabriel, Maureen Thomas, Megan Bowgen, Catherine Rees, Maureen Hill, Theresa Coffey, Rose-Anne Jones, John Tobin, Josephine Owen, Len Baker, Brian Mark and Maureen Carroll.

### **"FLAME 2019"**

The biggest annual event for young Catholics is being held on Saturday 2 March at Wembley. For more information and to book, go to <https://cymfed.org.uk/flame2019>

### Cardiff Catholic Chaplaincy

You are welcome to come for Mass in the University Church everyday at 6pm and Monday - Saturday at 10am. On Sunday evening we have the University Chaplaincy Schola directed by Tomos Watkins.

Adoration takes place Monday - Friday 5 - 6pm. The Sacrament of Confession is available during Adoration as well as during Mass on Sunday evenings

For more information visit [www.cardiffchaplancy.com](http://www.cardiffchaplancy.com)

### **2019 Dates for your Diary**

- \* Sunday 10 February: Racial Justice Sunday
- \* 26 February - 10 March Fair Trade Fortnight
- \* Friday 1 March: Women's World Day of Prayer
- \* Friday 15 March: CAFOD Lent Fast Day
- \* 12 - 18 May: Christian Aid Week



### **Come and Sing Day: Brahms' Requiem**

Saturday 12 January 10am - 3.30pm at Eglwys Dewi Sant, Cardiff. Registration from 9.30am Tickets £12 adults, £6 under 18s.

For more information visit <http://www.cantemus.co.uk/event/come-and-sing-day-brahms-requiem/>

### **The Quiet Garden, Llanishen**

The Quiet Garden is located beside the Methodist Church on Melbourne Road, Llanishen.

Hospitality and prayer are at the heart of the Quiet Garden Movement. You can visit at any time of the day and throughout the year various events take place here.

For more information about the Quiet Garden please visit [www.cardiffchurches.org.uk/html/quietgarden.htm](http://www.cardiffchurches.org.uk/html/quietgarden.htm)

## **Christ the King**

### R.I.P.

The Funeral Service for Paul Grant will take place at Christ the King on Friday 11 January at 10.30am

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

We will resume this Tuesday 8 January.

### **50 Club**

Subscriptions (£12) for 2019 will be collected after the Masses this weekend (5/6 January) and next weekend (12/13 January) New subscribers are welcome. Half of the proceeds go to charity and half are distributed in a monthly prize draw. The beneficiary charity for 2019 is Rainbow of Hope, a Cardiff based charity reaching out to homeless and disadvantaged people including asylum seekers and refugees.

***Congratulations to Una Riseborough and Lawrence Benjamin who were married at Christ the King on 22 December.***

### Tai Chi Class

Don't forget Tai Chi class this Thursday morning from 10 - 11am in the Parish Centre.

LIFT class will be the following week.

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

### **Parish Advisory Council Meeting**

The next PAC meeting will be on Tuesday 15 January. If any parishioner has an item they would like discussed at the meeting please see or email Maria Thompson (Chair) - [mariathompson1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mariathompson1@hotmail.co.uk) or any member of the PAC.

***Please note there will be no adoration at St Paul's on Wednesday 9 January. We will recommence on Wednesday 16 January 2019.***

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

St Brigid's raised £117 from the sale of tea/coffee after the 11am Sunday Mass. This has been match funded by the Hodge Foundation to make a grand total £234, this was donated to the City Hospice. Well done! Please join us for tea/coffee this Sunday after 11am Mass.

**New to the Parish?  
Pick up a leaflet**

**Sunday January 6<sup>th</sup> Epiphany**

|        |         |             |                                                     |                         |
|--------|---------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Sat.   | 6pm     | C the K     | <b>Charles &amp; Hannah Brice (Maria Al Haddad)</b> |                         |
| Sun.   | 9am     | St Paul's   | <b>Andrew Morris (Pat)</b>                          | Epiphany                |
|        | 9am     | C the K     | <b>Luis Urtiaga (A Davies)</b>                      |                         |
|        | 11am    | St Brigid's | <b>John &amp; Mary Kingston</b>                     |                         |
|        | 6pm     | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                         |                         |
| Mon.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Christopher Straughan (Daw)</b>                  | St Raymond of Penyafort |
| Tues.  | 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Deceased members of the 3 Churches</b>           |                         |
| Wed.   | 9.30am  | St Paul's   | <b>Nich Pearson (Sullivan)</b>                      |                         |
| Thurs. | 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Olwen Flynn (N &amp; R Flynn)</b>                |                         |
|        | 7.30pm  | St Brigid's | <b>Brian Powell (Tunncliffe)</b>                    |                         |
| Fri.   | 9.30am  | St Paul's   | <b>Doreen Parker (Elizabeth &amp; Fam)</b>          |                         |
|        | 10.30am | C the K     | <b>Funeral Service: Paul Grant</b>                  |                         |
| Sat.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Benedict Henry Natha (Dixon)</b>                 |                         |

**Sunday January 13<sup>th</sup> Baptism of the Lord**

|      |      |             |                                                                                       |                     |
|------|------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Sat. | 6pm  | C the K     | <b>Intention for a good recovery for Jack O'Brien &amp; for his family (C Bailey)</b> |                     |
| Sun. | 9am  | St Paul's   | <b>Dennis Norman (Byard)</b>                                                          | Baptism of the Lord |
|      | 9am  | C the K     | <b>Matt &amp; Mary Timmons (J Dartnell)</b>                                           |                     |
|      | 11am | St Brigid's | <b>Celia Campbell (including Baptism)</b>                                             |                     |
|      | 6pm  | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parishes</b>                                                         |                     |

**Praying for our Neighbours**  
 Please remember in your prayers this week  
 our neighbours in  
**Lisvane Road**  
**Farm Drive**  
 who have received prayer cards in  
 the last few days.

**3 Churches  
Parish Council Chairs**

**Sts Brigid & Paul**

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**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Christ the King**

Tuesday 10am - 3pm

**St. Paul's**

Resumes 16 January

**St. Brigid's**

Thursday 10am - 3pm

**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** £ 709.81

**Non Gift Aid** £ 516.30

**Total** £ 1226.11

**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

**Gift Aid** £ 288.27

**Non Gift Aid** £ 400.29

**S/O weekly av.** £ 378.00

**Total** £ 1066.56

**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, Clare Bell, John Campbell, Mary Clarke,  
 Corey-Jay Coles, Terry Culbertson, Elizabeth Cunningham, Agnes Davies, Win Drury,  
 Sheila Ferriter, Emily, 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, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward, Emma Warlow,  
 Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.