

3 Churches News

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QUICK, LET'S RUN!

The motto of the Beda College, my seminary in Rome, is "Christo Spectante Curramus" roughly translated as "Let us run under the eyes of Christ", words taken from a sermon of our patron St Bede. I must admit a more popular translation with students was "Quick, let's run, Christ is watching"...

Earlier in Lent we heard in the parable of the Prodigal Son of our God who *runs* to us. Several times people ran up to Jesus in the Gospels, and sometimes they ran to tell others *about* Jesus, like the swineherds. This week we will witness the disciples running *away* from Jesus when He is arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane.

But I think the most important instances of running in the Gospels happen early on Easter morning. Matthew 28, Mark 16 and John 20 all speak of Mary Magdalen *running* from the empty tomb to tell the Apostles. Then Luke 24 and John show us the wonderful image of Peter and John *racing* each other to get to the tomb first.

What are these moments telling us? The Father of the Prodigal Son cannot wait to embrace his returning son, such is his loving and merciful heart. Those who received miracles from Our Lord often could not wait to tell others, broadcasting it around the countryside. The fact the apostles ran away shows us the weakness of our humanity under stress - would we have done any different?

Then on that first bright Easter morning Mary Magdalen and the women became the first preachers of the Easter Gospel, so anxious to tell others. And finally Peter and John make a dash together for the Easter Space - the Empty Tomb. The energy this experience gave them, with the power of the Holy Spirit, would take them and the Church across the face of the globe.

And so here we are, celebrating these events this Holy Week. We have inherited that Good News, we are its guardians and "transmitters" for our times. Will we run away? Or will we come together this week and hasten to the Easter Garden to be revived, re-excited? Then, like Magdalen, Peter and John we must run to our world to share the Good News.

Please take a Holy Week poster for your front window, and an Easter card.

Fr Matthew



~~~~ Palm Sunday (Sunday 14 April 2019) ~~~~



Response to Psalm **My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

Gospel Acclamation: **Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Seek good and not evil so that you may live, and that the Lord God of hosts may really be with you. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-7 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11 Gospel: Luke 22: 14—23-56

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## 3 Churches

### Father's News

#### HOLY WEEK

**Wednesday: The Chrism Mass** 11.30am at the Cathedral, replacing parish Mass

**Maundy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper** 8pm at St Brigid's. The beginning of the Sacred Triduum (Three Days). Watching at the Altar of Repose until Midnight.

**Good Friday: Commemoration of the Lord's Passion** 3pm at both St Paul's and Christ the King. There will be **Children's Liturgy** at both churches.

**Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter** 8.30pm at Christ the King. The central liturgy of the year. The four parts are the Liturgies of Light, of the Word, of the Baptismal Water and the Eucharist.

**Easter Sunday:** Masses at usual times.

#### SHROUD EXHIBITION

The University Church (Nazareth House Chapel) offers you a unique opportunity to see the only life sized replica of the Shroud in the UK. Opening hours: Monday to Friday 10.30am - 5pm, Saturdays 10.30am - 6pm. For more info contact Fr Sebastian ([secretary@cardifforatory.co.uk](mailto:secretary@cardifforatory.co.uk))

#### PRAYER CARDS

Here is another response we have received to our prayer cards: -

"I received a card through my door this morning about your church praying for our street and I wanted to express a heartfelt gratitude. Thank you very much.

It's refreshing in light of everything else over shadowing the church currently. I am part of the Anglican Communion."

**Please note that next weekend's newsletter will be a double edition to cover Sundays 21 & 28 April**  
**Please send any information for that edition to Luke**  
[luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk)  
**by this Wednesday afternoon -**  
**Many thanks!**

#### Music for 3 Churches Celebrations in Holy Week & Easter

A reminder that there will be a rehearsal this Wednesday 17 April at Christ the King at 7pm for the Maundy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper and the Easter Vigil. Singers who are able to attend one or both of these are asked to come along.

Further information from Elizabeth Taylor (2075 1401)

#### **Huggard Centre for the Homeless (CASH)**

A massive thank you to those who supported the recent Fashion Show and Tea Party in aid of the Huggard Centre. A total of £1608 was raised and this will be passed to the Centre shortly. Your support is really appreciated ~ Celia.

***The Monday Group will meet on Monday 29 April at 2pm in St Paul's. Subs will be due at this meeting.***

#### **Future Baptism Preparation Courses in the Northern Arc**

St Brigid's, Crystal Glen (Sacristy, accessed beyond altar in Church) Wednesdays 8 & 15 May 7pm  
Please email Ann Martin if attending [stevemartincardiff@gmail.com](mailto:stevemartincardiff@gmail.com)

#### Taize Evening

St Peter's Church, Roath this Sunday 14 April 7pm

We welcome all who would like to spend an hour with us in peaceful prayer and reflection leading us into Holy Week.

#### **Help! Help! Help!**

OPEN DOOR Senior Citizen's Club need a strong, fit person who could come for no more than half an hour every 3rd Thursday of the month to Christ the King Parish Centre at 4pm (when the club finishes), to put away tables, chairs and the keyboard. This is becoming increasingly difficult for those who run the club, nearly all over 80 years of age! If you feel you can offer this help which is vital, please ring Ann (2075 2900)

Thank you in anticipation.

#### **Advance Notice:**

#### **Local Christian Aid Week events**

Christian Aid Week this year is 12 - 18 May.

The following events will be held at Llanishen Baptist Church:

\* Saturday 11 May 9am - 12pm Christian Aid Plant (and everything!) Sale

\* Sunday 12 May 6pm Christian Aid Week United Service to start Christian Aid Week.

#### **Day of Reflection**

Llantarnam Abbey  
Monday 29 July 10am - 3.30pm  
*We are co-creators with God: We all have great inner power to enable us to do this - a power we have scarcely tapped into until now*  
Cost £10 (please bring packed lunch)

Info: [www.tygroesocentre.co.uk](http://www.tygroesocentre.co.uk)

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

### Prayerlink

Just a reminder that the next monthly session of joint prayer, "Prayerlink", will be held at Bethel United Reformed Church, Llangranog Road (off Templeton Avenue) on Saturday 4 May from 10 - 11am.

Take part in an hour of shared prayer and meditation with other local Christians. Stay for an hour or leave earlier if you need to. Everyone is very welcome.

## Other events

### **Goldies sing and Smile Cymru**

Starting Thursday 16 May 10.30 - 11.30am. Goldies, sing a long sessions at Llanishen Hub and then on the third Thursday of each month. Open to all. We ask you please to make a donation of £2 for each session towards the work of the Goldies Charity.

### **Pen y Fan on Wheels**

Saturday 18 May 9.30am start. A charity walk to the peak of Southern Britain's highest mountain. Info - [www.facebook.com/racerunningdragonscardiff](http://www.facebook.com/racerunningdragonscardiff)

## Christ the King

### **R.I.P.**

Please pray for Peter McCavera who has died recently. His Requiem Mass will take place at Christ the King on Monday 15 April at 12.30pm. *Please remember all his family in your prayers.*

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

**March 2019**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize £25**

**Edwina Morgan [no18]**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £15**

**Grace Jose [no122]**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £10**

**Monica Maddox [no15]**

### Adoration

There will be Adoration after Mass on Tuesday 16 April 10am - 12 noon.

There will be no Adoration on Tuesday 23 April (Easter Week).

We will resume on Tuesday 30 April.

**Sandwich Making for the Homeless this Monday 15 April at 1.15pm in Christ the King Parish Centre. Regular and new volunteers welcome**

### **OPEN DOOR CLUB**

Senior Citizen's Club  
Thursday 18 April 2 - 4pm  
Christ the King Parish Centre  
Come and join us, you will be very welcome.

### **RHS Flower Show -**

### **Christ the King School Garden Club**

If you are attending the RHS Flower Show in Bute Park this weekend... please look out for the Christ the King School Garden Club's wheelbarrow entry in the Schools Wheelbarrow competition.

If you like what you see please vote for us!

**There will be a Tai Chi Class this Thursday 18 April 10 - 11am in Christ the King Parish Centre.**

**Note: There will be no LIFT Class next week (Thursday 25 April) due to my holiday arrangements. Many apologies for any inconvenience**

**~ Linda**

Easter cards are for sale in a box on the table at back of church.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### ***Eucharistic Adoration St Paul's***

Please note that there will be no Eucharistic Adoration at St Paul's on Wednesdays 17 & 24 April. We will resume after Easter on Wednesday 1 May.

### **"I have called you by your name" (Isaiah 43:1)**

To be able to do this, the parish is undertaking a census of all those who attend St Paul's and St Brigid's Churches to provide us with a full and comprehensive Parish Register. Parishioners, new and old like to feel they belong. It has been too many years since our records were amended and is now sadly out of date. Over the next few weeks blank cards will be available for you to complete.

These cards require your:

Name, date of birth, address, email, mobile, landline number, and your parish.

On the reverse of the card we ask details of: -

Names and dates of birth of any other adults and young people (under 18) who live at your address. We would ask you to post your completed card in the box at the back of the Church, so that we can begin to formulate our New Parish Register.

We will fully comply with the Data Protection Act and no information will be passed on. By giving us this information you are agreeing for us to store your details in a secure place.

Alternatively, you can use the following email address giving the required information -

[PAC3CHURCHES@gmail.com](mailto:PAC3CHURCHES@gmail.com)

**Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**

|        |         |             |                                            |                 |
|--------|---------|-------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Sat.   | 6pm     | C the K     | <b>Peter Murphy (Murphy Family)</b>        |                 |
| Sun.   | 9am     | St Paul's   | <b>The Sick of the Parish</b>              | Palm Sunday     |
|        | 9am     | C the K     | <b>Louise Cleaver (M Bryon)</b>            |                 |
|        | 11am    | St Brigid's | <b>Albert James Lewis</b>                  |                 |
|        | 6pm     | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                |                 |
| Mon.   | 9.30am  | St Brigid's | <b>Geoffrey Pullen</b>                     |                 |
|        | 12.30pm | C the K     | <b>Requiem Mass: Peter McCavera</b>        |                 |
| Tues.  | 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Raymond O'Hare (D Scanlan)</b>          |                 |
| Wed.   | 11.30am | Cathedral   | <b>Chrism Mass</b>                         |                 |
| Thurs. | 8pm     | St Brigid's | <b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>           | Maundy Thursday |
| Fri.   | 3pm     | St Paul's   | <b>Commemoration of the Passion</b>        | Good Friday     |
|        | 3pm     | C the K     | <b>Commemoration of the Lord's Passion</b> |                 |

**Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup> Easter Sunday**

|      |        |             |                                                                                                              |               |
|------|--------|-------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Sat. | 8.30pm | C the K     | <b>Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter (Sick and housebound of the 3 Churches; People of the Parishes)</b> | Holy Saturday |
| Sun. | 9am    | St Paul's   | <b>Thanksgiving Dixon, Nathan, Delijuries and Held Fams</b>                                                  | Easter Sunday |
|      | 9am    | C the K     | <b>Mary Taylor (Taylor Family) Baptism: Harry Oliver Biggs</b>                                               |               |
|      | 11am   | St Brigid's | <b>Children of the Parishes</b>                                                                              |               |
|      | 6pm    | St Brigid's | <b>Dec'd Camilleri Fam</b>                                                                                   |               |

**Praying for our Neighbours**

Please remember in your prayers this week our neighbours in  
**Duffryn Avenue**  
**Holmeside, Millfield & Millbrook Park**  
**Torrens Drive**  
 who have received prayer cards in the last few days.

**Cycle of Prayer**

Pray for St Peter's Roath, for Father's Sagi Domini,  
 Shinto Kumminiyil and Jim McKnight (retired),  
 Deacon Mike Randell and for St Peter's Primary School.

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 Parish Council Chairs**

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**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Christ the King**  
 Tuesday 10am - 1pm  
**St. Paul's**  
 Re-starts 1 May  
**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** £ 599.40  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 560.51  
**Total** £ 1159.91  
**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**  
**Gift Aid** £ 251.44  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 377.10  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 424.75  
**Total** £ 1053.29

**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, Gloria Chapman, Mary Clarke, Corey-Jay Coles, Terry Culbertson, Elizabeth Cunningham, Agnes Davies, Win Drury, Sheila Ferriter, Emily, Patrick Harris, Jean Hill, Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Michael Mathews, Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, John Reardon, Claire Richards, Anne Roach, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Genoveva Urriaga, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.