

3 CHURCHES NEWS

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Sundays December 20 & 27th 2020 Christmas (Year B) Issue 51/20
Corona Virus – Help a Parishioner. If you are well and able to do so, please offer to help our older & more vulnerable parishioners who may need assistance during this uncertain time.



A very happy, safe and peaceful Christmas to all parishioners and friends of our 3 Churches
from Fr Matthew, Fr Andy and Fr Peter.

~ Sunday 20 December – Fourth Sunday of Advent ~

Response to the Psalm: I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the handmaid of the Lord: Let what you have said be done to me. Alleluia!

1st Reading: Samuel 7:1-5. 8-12. 14.16 **2nd Reading:** Romans 16:25-27 **Gospel:** Luke 1: 26-38

~ Sunday 27 December – Holy Family ~

Response to the Psalm: He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his covenant for ever.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days he has spoken to us through his Son. Alleluia!

1st Reading: Genesis 15:1-6. 21:1-3 **2nd Reading:** Hebrews 11:8. 11-12. 17-19 **Gospel:** Luke 2: 22-40

CHRISTMAS MASSES – Please note that the three **Christmas Eve Masses** are fully booked. There are some places still available at the **morning Masses**. Remember that all seats must be booked (See Advent sheet for details). **Masks** must be worn in church at all times. Please be aware that at present we need to keep the doors and windows of the churches open at all services to allow for maximum ventilation. **Don't forget your coat!**

“BAMBINELLI” VISITS TO THE CRIB – This week children are invited to make a short visit to the church bringing the **Baby Jesus** from their crib at home. They can spend some time visiting the crib, have their baby Jesus blessed, and then take Him back home to wrap up and open on Christmas morning as the first present of Christmas. Children are also invited to make a **tree decoration** at home to hang on the Christmas tree in church and write their name on a star.

Tuesday 22 December 10.30 – 11.30am Christ the King

Tuesday 22 December 2.30 – 3.30pm St Brigid's

Wednesday 23 December 10.30 – 11.30am St Paul's

Each of the churches will be open for an hour on the dates above, and children may be brought to any of the 3 churches for a short visit during those times.

MASS TIMES – Morning Mass at Christ the King on 24th December will be at 11am. There will be no evening Mass on Saturday 26th at Christ the King (Boxing Day)

CHRISTMAS OFFERING – The collection at all of the Masses over the Christmas Octave (24 December – 2 January) will be our Christmas offering to the clergy. Collection baskets will be on the tables at church exits, or offerings can be put in a marked envelope and left at the presbytery or CTK Office.

VIRTUAL CAROL SERVICE – Sunday 20 December, 6.45 for a 7pm start.

Zoom code: 865 017 3340 password: coffee

Please have a candle with you and the congregational order of service (circulated via email with this newsletter) Don't forget a mince pie or two for after the service too!

R.I.P. – Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Katy Perkins** and **Mary Clarke**, whose funerals are on Monday and Wednesday this week, and **Eileen Blyth** whose funeral will be in the New Year. We remember their families and friends in our prayers. Eternal rest grant to them, Lord.

Liturgy of the Word from Mass Sundays on Zoom. This interactive service allows you to share in Mass and singing hymns! Open to everyone in our 3 Churches. For code & password, contact Kath Liddington (liddingtonk@talktalk.net)

SAFEGUARDING – Pat Williams (St Brigid's)

NHS TRACK, TRACE, PROTECT – Use the **NHS Track & Trace App** to scan the QR code each time you enter the church. Alternatively, you can fill in a paper contact form. **KEEP SAFE!**

Sunday December 20 th Fourth Sunday of Advent			
SATURDAY 6.00pm	Christ the King	Mary Taylor	
SUNDAY 9.00am 9.00am 10.30am 6.00pm 7.00pm	Christ the King	Clegg Family (Bailey); Nora Heslop	Fourth Sunday of Advent
	St Paul's	Andrew Morris	
	St Brigid's	Shirley Fernando	
	St Brigid's	People of the Parishes	
	Zoom	Carol Service	
MONDAY 9.30am	St Brigid's	Nora Heslop	St Peter Canisius
TUESDAY 9.30am	Christ the King	Don Barry	
WEDNESDAY 9.30am	St Paul's	Josephine Camilleri	St John of Kanty
THURSDAY 11.00am 6.00pm 6.00pm 8.00pm	Christ the King	All Parishioners	Christmas Eve
	Christ the King	Maria Al Haddad (Family)	
	St Paul's	James & Mary McManus (McManus)	
	St Brigid's	People of the Parishes	
FRIDAY 9.00am 9.00am 10.30am	St Paul's	Maureen Muscat	Christmas Day
	Christ the King	Sister Kathleen Brown	
	St Brigid's	Fr Martin Williams	
	Christ the King	Mary Taylor	
SATURDAY 9.30am	St Brigid's	Jack & Sheila Halbert	St Stephen
Sunday December 27 th The Holy Family			
SUNDAY 9.00am 9.00am 10.30am 6.00pm	Christ the King	Dec'd Nash & Harley Families (Bailey)	The Holy Family
	St Paul's	David & Tim Cole	
	St Brigid's	People of the Parish	
	St Brigid's	Deceased of 2020	
MONDAY 9.30am	St Brigid's	Special Intention	Holy Innocents
TUESDAY 9.30am	Christ the King	Nancy Hansen (Brown)	St Thomas Beckett
WEDNESDAY 9.30am	St Paul's	Richard Perry (Conway)	
THURSDAY 9.30am 7.30pm	Christ the King	Fred & Teresa Dartnell	(Vigil)
	St Brigid's	For 2020 and 2021	
FRIDAY 10.00am	St Paul's	Sister Margaret Daley	Mary, Mother of God
SATURDAY	St Brigid's	Baptism	Sts Basil & Gregory Nazianzen

Sunday January 3 rd 2 nd Sunday of Christmas			
SATURDAY 6.00pm	Christ the King	Dorothy Armstrong (Cunningham)	
SUNDAY 9.00am 9.00am 10.30am 6.00pm	Christ the King	Mary Sullivan (Bailey)	2nd Sunday of Christmas
	St Paul's	Andrew Morris	
	St Brigid's	People of the Parishes	
	St Brigid's	Dan O'Neill	

~~ FR ANDY'S JOKE TIME ~~ I filled up at a Shell garage – The cashier was a snail!

50Club Winners: December 1. Lynette Duggan (111) £50. 2. Adela Rogers (53) £40
3. Mrs C Rundle (22) £20 4. Mr D Evans (96) £13
This year £673 has been raised for the SVP through the 50 Club. Thanks for your support.

Help needed at Christ the King

~ We are in **urgent** need of **stewards** for the weekday Masses. If you can help, please contact Marie in the parish office (llanishen@rcadc.org 2075 3945)

~ We urgently need volunteers to help with **church cleaning**. If you can help for approximately an hour once a fortnight, please contact Marie as above as soon as possible. Thank you.

Newsletter – If you know of anyone in our 3 churches who would like a newsletter delivered to them please let CTK parish office know (2075 3945 llanishen@rcadc.org) or consider taking an extra one to give to a friend or neighbour.

Praying for our Neighbours - Even if we cannot deliver prayer cards, we will continue to pray during the coming fortnight for our neighbours in... St Malo Road, Clos Mair, Kimberley Terrace, St Brioc Road, Woodland Crescent & Everest Avenue.

Cycle of Prayer - We continue to pray for the parishes and communities of our diocese. This fortnight prayer is for All Saints, Ebbw Vale, pp Fr Richard Aziati, All Saints School and Aneurin Bevan Hospital, and St Mary & St Michael, Llanarth, pp Dom Matthew Carney and Deacon Anthony Mulcahy.

Please remember the following in your prayers, who are unwell at this time:

Mary Amugan, Chris Babu, Edith Baker, Ann Brown, EAB, John Campbell, Corey-Jay Coles, Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Win Drury, Sheila Ferriter, Emily, Maria Hill, Doreen Elizabeth Hughes, Caitriona Lovell, Michael Matthews, Miranda Meldrum, Dominic Morgan, Sarah Morris, Brendan Murphy, Kate Murphy, Niamh Murphy, Audrey Nelson, Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, John Reardon, Ann Rees, Claire Richards, Anne Roach, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Paula Tunncliffe, Genoveve Urriaga, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.



Oh Holy Night