

THREE CHURCHES CARDIFF CONFIRMATION 2021

Thursday 15th July 2021 at St Brigid's Church, Cardiff

Saturday 17th July 2021 at Christ the King Church, Cardiff

Main Celebrant Canon Matthew Jones
Assisted by Fr Andrea Bord





WELCOME BY CANON MATTHEW

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading from the Prophet Isaiah (11:1-4)

A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse, on him the spirit of the Lord rests,
a spirit of wisdom and insight, a spirit of counsel and power,
a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

The fear of the Lord is his breath.

He does not judge by appearances, he gives no verdict on hearsay,
but judges the wretched with integrity, and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the
land.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm . **Psalm 104** (1,24,27-28,30-31,33-34)

The response is:

Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are.
How many are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have made them all.

Response

The earth is full of your riches.
All of these look to you to give them their food in due season.
You give it, they gather it up:
you open your hand, they have their fill.

Response

You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth.
May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!

Response

I will sing to the Lord all my life,
make music to my God while I live.
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord

Response

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (2:106)

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language.



The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (John 15:26-27)

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of truth will be my witness, and you too will be witnesses, says the Lord.

Alleluia!



A Reading from the Holy Gospel Matthew 5: 1-12

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called children of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.' 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord

HOMILY



Presentation Candidates

As the names of each Candidate are read out they stand and respond:
"I am here"

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Laying on of Hands

Anointing with oil of Chrism

Prayers of Intercession

Canon Matthew: My dear people, let us humbly pray to God the Almighty Father and be of one mind in our prayer, just as faith, hope and charity, which proceed from his Holy Spirit, are one.

1. Let us pray for your Church. That all who follow Jesus will truly come to live in the unity of the Holy Spirit. We pray for those gathered here who have received the gifts of the Holy Spirit, may each one of us bear witness to the Lord by our way of life,

LORD HEAR US. LORD GRACIOUSLY HEAR US

2. Let us pray for our world and its leaders. That all God's children might open their hearts to the Holy Spirit's call to live in peace. We remember too our parents and sponsors: that by word and example they may continue to encourage us in the faith to follow in the footsteps of Christ,

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3. Let us pray for all those who are suffering in our world today. Grant them comfort and assistance from hearts and hands stirred by the Holy Spirit to bring them Christ's love. Help each one of us to see that all people, who have one maker and Father, may acknowledge one another as brothers and sisters, without discrimination of race or nation, and with sincere hearts.

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4. Let us pray for Pope Francis and all those who help us grow as disciples of Jesus. We ask that God might strengthen the gifts of the Holy Spirit in their lives as they continue leading us in faith.

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5. We pray for ourselves and all who are praying with us in this beautiful sacramental celebration today. That our hearts might always be places where the gifts of the Holy Spirit will grow. May these gifts bear abundant fruits in our lives as disciples of the Lord Jesus – to build up his body in this life and lead one another in love into the next.

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We ask our Blessed Mother Mary to take all our prayers to her son as we say

Hail Mary.....

Amen

We pray silently for our own needs

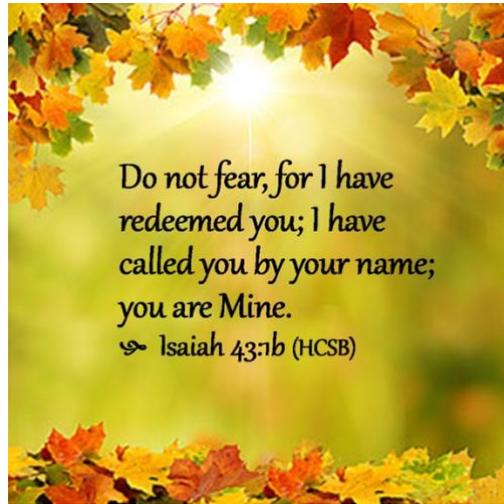
Canon Matthew: O God, who gave the Holy Spirit to your Apostles and willed that through them and their successors the same Spirit be handed on to the rest of the faithful, listen favourably to our prayer, and grant that your divine grace, which was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, may now spread through the hearts of those who believe in you.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Liturgy of the Eucharist

Communion



SENDING FORTH

Our candidates this year are:

Those Confirmed in St Brigids

Alys Eibeck
Alex Silvey
Luke McGrath
Harry Eibeck

Those Confirmed at Christ the King

Annelise Grey
Samuel Rein
Lewys Rees
Samuel Bicker
Ryan Watkins
Abigail Thomas
Ellie Hopkins
Nahshon Rodreguez
Sofia Pratalli
Lara Foster
Lucy Coles
Jessica Hester
Harry Sprudd
James Sprudd
James Condon
Jacek Klosowski



*'The spirit of the Lord has been given to me,
for he has anointed me.
He has sent me to bring good news to the poor,
to proclaim liberty to captives
and to the blind, new sight;
to set the downtrodden free,
to proclaim the Lord's year of favour'*

(Isaiah 61.1; Luke 4.18)