

3 CHURCHES NEWS

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Sunday September 26th 2021 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B)

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Dear friends and parishioners



Bishop Sherrington, our lead Bishop for Life Issues, has written an open letter inviting Catholics to pray for the defeat of the **Assisted Dying Bill**. Here are some extracts:

In the next weeks, we face an unprecedented attack on the sanctity of life with Baroness Meacher's 'Assisted Dying Bill 2021' due its 2nd Reading in the House of Lords with full debate on Friday 22 October. The term 'Assisted Dying' is euphemistic, the truth is that this bill seeks to introduce Assisted Suicide. If legalised, this Bill would allow a terminally ill adult with less than 6 months to live to be assisted in committing suicide. Catholic teaching opposes assisting suicide, since life is a gift to be cared for and preserved until its natural death. The Church is clear that we cannot directly choose to take the life of another, even if they request it.

* First, I ask you to **pray** that the Bill will be defeated.

* Second, I ask you to **write** to the Peers from your personal experience and share stories which will argue the reasons for opposing the Bill as well as narrate the importance of precious time during the final stages of life. The testimony of healthcare and legal professionals will also be important. This needs to be done before the Second Reading on 22 October.

* Third, I ask you to **engage and share** stories and reasons against the Bill on social media. Briefing papers will be available on the bishops' conference website to assist you as this work develops.

www.cbcew.org.uk ~ Fr Matthew

Response to the Psalm: The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

1st Reading: Numbers 11:25-29 **2nd Reading:** James 5:1-6 **Gospel:** Mark 9:38-43.45.47-48

BAPTISMS – This Saturday we have welcomed into the Church **Darcie Walsh**, and next Saturday **Ruby Biggs**, both at St Brigid's. Please remember their parents and god-parents in your prayers.

CARDIFF MARTYRS – The recently verified relics of **Sts John Lloyd and Philip Evans** will be brought to Cardiff next month from their home at Stonyhurst in Lancashire. From Thursday 21st to Sunday 24th October there will be several events in Cardiff to mark this, so look out for further details.

MASS COUNT – We are asked to take a Mass count during these **last two weekends of September and the first two weekends of October**, including the Saturday Vigil Masses. In order to make the count as accurate as possible, we should make separate counts for each Sunday Mass (i.e., Saturday evening & Sunday), to include everyone (including children) present at Mass. St Brigid's and St Paul's should forward figures to Fr Matthew, and Christ the King to Marie O'Brien. Thank you.

Link to Hope Shoebox Appeal – The leaflets for the annual Shoebox Appeal can be found in the porch of Christ the King. All shoeboxes need to be with Vickie Adshead (07776 497946) by 5 November.

Liturgy of the Word from Mass – Sunday evenings at **6pm**. Open to everyone in our 3 Churches. The Zoom code is: 9851280988. The Password is: Church.

SAFEGUARDING – St Brigid’s: Pat Williams | St Paul’s: Carl French | Christ the King: Christine Williams (07543 105768; chriswilliams.wales1@gmail.com); Neil Powell (07966 015885; neilpowell@gmail.com)

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!**

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SATURDAY 6.00pm	Christ the King	Mary Taylor (Taylor Family)	
SUNDAY 9.00am 9.00am 10.30am 6.00pm	Christ the King	Lorenzo Marcelli (Falsini Family)	26th Sunday of Ordinary Time
	St Paul’s	People of the Parish	
	St Brigid’s	Ryan Moore	
	St Brigid’s	<i>Available</i>	
MONDAY 9.30am	St Brigid’s	Special Intention	St Vincent de Paul
TUESDAY 12 noon	Christ the King	Requiem Mass: Priscilla Quinn	
WEDNESDAY 9.30am	St Paul’s	Holy Souls	Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael
THURSDAY 10.45am	Christ the King School	Welcome Mass	St Jerome
FRIDAY 9.30am	St Paul’s	Sick & Housebound	St Therese of Lisieux
SATURDAY 9.30am 11.30am 6.00pm	St Brigid’s	<i>Available</i>	Guardian Angels
	St Brigid’s	Baptism: Ruby Biggs	
	Christ the King	Valentine Rascon (S & D Mitchell)	
SUNDAY 9.00am 9.00am 10.30am 6.00pm	Christ the King	Bernadette Charles (P Charles)	27th Sunday of Ordinary Time
	St Paul’s	People of the Parish	
	St Brigid’s	Holy Souls	
	St Brigid’s	Deanery Special Intention	

Requiem Mass – Please note there will be no 9.30am Mass at Christ the King this Tuesday as the Requiem Mass for Priscilla Quinn will take place here at 12 noon.

CAFOD Family Fast Day – Climate Crisis Appeal. This Family Fast Day, donate in the parish using a CAFOD envelope (available this weekend to be returned to church on 2 / 3 October) or online at www.cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis

Christ the King Primary School – The New Curriculum for Wales will be implemented in Welsh schools from September 2022. At Christ the King, we would like our fellow pupils, parents, staff members, governors and members of the Parish and wider community’s thoughts and contributions to our curriculum development work. This short survey will only take a few minutes and we welcome all contributions. Complete the survey here: <https://bit.ly/39k6ML5>

Praying for our Neighbours – We continue to pray during the coming week for our neighbours in... Hampton Crescent East, Doe Close & Carlton Close.

Cycle of Prayer – The diocese prays this week for Our Lady of Lourdes, Gabalfa, part of St Teilo’s, pp Canon John Griffiths and Polish chaplain Fr Michael Oszczudlowski.

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, Win Drury, Emily, Baby Francesca, Patrick Harris, Maria Hill, Ray Hudson, Caitriona Lovell, Michael Mathews, Miranda Meldrum, Dominic Morgan, Sarah Morris, Brendan Murphy, Kate Murphy, Niamh Murphy, Audrey Nelson, Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, Bob Pugsley, John Reardon, Claire Richards, Anne Roach, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Bev Tumelty, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward, Emma Warlow, & Dorothy Warren.