

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID



CWMBRAN

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SUNDAY 14th JUNE 2015

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PSALTER WEEK 3

How does a tree grow? The scientists can give us their answers, but the miracle of life on our earth, in all its dazzling complexity and variety is exactly that - a miracle. God is responsible for the miracle of Nature and growth - how, we don't know, but we accept God's guiding hand as a fact of our faith. This mysterious growth in Nature is used as a parable today, for the life of the Church and the Kingdom of God. Just as a seed, planted and watered, turns by miraculous processes into something different and bigger and beautiful, so the seed of the Gospel will grow into something else, by some means we can never fully understand. And that is the grace of God, encouraging, prompting and helping all men and women of good will to swell the coming Kingdom of our

The Psalm

It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

First Reading: Ezekiel 17: 22-24

Second Reading: 2 Cor 5: 6-10

Gospel Reading: Mark 4: 26-34

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer: Mon, Tues & Thurs 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	St Anthony and Padre Pio (AD)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Yvonne Cameron (CJG) 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Jo & Rees Parlow's ints (Golden Wedding)
	11.15am	St David's	Penny James (LR)
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	The People of the Parish
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Brennan Family (BB)
Wednesday	2.00pm	Our Lady's	Louise and Jack James (G&RJ)
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Special Intention (CJG)
Friday	9.00am	Our Lady's	Mary Martin (MBM)
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Ints Mary Oliver and Friends (MK)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Sheila McPortland (JM) 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Roseanne Desmond: James O'Brien: Ernest H. Davies
	11.15am	St David's	People of the Parish

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues: St David's:

10am -11.30am

Fri: Our Lady's:

9.30am -5.00pm

RECONCILIATION

Our Lady's:

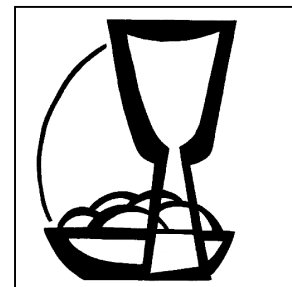
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St David's:

3.45pm -4.15pm

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen

Congratulations to Canon John on the 32nd anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood (June 18th)



Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid	£381.50
Non Gift Aid	£692.63
Gift Aid Standing Order	£121.73
Total giving this week	£1195.86
Mass Count: 456	

Sick List

Please pray for the sick of our parish especially Marie McLaren, Hugh Williams, George Whitfield, Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Tom and Hazel McCarthy, Jean Olearczyk, Goff James, Reg & Mary Leigh, Peter Lee, Mary Reilly, Phillip & Doreen Hayton Barbara Berger, Mary Brown, Lilian Cody, Megan Donnelly, Peggy Wickett, Mieczyslan Kopec, George Powell, Trevor Jenkins, Bill Gale, Chris Bowditch, Mavis Thomas, Mary Crescenzi and all who care for them.

Confirmation 2015

Our congratulations to the Young Parishioners and one Adult who were confirmed last Thursday by Archbishop George Stack. A big thank you for making this possible to the Confirmation Catechists, Deacon Peter, the organist and choir, the parents who provided the refreshments for the celebration afterwards and especially to the parishioners who supported the celebration.

Building Missionary parishes:

Pope Francis has called on us all to be 'missionary disciples' – people who invite others to become followers of Jesus and members of His Church. But how do we do that? How can we encourage resting Catholics to become active, or people who have never been part of the Church to become interested in Jesus? On **11 July**, representatives from our Archdiocese will join others from across England and Wales in Birmingham to share ideas on how to do this effectively, and every parish is asked to hold a prayer vigil on that evening – the event is called **Proclaim'15**. (The representatives from our diocese have already been chosen, and were selected to ensure a fair spread of geography and different groups.)

Missio APF-MILL HILL MISSION MASS

On Sunday 5th July 2015 at Llantarnam Abbey at 3pm. All APF members, their families and friends are invited. Please contact Rita Draisey at OLA or Mel Pearce in St David's. See poster for details

Gift Aid Offertory

Please can the parishioner who is using pink envelope number 32 advise the Parish office who they are so that tax can be claimed. contact 01633 482346

Then, on **10 October**, we will have our own 'Proclaim'15' diocesan conference at St David's Sixth Form College in Cardiff. Applications for this are now open. We guarantee to make available one place for a representative of every place of worship where Sunday Mass is celebrated in the Archdiocese of Cardiff if bookings are made by 7 pm on Monday 20 July. The cost will be £15 per adult participant, payable to "Archdiocese of Cardiff", which includes tea and coffee throughout the day, and a hot buffet lunch. We can also accommodate children aged 4-16 at no extra charge – children will have their own programme of events during the day.

Brochures with more information, and booking forms, are now available in your local church, or you can download a copy directly at: tinyurl.com/P15CF-info

Home is a Holy Place

Parents, Grandparents, Carers and Parishioners are invited to explore "Home is a Holy Place" together in Our Lady of the Angels RC Primary & Nursery School, Cwmbran on **Monday June 15th 2015** 9am for a 9.15 start (1 x 1½ hour sessions) Home is a Holy Place aims to raise greater awareness of God's presence at home not just among families but among all those who serve them in any way within our Catholic community. See notice in the porch for more details

SPUC'S ANNUAL WALK

This will take place on 28th June. Tina Davies and Molly McDonald will be attending Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses to collect names of people wishing to sponsor our walkers.

Parish Directory

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Parish Diary this Week

Tues	10.00am 6.30pm	St David's: Divine Mercy Group St David's: SVP
	2.00pm	Our Lady's: Social Club
Wed	10.00am 2.30pm	St David's: Choir Practice Our Lady's: UCM

Lord, we thank you for the gift of faith, a gift meant to change our lives and lead us to heaven. Help us to know our faith more deeply, live our faith more fully and share our faith more freely with others. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

