



Parish of Our Lady and St David, Cwmbran

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8th NOVEMBER 2014

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

PSALTER WEEK 4

First Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

Second Reading: 1Cor 3:9-11, 16-17

Gospel: John 2: 13-22

Psalm (All)

God is for us a refuge and strength, a helper close at hand, in time of distress: so we shall not fear though the earth should rock, though the mountains fall into the depths of the sea. The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within, it cannot be shaken; God will help it at the dawning of the day. The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our stronghold. Come, consider the works of the Lord, the redoubtable deeds he has done on the earth.

A most unusual feast! The Lateran Basilica is the Cathedral of the Diocese of Rome an ancient church first built near the walls of the city of Rome by the Emperor Constantine at the beginning of the fourth century. Every Diocese in the world celebrates the feast of the Dedication of their own Cathedral, since the cathedral is the mother and head of all the churches in the Diocese. The Lateran Basilica, since it is the place where the Pope has his "cathedra" or Episcopal throne, has the title "Mother and Head of all the Churches of the City and the World". On this day we both celebrate and pray for the unity of those churches gathered in communion with the successor of Saint Peter. The marbles and mosaics of the Lateran, which together form a splendid and beautiful building, are a sign of the beauty of God's family, the Church, gathered in worship – the living stones of the temple of the Lord. This is a day to reflect on how this building, and cathedrals and churches everywhere are not just meeting-places, but visible signs to the world of the Body of Christ in prayer.

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

TEA, COFFEE, BISCUITS and a CHAT in St Anne's room after 9.30am Mass today and every Sunday

Morning Prayer: Mon, Tues & Thurs 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Bryan Kennedy (M&JK)	
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Christopher Hartigan (M&JH)	<i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Feast)</i>
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Les Chittleburgh (CC)	
	11.15am	St David's	For the Dead of War	
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	The People of the Parish	<i>St Leo the Great, Pope</i>
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Holy Souls	<i>St Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>
Wednesday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Betty Fitzgerald (DO'B)	<i>St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr</i>
	7.00pm	Our Lady's	Service of Memories	
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Patrick Cunningham (O&BW)	
Friday	9.00am	Our Lady's	Ruth (RIP)and family Ints (MD)	<i>St Dyfrig, Bishop</i>
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Rose & Jack Clifford : Brodie Evans & Family (DS)	
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Sue Jenkins (PJ)	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Angela Hanlon's Ints (CM)	
	11.15am	St David's	Wellbeing of Sr Joan Ware (KB)	

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
SATURDAY

Our Lady's Church
12noon -12.30pm
St David's Church
3.45pm – 4.15pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday: St David's Church 10.am -12pm: Friday: Our Lady's Church 9.30am – 5pm

Service of Memories Wednesday 12th November at 7pm in Our Lady of the Angels Church

"Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them. St John Chrysostom (349/350-349)

Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid	£467.50
Non Gift Aid	£731.91
Gift Aid Standing Order	£121.73
Total giving this week	£1321.14
Mass Count: 435	

What's on this week

Tues	10.00am	St David's: Divine Mercy Group
	2.00pm	Our Lady's: Social Club
Wed	10.00am	St David's: Choir Practice
	7.00pm	Our Lady's: Service of Memories
Thurs	10.00am	St David's: Legion of Mary
	7.00pm	Our Lady's: RCIA Course

NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

Envelopes for the November Dead lists are available in the church porch

Service of Memories:

Wednesday 12th November at 7pm in Our Lady's Church. We remember especially at this service the parishioners who have died during the past year.

St David's Church Cleaning



You are invited to join us at Saint David's for a grand pre-Christmas church cleaning followed by tea and mince pies on **Tuesday 11th November at 12noon.** If you can spare just a short time to help you will be very welcome as many hands make light work



Piety Stalls at Our Lady's and St David's

Christmas cards, diaries and calendars are now on sale

Reminder for Eucharistic Ministers

Please give Canon John the names and contact numbers of the sick and housebound parishioners you visit.

Sale to be held in St Non's room, St David's Church on Saturday, 29 November 2014 at 1.00 pm

UCM Sale

The UCM are holding a cake, jam, marmalade and pickles sale after Mass on Saturday 13th December and Sunday 14th December.

Christmas Draw

The UCM will be selling raffle tickets on 1st December at £1 per strip for a food hamper and other prizes.

Hearts of Gold Christmas Carol Concert 4th December

St David's Metropolitan Cathedral, Charles Street Cardiff
Join us in the beautiful surroundings of St David's Cathedral for this festive favourite Carol Concert by candle light. The Concert features artists from Welsh National Opera, Soloists from Cardiff International Academy of Voice, Local Choirs and Celebrity Readers.
7.30pm Tickets £5.00 Contact 02920 786521

Readers' Notes for Saturday evening/Sunday

Approach the sanctuary together and bow to the altar. Announce the reading: **A reading from.....**
please do not say: The reading is taken from..... or The first/second reading is.....

End the reading: **The word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm At Our Lady's the psalm will be sung. At St David's the psalm will be recited by everyone, it will be printed on the front of the newsletter.

After the readings the readers go to the front of the altar and bow.

St Alban's Catholic High School, Pontypool

is looking to appoint a Clerk to the Governing Body from January 2015. The post will include, among other responsibilities, the preparation of Agendas and distribution of papers in advance of the main Governing Body meetings (3 per annum), the Recruitment and Resources Sub-Committee (monthly in term time) and the Performance and Improvement Sub-Committee (4 per annum), and the taking of minutes at these meetings. There is an honorarium of £1000 p.a. If you have previous experience of being a Clerk to a Governing Body, then please email Father Hayman, Vice-Chair of the Governing Body, with a CV, before 21st November, at priest@pontypoolparish.co.uk"

Archdiocese of Cardiff Commission for Christian Unity

Fiftieth anniversary of the Decree *Unitatis*

Redintegratio

(*The Restoration of Unity*) on 21st November 2014

The Archdiocesan Commission for Christian Unity has published a small book, entitled 'Towards Christian Unity', to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the promulgation of *Unitatis Redintegratio (The Restoration of Unity- the Decree of the Second Vatican Council on Ecumenism)*. This book which can be photocopied, is now available for downloading from the diocesan website <http://www.rcadc.co.uk/christian-unity-commission.html> The Commission hopes this bilingual book will be useful for personal prayer and reflection and a help to groups in their discussions and prayer together – especially for local 'Churches Together' and 'Cytûn' groups.

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