



**PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID
CWMBRAN**
(Registered Charity No. 242380)

Tea, coffee & a chat in St Anne's Room after Mass every Sunday

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22nd January 2017

THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Psalter Week 3

He went and settled in Capernaum: in this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled.

We will spend most of the Sundays of the coming year in the company of Saint Matthew. His Gospel (like the others has its own characteristics. He is writing for a Jewish audience, and so is always at pains to stress one thing: that Jesus of Nazareth was the promised Messiah. He does this by reference to Jesus' teaching and miracles, and very often by quoting the prophecies of the Old Testament to show that Jesus was their fulfilment. Today is a perfect example. "Zebulun and Naphthali" was an old name for the area round Capernaum by the side of the Lake of Galilee, a busy fishing and trading area, with many Gentile towns and settlements: it is here, rather than in the dangerous town of Nazareth, that Jesus "settles" and begins his ministry. This is where the proclamation of the Kingdom of God begins, as was foretold, and the first followers are invited to join Jesus.

PSALM

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?
There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life,
to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple.
I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord!

First Reading : Isaiah 8: 23-9:3

Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:10-13,17

Gospel: Mathew 4:12-23

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri at 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri at 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Kay Underwood (CG): Vincent & May Armstrong (J&VA)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Sheila Jones (VL) 3rd Sunday Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Peggy & John Clack (J&A): May & Austin Pearse (UR)
	11.15am	St David's	The People of the Parish
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Ints Carole Morgan (PP)
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Phillip Powell (YJ) <i>St Francis de Sales, Bishop</i>
Wednesday	11.00am	Our Lady's	Barry Warren (VW) Conversion of St Paul, Feast
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Tony Webb <i>Sts Timothy and Titus, Bishops</i>
Friday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Thanksgiving Sts Anthony & Padre Pio
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Veronica & Malcom Southwood(LR): Ints Richard Bartell AR)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	George Whitfield (KS) 4th Sunday Ordinary Time
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Tom & Annie Pinkie (AB): Ints Burnett Family (AB)
	11.15am	St David's	Tony Webb (J&HG)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Tues: St David's
10am -11.30am**

**Fri: Our Lady's:
9.30am-5.00pm**

RECONCILIATION

**Our Lady's
Sat 12.00-12.30pm
St David's
Sat 3.45-4.15pm**

Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th -25th January

The United Service will be held in St David's this Sunday 22nd January at 6pm led by Canon John.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK IS FOR SPUC'S WHITE FLOWER APPEAL

Your giving to your Parish: Many Thanks

Gift Aid:	£447.50
Non Gift Aid:	£639.24
Gift Aid Standing Order:	£184.73
Total giving:	£1,271.47
Mass Count :	413

Sick List

Please pray for the sick and housebound especially Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Tom and Hazel McCarthy, John Kane, Mary Lee, Jean Olearczyk, Goff & Rose James, Mary Reilly, Bill Gale, Margaret Gallagher, Doreen Hayton, Pauline Duval, Barbara Berger, Megan Donnelly, Peggy Wickett, Kathleen Eyre, George Powell, Trevor Jenkins, Patricia Robins, Mavis Thomas, Mel Pearce, Ian Werrett, Michael Williams, Pat Mulligan, Violet Thomas, Frances Brown, Rev Anthony Tumulty O.S.B. Fr Michael Cronin, Betty Lake, Derek Miller, John and Bridie Rainsford, Sean Gilgunn, Barbara Pold, Eileen Dickens, Anne Savoury, Mary Ralph, Pat Parfitt, Sr Celsus, Carolyn Gallagher & all who care for them.

Requiescant in Pace

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Peggy Wells and Sr Alphonse SSJ who died this week. We offer our condolences to their families and the Abbey Community.

First Reconciliation

The first class for parents and children will take place on Monday 30th January in St Anne's room at Our Lady of the Angels Church at 5.30pm. Forms are available from the Parish.

Baptism Preparation Classes

Will take place on Tuesday 24th January and Tuesday 1st February at 6pm in St Anne's Room at Our Lady of the Angels Church.

Marriage Preparation Facilitators needed

Marriage Care is a faith-based organisation which draws on its Catholic Christian tradition and contemporary research to help couples in both good times and bad. We provide marriage preparation & relationship counselling and are looking for volunteers to join our friendly team in Newport to help prepare couples for the Sacrament of Marriage. Our **Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators** present and facilitate marriage preparation days for small groups of engaged couples (training is provided).

For more information or to apply, visit:

www.marriagecare.org.uk or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL (SPUC)

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) is holding its annual appeal this weekend. In 2017 SPUC commemorates the 50th Anniversary of the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act. Over 8.7 million unborn children have lost their lives due to abortion in the last 50 years. Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC and help save mothers and babies from abortion.

"FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT"

Are you looking for something for you & your family to do on a Saturday in those dark afternoons after Christmas? Well look no further. On **Saturday 28th January** we will be running an afternoon for all the family from **2pm to 5pm**. There will be workshops looking at the **Journey from Christmas to Easter with St Matthew**. There will be sessions for small children up to age 10; youth sessions for young people from 11 to 16 and two separate workshops for adults. There is also a training session for children's liturgists. There's something for everyone even refreshments! Put the date in your diary & keep watching this space. **Oh, and by the way, it's Free!**

Catholic Bible School: Heroes of the Old Testament:

On Saturday 28th January at 10am to 3pm at St David's Priory, Swansea, Alan de Ste Croix will lead us through the entire Old Testament exploring the stories of the major characters and why they are still relevant to us today. This day is Part One of the 'Burning Within Bible' Course. The course is free but all donations will be gratefully received. Tea, Coffee and biscuits are provided but you will need to bring your own packed lunch. For more information see catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com Or www.catholic-bible-school.org/south-wales-events

Celebrate Wales conference

We are holding a 'Taste of Celebrate' night on Sunday 12th Feb for those who would like to find out more about the Celebrate Wales conference (which will be held at St David's College on 29th and 30th April.) Starting at 7.30pm, we will have worship, a short talk from a guest speaker, testimonials about Celebrate and more! There will be coffee, cake and chat at the end. This free event is the perfect opportunity to experience a taste of Celebrate, the Catholic Charismatic conference for all the family.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th -25th January

Sunday	6pm	Unity Service St David's
Monday	7pm	URC, Old Cwmbran
Tuesday	12noon	Methodist Church
Wednesday	7pm	Salvation Army

See poster on the noticeboard for further information

Our Lady of the Angels Church Kitchen

Have you left any storage boxes/tins, dishes or trays in the kitchen? If so, please collect them in the next week as the kitchen is going to be spring-cleaned and all unclaimed articles will be discarded.