



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

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

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8th April 2018

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER
Divine Mercy Sunday

Psalter Week 2

After the joys and exuberance of Easter Sunday and Easter Week, we settle down into the longest Season in the Church's Year - Eastertide. This period of fifty days is a time of sustained gladness, which comes through reading and reflecting on the Scriptures which describe the risen life of Jesus - not just his appearances to the disciples after the Resurrection, but the teachings from his ministry which reveal the risen life he now possesses. We also spend time hearing about how the Resurrection made a difference: how the timid and frightened disciples were able to leave Jerusalem and proclaim a message of life over death to the whole world, as we read through the book of the Acts of the Apostles. We also linger over the first letter of Saint John, which ties together so many of the themes of Easter: life, faith, baptism, the Spirit - all brought together in the person of the Lord Jesus, risen from the dead. On this second Sunday, we continue to track through real time, by hearing what happened in Jerusalem on the Sunday after the Resurrection, with the Lord appearing to Thomas - strengthening his faith, and strengthening ours as we listen to the account.

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Morning Prayers: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9.10am Sat 9.40am Divine Mercy Devotions: Fri 3pm (OLA)
Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm,

Saturday	5.00pm	St David's	Pat and Ken Harnett (DS): Ints Teresa and Richard Hurley (TH)
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Bet Milner (CJ): George Powell (K&DF) 2nd Sunday of Easter
	11.15am	St David's	Alf Ormond (B&T)
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Helen Crowley (C&MB) The Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Gordon Worsfold (SW)
Wednesday	9.45am	St David's	Funeral Mass for Betty Brennan <i>St Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr</i>
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Tom & Marian Saulters (GS)
Friday	9.30am	Our Lady's	John Martin (SVP)
Saturday	10.00am	Our Lady's	The People of the Parish
	5.00pm	St David's	Eileen Dicken (SVP) 3rd Sunday of Easter
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Jan Jakubowski (JJ)
	11.15am	St David's	Mavis Thomas (S&RM)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St David's: Tuesday
10.00am-11.30am
Our Lady's: Friday
8am-5pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday
Our Lady's: 11-11.30am
St David's: 4.15-4.45pm

THANK YOU!

A huge THANK YOU to all who prepared and celebrated Easter: - The Church cleaners and Flower arrangers; Musicians and Singers; the Welcomers and Altar Servers; Sacristans and Linen-washers; Ministers of the Word and of Communion; and all who in many ways prepared, participated, and joyfully celebrated the Sacred Triduum.

Thank you also from Canon John for your very generous Easter offering, and the numerous gifts, Easter cards and birthday cards and kind wishes.

Parish Sick List

Please pray for the sick and housebound especially Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Hazel McCarthy, John Kane, Mary Lee, Jean Olearczyk, Goff & Rose James, Mary Reilly, Bill Gale, Barbara Berger, Trevor Jenkins, Joan Lawrence, Mel Pearce, Ian Werrett, Pat Mulligan, Violet Thomas, Frances Brown, Fr Michael Cronin, Derek Miller, Sean Gilgunn, Anne Savoury, Pat Parfitt, Sr Celsus, Carolyn Gallagher, Christopher Mulcahy, Sr Mary James, Angela Hanlon, Gerry Scully, Robert Davies, Nora MacDonnell, Ann Pitchforth, Phyllis Whatley, Phoebe Dunn, Sabina Fisher, John & Beryl James, Luke Smith, Becky James, Kay Donavon, Joan Sweeney, Joyce & Jim Sheehy, Sam Spokes, John Adams, Brian Gingell, Stella Bradley, Meryl Davies, Gaynor Avery, Keith Shepherd, Iverna Ward, Fr Kevin Paine, Anthony Osbourne, Michael Egan, Lisa Melody, Philomena McCafferty, Bryn Jones, Tina Cordani and all who care for them.

First Holy Communion

Our congratulations to first of our young children who are making their First Holy Communion next weekend

Sacrament of Confirmation

(29th April 2018)

Classes continue in Our Lady's Church at 6pm on Tuesday 17th April. **Our congratulations to the Young Parishioners who are being confirmed on Sunday 29th April at 9.30am in Our Lady's Church by Archbishop George Stack. They will become adult witnesses of 'The Faith'. Please come along to the Mass and help to make the celebration a memorable occasion in the life of our parish.**

GIFT AID SCHEME 2018-2019

Yellow Boxes

Your box should be in the church you usually attend but if it isn't **please do not** take someone else's but contact Carole Morgan, Parish Office 01633 482346, or Michael Loughlin at St David's

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

The prayer group meet on **Tuesday mornings** after Mass in St David's.

Prayer Group

You are invited to St Anne's room on **Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm** for the weekly prayer meeting. Please bring a bible.

Celebrate Conference

21st-22nd April, Mary Immaculate High School

Celebrate Wales is a lively Catholic faith-filled weekend conference for the whole family. We offer Inspiring talks, workshops, children's/youth streams (activities planned and led by trained leaders), Mass/Reconciliation/Adoration.

It will be held at Mary Immaculate High School, Wenvoe, Cardiff, CF5 5QZ on Saturday 21st to Sunday 22nd April 2018.

For more information visit the website:

www.celebrateconference.org/wales or contact Michael Coyle on 01952 417223, wales@celebrateconference.org. Bursaries are available for those in need.

In Hospital or Moving to a Care home?

Please inform **Canon John** ASAP if you know of anyone being admitted to hospital, moving into a care home or who has become housebound through illness.

If you know of anyone who is in hospital or about to go into hospital and would like to receive holy communion, or simply a visit from the chaplain while they are there, please contact the 'First Responder' Chaplain:

The Heath: Brother Brian, via the Chaplaincy Office, 02920 743230.

The Royal Glamorgan: 02920 883192.

Ysbyty Ystrad Fawr please ring Canon John Kelly 02920 883192.

The Royal Gwent: 07805696474 or Sr Bernadette 01633 858539.

Nevill Hall: Sr Josephine 01873 853320.

County Hospital (Panteg) Griffithstown contact Fr David Hayman 01495 762280.

Always leave the person's name and if possible the name of the ward.

Please remember also that the chaplains and priests do not have access to patient records, and are allowed to visit the patient **only if they are asked** to do so by the patient or by a relation.

