



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

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

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*23<sup>rd</sup> December 2018      Fourth Sunday in Advent Year C      Psalter Week 4*  
**PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

Morning Prayers: Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat 9.40am

Saturday	5.00pm	St David's	Bill & Margaret Gale: Ken & Patricia Harnett: Bryan Kennedy
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Rose & Jack Clifford (MW): Alan Sullivan (AS): Ints Mary & Dan Kiernan
	11.15am	St David	Ints Diane Pearce (C&MM) <u>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Year C</u>
<b><u>THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST</u></b>			
Christmas Eve	6.00pm	St David's	Lee Davies (AD):
Christmas Day	9.00pm	Our Lady's	Jeremiah Desmond (VW): Helen Crowley (FG)
	9.00am	Our Lady's	Griffiths & McElroy Family (CJG)
	10.30am	St David's	The People of the Parish
26 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00am	Our Lady's	Gordon Worsfold (SW) <i>St Stephen, First Martyr</i>
Thursday	10.00am	St David's	Charles Cadogan(JC): Bill & Margaret Dennehy (J&KD) <i>St John, Apostle</i>
Friday	10.00am	Our Lady's	Brian Draissey (RD): Edward Ralph (JR) <i>The Holy Innocents, Martyr</i>
Saturday	10.00am	Our Lady's	Peggy & John Clack (J&AC) <i>St Thomas Becket, Bishop &amp; Martyr</i>
<b><u>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</u></b>			
Saturday	5.00pm	St David's	Tom & Doreen Probert (MJA)
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Jessie & Tom Forward (MB&BF): Maureen Maguire (P&JM)
	11.15am	St David's	Ints Jo & Rees Parlow (MP)

**Notice for Readers**

**Christmas Eve:** 6pm and 9pm Readings from Mass of Midnight  
**Christmas Day:**  
Our Lady's 9am: Readings from Mass of Dawn  
St David's 10.30am: Readings from Mass of the Day

**Christmas Offerings**

Traditionally, the Christmas offering is our gift to our Parish Priest. Christmas envelopes are in the boxes of weekly offerings and some are in the church porches.

**NEWSPAPERS**

CATHOLIC TIMES AND THE UNIVERSE 2 WEEKS ISSUE £3 EACH

**Christmas Crib Offerings**

Archbishop George suggests two categories. Firstly, "The Homeless". The crisis in Cardiff and beyond is evident on our streets every day. Secondly, "The Syrian Refugee Family projects" being supported by the Diocese and parishes. Four homes have now been made available in the Diocese for which the refugees and the local Authorities are extremely grateful.

**RECONCILIATION**

**There will be no confessions in either church on  
Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

Mass Count: 375  
Flower Collection £540.00  
SVP Collection: £1238.36

**Parish Sick List**

Please pray for the sick and housebound especially Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Hazel McCarthy, Mary Lee, Jean Olearczyk, Goff & Rose James, Barbara Berger, Trevor Jenkins, Joan Lawrence, Ian Werrett, Pat Mulligan, Violet Thomas, Frances Brown, Derek Miller, Sean Gilgunn, Anne Savoury, Pat Parfitt, Sr Celsus, Carolyn Gallagher, Christopher Mulcahy, Sr Mary James, Gerry Scully, 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, Brian Gingell, Stella Bradley, Meryl Davies, Keith Shepherd, Iverna Ward, Fr Kevin Paine, Jean Price, Michael Egan, Philomena McCafferty, Bryn Jones, Tina Cordani, Cath Gormley, Robert Hayton, Jimmy Szymanski, Margaret Wells, Norma Martin Jean and Lawrence Crowley, John Smith, Jo & Rees Parlow, Clare Williams, Catherine Slade, Margaret Lennon, Mary Healy, Pauline McGrath, Josephine Calder, Gwen Phillips, John Fitzgerald and all who care for them

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will resume in St David's on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 and in Our Lady's on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019

**The following Devotions and Meetings will next meet on:-**

RCIA Course: 7<sup>th</sup> January  
Divine Mercy Prayer Group: 8<sup>th</sup> January  
Union of Catholic Mother: 9<sup>th</sup> January  
Prayer Group: 9th January

**Baptism Course**

The Baptism Course begins on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 6pm in St Anne's room.

**Funeral Arrangements**

**Bill Hopper**

Bill's Funeral Service will take place on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am at T J Davies & Sons, 54-56 Chepstow Road, Newport prior to interment at St Woolas Cathedral.

**John Kane**

John's Funeral Mass will take place on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> January at Our Lady's at 1pm, followed by interment at Llwyncelyn Cemetery.

**Christmas Mass Times**

**Holy Day of Obligation**

**Our Lady of the Angels**

9.00pm (Monday Evening)  
9.00am Christmas Morning (Tuesday)

**St David's**

6.00pm (Monday Evening)  
10.30am Christmas Morning (Tuesday)

**Guitar Lessons**

Starting on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of January for eight sessions Adrian Bold will give free beginners "introduction to guitar" to anyone who would like to learn to play, young or old. The lessons will take place in St Anne's Room in Our Lady's from 7.00pm - just turn up for the first session with a guitar. If you do not have access to a guitar there will be one or two available for loan.

**We Welcome You Anew**

Lord, you came to us as a tender, new-born babe, not with any show of power, not to punish or condemn but to show how much you love us. We welcome you anew into our lives this Christmas! May we find time to ponder the mystery of your love for us, such love that you left your heaven to share our earth, so that we could share your heaven! We thank you, Lord.  
Amen

*Wishing everyone  
a  
Happy and Holy Christmas  
and a  
Peaceful New Year  
From  
Canon John*