

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

Archdiocese of Cardiff

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12th July 2020

15th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Psalter Week 3

The Gospel today is the beginning of a new section in Matthew, called 'The Parabolic Discourse' - a section of parables Jesus tells the crowd, which we will read over the next three weeks. A parable is a story with a hidden meaning: we can easily remember the story, and gradually the true meaning becomes clearer and clearer. Today is a famous example: the Parable of the Sower. In itself it is a story that would easily be understood by Jesus's audience - people who lived in an agricultural economy. Jesus uses their understanding to make an important teaching about the message he has brought: it is like a seed that is thrown out and received in different ways - the ideal is when the seed finds good soil, and produces a crop that can be seen and harvested: so the ideal listener to the word is one who allows it to lodge in the heart, but also produces a visible result. What is the harvest we should yield, when we have heard the word?

Sunday 10am	The People of the Parish Mass – live streamed.	
Monday	Leonard Davis Taylor.	
Crematorium	Funeral Service for Leonard Davis Taylor at 12noon	
Tuesday	Private intention (DD)	
Wednesday	Catherine Armond (Sr S)	St Bonaventure, Bishop
Thursday	Sr Carmel (Sr S); Charles Cadogan (JC)	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Friday	Ellen Hitchings (K&JD)	
Saturday	Bridie Coleville (MOS)	

Parish Sick

We pray for the sick of our parish and for those who care for them the housebound and for those who have asked for our prayers.

Requiescant in Pace

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Michael Regan, Monica Lloyd, Leonard Davis Taylor and Mavis Barry who died recently.

Confessions

Contact Canon John on 01633 482346 to make an appointment for confession.

Hospital Admittance

If you are sick or going into hospital, or know of anyone who is, please let me know ASAP
Canon John 01633 482346

ST. MARY MAGDALENE

On 22nd July we celebrate the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene but who was she? Pope Francis declared her as the *Apostle to the Apostles* and elevated her role in the life of the Church.

Read our article on who she was, and why her identity is so complex here -

www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-god-who-speaks/focus/scripture-and-saints/apostle-to-the-apostles-reclaiming-st-mary-of-magdala/

How has Mary Magdalene been portrayed in art?

We've selected 6 paintings to show different facets of her character and life here -

www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-god-who-speaks/focus/scripture-and-saints/st-mary-magdalene-in-art/

Collections

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