



St Dyfrig's Catholic Church

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A Parish of the Archdiocese of Cardiff
Registered Charity no. 242380

Year (A) Weekdays: Cycle II
Psalter Week I

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

PARISH NEWS

WHITE FLOWER APPEAL: The Society for the Protection for Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal **this week**. In common with the Catholic Church, SPUC defends and upholds the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. The society's work covers a wide spectrum of pro-life, pro-family issues. It seeks to protect unborn children from abortion and defends the disabled, elderly and incapacitated from euthanasia and assisted suicide. SPUC also provides trained speakers for schools and offers pro-life support for teachers, parents and medical professionals. Please give generously to this worthy cause.

THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES UNTIL 24TH JANUARY. Please see the timetable at the back of the newsletter for details of the Services of the Word with Holy Communion

BAPTISM COURSE: The next course will be held on Tuesday 14th and Tuesday 21st January at 7.30 pm in the Presbytery. Those interested in attending please contact either Margaret (404553) or Brenda (202959) or speak to Fr Allan.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – The First Holy Communion programme will begin this month and will run until the children make

their First Communion in May. For more information please contact Maggie White (01443 410593).

FRIENDS OF ST DYFRIG: Once again may I thank you for your support over the past year. We are desperately seeking NEW MEMBERS. This fund raiser for our church has suffered through loss of numbers in the last year. For only £1 per month there is the opportunity to win cash prizes every month. Please support the parish by introducing a friend or maybe by taking out another number or if you are not already a member then consider joining the scheme. To do this just contact Sheila Pugh (01443 203492) Subscriptions are due in January. Thank you, Sheila.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Marjorie Veronica Hunt** whose funeral will take place on 14th January at 12 noon in St Dyfrig's; **James O'Callaghan** whose funeral service will take place on 23rd January at 1.30pm in St Dyfrig's; and **Ralph De Ste Croix**, Alan's father, who passed away on Thursday. May they Rest in Peace.

THANK YOU: The family of the late John Davies would like to express their thanks to all those who attended John's Requiem Mass on December 19th. Thanks also to Fr.

Allan, Veronica Atkins and all who played a part in preparing the Church and the Hall for the funeral. Many thanks also for all donations received for 'Friends of Velindre'.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

28th/29th Dec 2013: Gift Aid: £193; Loose Collection: £231.27

4th/5th Jan 2014: Gift Aid: £162.53; Loose Collection: £329.03; Heating: £26.00

If you are a U.K. Taxpayer and do not already Gift-Aid your collection donations please consider doing so. It will not cost you any extra and we will be able to claim back some money from the tax man!

HYMN NUMBERS

Sat eve: Entrance 583; Offertory 443; Communion 630; Recessional 297.



CHAPLAINCY AT THE MEETING HOUSE.

Welcome back to all our students after their Christmas break. We hope

you feel refreshed and ready for the semester ahead! As Fr. Allan is away, there will be a Service of the Word with Holy Communion in the Tramsheds building at Glyntaff on Wednesday, and on Thursday at the Meeting House. Mass will resume on the 29th January. For future events see the website: chaplainscy.southwales.ac.uk

OTHER NEWS

CHORAL EVENING PRAYER: To Celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Choral Evening Prayer will be held at St David's Cathedral, Charles Street, Cardiff, CF10 2SF on Sunday January 19th 2014, at 3.00pm. All are welcome. Come and join in the hymns, prayers and psalms. It will be followed by tea & coffee at 'The Cornerstone'. For further details contact: Canon Peter Collins, Tel. 029 2023 1407

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND It will be held in Emmaus centre, Bristol on 7th – 9th March 2014. This is an opportunity for married couples to enjoy quality time away from the distractions of jobs, children and interruptions. The aim is to create a warm atmosphere in which you can explore and share your feelings, hopes, joys, fears and disappointments whilst learning to improve communication and deepen your relationship. The focus of the weekend is on your own relationship and you do not have to share any personal details with others. Weekends are catholic in origin but all married couples of any or no faith are welcome. If you want to book, please visit the website: wwme.org.uk If you would like further details, please contact Ian and Teresa MacCallum, 'phone 01249 656145 or email iandtmaccallum@talktalk.net

JOB ADVERTISEMENT: The Governing Body of Mary Immaculate High School is seeking to appoint an inspirational and effective Catholic leader to join the school in September 2014. For further details please see poster in the Narthex on the 'Around the Diocese' board.

JOB ADVERTISEMENT: The Diocese is looking to appoint a new Treasurer/Financial Secretary in the next few weeks. For further details please see advertisement in the Narthex on the 'Around the Diocese' board.

TUESDAY WHIST DRIVE: For many years the Whist Drive run by Dorothy Martin has been meeting in the Annex every Tuesday. Sadly, the numbers have decreased considerably and there is now a possibility that that Whist Drive will end. If you or anyone you know would like to join, please contact Dorothy Martin. Tel. 650062. Thank you.

FUNERAL OF CARMEL ENGLISH: The Funeral of Mrs Carmel English (Mother of Fr. Barry English up at Merthyr) who died on Christmas Eve will be held at 11.00am on Friday 17th January at St. Brigid's, Crystal Glen, Llanishen, Cardiff, CF14 5QN.

IF YOU NEED A PRIEST IN AN EMERGENCY OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS – (UNTIL THE 23RD JANUARY) please contact Fr John Phillips at St Thomas' Abercynon on 01443 740353 or Fr John Kelly at St Helen's, Caerphilly on 029 20883192

MESSAGE FROM DEACON MICHAEL: As a follow up to the thanks expressed for your kindness over Christmas, I must of course express my thanks for the kindness, prayers and support you have shown on the run-up to my ordination. It was good to see so many of you at the event itself, but it was also good to see the increased attendance at my first Mass as a Deacon

within the parish. Thanks to all who had a hand in the event and the parish celebration afterwards. You are all very much in my prayers.

SPACE FILLERS:

One for the kids – colour me in:



JESUS' BAPTISM

One for the mums and dads:

After the Baptism of his baby brother in church, little Johnny sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him three times what was wrong. Finally, the boy replied, "That priest said he wanted us brought up in a Christian home, but I want to stay with you guys."

† Liturgy/Masses for 11th January 2014 - 19th January 2014

Saturday 11th January	9.45am	Morning Prayer
	10.00am	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
	5.15pm	Reconciliation
<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass - The Baptism of the Lord (<i>John Burke</i>)
Sunday 12th January	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	
	10.30am	Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
		Refreshments after Mass
Monday 13th January	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	9.45am	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday 14th January	12 noon	Requiem Mass for the late Marjorie Veronica Hunt
Wednesday 15th Jan.	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	9.45am	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Thursday 16th January	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	9.45am	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Friday 17th January	2.00pm	Exposition
	7.00pm	Divine Mercy, Evening Prayer & Benediction
	Followed by	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Saturday 18th January	9.45am	Morning Prayer
	10.00am	Service of the Word with Holy Communion
	5.15pm	Reconciliation
<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (<i>Mary Vaughan</i>)
Sunday 19th January	2ND Sunday of Ordinary Time	
	10.30am	Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
		Refreshments after Mass

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