



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 3
THIRD SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME

PARISH NEWS

WELCOME BACK FATHER ALLAN. Normal weekday and university Mass schedule has been resumed.

REMEMBER THIS? A very big thank you to all who sponsored me for "Sleepout 2013" back in November. I managed to raise £360 which helped raise a total of OVER £40,000 for Llamau. The money will be used to support homeless young people in Wales. It was a great experience and extremely humbling. I certainly appreciated my own bed when I got home! Thanks again. Kate Mantle

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: We are in need of catechists to join our teams for Children's Liturgy at the weekend. We need 3 people to go into the hall with the children. If you think you could help, would you please see Sue Cleary on Saturday evening (Tel 01443 409083) or Maggie White on Sunday morning (Tel 01443 410593). Thank you.

THANK YOU!

LET THE CHILDREN LIVE CHARITY: Thanks to everyone for their great effort - £150 was donated in coins and notes over the Christmas period from the pouches on the Christmas tree. Prior to that £80 was donated in coins at the back of church. All

receipts for cheques and cash can be found in the narthex in a folder near the donation box. The charity organisers have sent small photos of the children for anyone wishing to take one. Once again a 'big thank you' – Stella

MISSIO: The total paid into Missio for 2013 was £1381.69. On behalf of the Missions may I thank everyone who supported the Red Box collection and hope you will continue your support in 2014. If anyone would like a 2014 Calender there are a few left at the back of the Church. - Ann Hobbs.

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.

HYMN NUMBERS

***Sat eve: Entrance 121; Offertory 362;
Communion 470; Recessional 259***

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

BIG SOCIETY AWARD We are delighted to announce that the Prime Minister, David Cameron, has recognised the SVP with a Big Society Award. He said:

"The St Vincent de Paul Society turns concern into action. The Society's incredible number of volunteers build on a 200 year history of lending a practical hand to support those in need.

"I'm delighted to recognise all 10,000 St Vincent de Paul volunteers, and the staff who support them to do their vital work, with this Big Society Award."

Adrian Abel, National President of the SVP, said:

"It is so appropriate that this award has come in the bicentenary year of our founder's birth. The award recognises the work of our 10,000 volunteers who give around one million hours of voluntary service, by befriending people with needs in our community. The SVP provides practical opportunities for people to turn their concern into action, truly a Society with a big heart."

NEXT MEETING The next SVP meeting will be held in the church hall annex on Wednesday 29th January at 7.30. Volunteers are always welcome. Can you spare some time to continue the excellent work the SVP does locally? The SVP is truly Christianity in action.

PARISH COLLECTIONS

18^h/19^h Jan 2014: Gift Aid: £185.00; Loose Collection: £271.28

If you are a U.K. Taxpayer and do not already Gift-Aid your collection donations please consider doing so. It won't cost you any extra!



CHAPLAINCY AT THE MEETING HOUSE.

St Dyfrig's is the base for the Catholic Chaplain, Fr Allan. There are the usual daily and weekend masses here in St Dyfrig's, and mass is also celebrated at the Glyntaf Campus and at the Meeting House (Treforest Campus). For future events at St Dyfrig's see the newsletter and for other ecumenical events see the University website: chaplaincy.southwales.ac.uk

OTHER NEWS

URGENT CONSULTATION The Department of Health has made a proposition that it will be no longer necessary for a doctor to examine a woman applying for an abortion before signing the certificate. A consultation has been open for the past six weeks, but is only now being made publically known. **The consultation closes on February 3rd.** We are being asked to urgently write to the Department of Health and our local M.P., Mr Owen Smith, urging that no abortion certificate should be signed without taking into consideration the circumstances of TWO people ... the mother AND the baby.

Further information is available in the narthex or speak to Deacon Michael. We must act now.

CAFOD SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

CAFOD is looking for volunteers to work with children and young people in schools and parishes to help them learn and to inspire them to take action with CAFOD. For further information please contact CAFOD South Wales on 02920 344 882, email southwales@cafod.org.uk or visit www.cafodsouthwales.wordpress.com

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: It will be held in the 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

ECUMENICAL CELEBRATION OF FAMILY

LIFE: A special non- Eucharistic service will be held in St David's Cathedral, Charles St, Cardiff on Saturday March 8th at 12 noon, to celebrate God's love at work in our everyday family life, in happy and less happy times. All are very welcome, so

please invite family and friends of all denominations to come with you. If you would like to take a special part by giving a reading or carrying a symbol to the altar please contact (029) 2021 2821 or flc@rcadc.org.uk

COME AND SEE WHAT RELIGIOUS LIFE IS

ALL ABOUT: A day for women who would like to learn more about becoming a Sister. Take time to pray, reflect and ask questions with the Sisters of St. Joseph of Annecy on 8th March 2014 in Newport. Contact Sr. Marianne for more information ssjavocations@hotmail.com or Tel. 01633 252321.

'SOLDIER TO SAINT' - re-telling the story of St Alban.

An original one-act play by RISE Theatre that tells the story of St Alban, Britain's first Christian martyr, from a modern-day perspective. Set in the year 2020, this is a powerful and inspirational story about friendship, faith and sacrifice. RISE Theatre will be performing this play at **Roald Dahl Studio, The Cathedral School, Cardiff on Monday 24th March at 7.30pm** This performance is suitable for ages 12+. This thought-provoking play gets straight to the heart of themes that resonate with many of us — about discovering our faith, a faith that can sometimes cost us, and the challenge to stand up for the truth in an ever-increasingly secular society. Tickets www.risetheatre.ticketsource.co.uk.

† Liturgy/Masses for 25th January – 2nd February 2014

Saturday 25th January	9.45am	Morning Prayer
<i>Conversion of St Paul</i>	10.00am	Mass (<i>John Davies</i>)
	5.15pm	Reconciliation
<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (<i>Andrew & Greta Cummings</i>)
Sunday 26th January	3rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A	
	10.30am	Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
		Refreshments after Mass
Monday 27th January	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	9.45am	Mass (<i>Eileen Noakes- Wellbeing</i>)
Tuesday 28th January	9.30am	Morning Prayer
<i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>	9.45am	Mass (<i>John Davies –RIP</i>)
Wednesday 29th Jan.	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	9.45am	Mass (<i>Ann Evans (Hennessy)- RIP</i>)
Thursday 30th Jan.	<u>9.15am</u>	Mass (<i>In memory of Mari Hopkins RIP</i>)
	10.15 am	Funeral Service the late Molly Eileen Bew
Friday 31st January	2.00pm	Exposition
<i>St John Bosco</i>	7.00pm	Divine Mercy & Evening Prayer
	7.30pm	Mass (<i>Ines Cordani</i>)
Saturday 1st February	9.45am	Morning Prayer
	10.00am	Mass
	5.15pm	Reconciliation
<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass (<i>Deceased of the Fear Family</i>)
Sunday 2nd February	THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	
	10.30am	Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
		Refreshments after Mass

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Cardinal Newman Comprehensive (Head: Mr J O'Sullivan) 01443 494110

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Royal Glamorgan Chaplain: Fr Silvio (01443 421929 or 07711 804733)

The Heath, Cardiff Chaplain: Br Brian (029 2074 3230)