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Sunday 13th December 2015

3rd Sunday of Advent (Year C)

Cycle II Psalter Week 3

CHRISTMAS MASSES & SERVICES

Please note the following times. They are the same as last year.

Thursday 24th December

9.30am	Mass	All Hallows
6.30pm	Vigil Mass of Christmas	All Hallows
9.30pm	Service of Carol & Readings	St Dyfrig's
10.00pm	Mass of Christmas Night	St Dyfrig's

There will be NO midnight Mass

Friday 25th December

9.15am	Mass of Christmas Morning	All Hallows
10.45am	Mass of Christmas Morning	St Dyfrig's

There will be a **Christmas Carol Service** on Sunday 13th December at **7.00pm** at All Hallows followed by Mulled Wine and Mince Pies

RECONCILIATION IN ADVENT

Fr Allan will be available to hear confessions during advent:

Tuesday & Thursday at All Hallows: after 9.30am Mass

Wednesday & Friday at St Dyfrig's: after 9.45am Mass

Saturdays at St Dyfrig's: 4.30pm before Vigil Mass

Or at another time by arrangement with Fr Allan.

RECONCILIATION IN OTHER CHURCHES IN OUR DEANERY Confession is also available:

Saturdays at St Helen's, Caerphilly 5.45pm – 6.15pm.

Sundays at St Thomas, Abercynon: before 9am Mass

NEWS FOR ALL

DATE FOR YOUR 2016 DIARY Diocesan day of recollection for Ministers of Communion will be held at the Pastoral Centre, located in St Illtyd's High School, Cardiff on Saturday 27th February.

CAFOD RECRUITING CAFOD is currently looking for a Community Participation Coordinator based from our volunteer centre in Cardiff to cover CAFOD's work in the dioceses of Cardiff and Menevia. This is part time (17.5 hours per week), fixed term contract to 31 July 2017. To read more and to apply please visit cafod.org.uk/Work-with-us/UK-Jobs/CPC-South-Wales and complete our online application form by the closing date of 3 Jan 2016. Contact CAFOD South Wales for further details on 029 20 344 882 or email southwales@cafod.org.uk

ALL HALLOWS NEWS

OFFICES FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING 13 Dec. 2015

Saturday Mass 6.30 pm

Euch Minister: C Hensley, D F Herbert & P Herbert

Readers: L Jones & P Davies

Offertory: C & J Milsom

Sunday Mass: 9.15 am

Euch Ministers: K Thomas, C Barrion & Y Bacchetta

Readers: R Evans & J Fulgoni

Offertory: S Collyer

Collection: T Mahoney & C Hensley

Tea: T Bressington

Cleaning: Team 4 T Bressington's Team

Servers: Brian/Edward/George

Response to Psalm: Sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The spirit of the Lord has been given to me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor. Alleluia!

1st Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18; **2nd Reading:** Philippians 4:4-7; **Gospel:** Luke 3:10-18

OFFICES FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING 20 Dec. 2015

Saturday Mass 6.30 pm

Euch Minister: T Jacobs, C Barrion, L Jones

Readers: S Stacey & K Attfield

Offertory: Franks Herbert Family

Sunday Mass: 9.15 am

Euch Ministers: T Charnock, M Fernandez, M Mortley

Readers: B Hargreaves & P Hopkins

Offertory: G Robertson

Collection: N & S Flint

Tea: Sandra Corp

Cleaning: Team 5 Andrea MacCarthy's Team

Servers: Brian/Edward/George

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This Week: A Thomas/ T Mahoney

Next Week: No Children's Liturgy

CONFESSION:

After all weekday Masses during December

and first Saturday of every month 10.15 – 11.15 a.m.

COLLECTIONS for WEEKEND 6 December 2015

Gift Aid: £777.92; Non Gift Aid: £63.00;

Loose Plate: £203.49

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: *Suzy Stacey has undertaken the role of Parish Administrator for us at All Hallows.*

Please contact Suzy for any administrative requests/information/mass intentions etc. on 01443 223184 or 07734 701449.

LITURGY MINISTER ROTA FOR DEC 2015 TO FEB 2016

The new Rota for the period 12.12.15 to 14.02.16 is now available. It has been emailed to ministers, where possible, and hard copies will be available at the back of the church from 06 12 15 for those not on E - mail.

NATIVITY PLAY 2015

There will be a meeting after mass on Sunday to prepare our Nativity Play which will take place at the end of Mass on Sunday December 20th. We had a good response last week but I still need a Joseph and there is plenty of room for angels and shepherds. If you would like to be involved with the music and singing please come along to see what the All Hallows Band are doing. If you can't stay this week but wish to be involved please call Suzy on 07734 701449

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE... Reminder... the parish Carol Service will be taking place this Sunday 13th December at 7.00 p.m followed by mulled wine and

mince pies in the narthex. Please make every effort to attend as part of your Advent preparation for the Feast of Christmas.

esMusic Ministry – If you are interested in helping with the Christmas preparations or wish to join in with the music ministry, please contact Teresa Bressington.

TESCO VOUCHER SCHEME.... We have a thriving Tesco scheme ongoing and we hope to encourage more people to join us and generate extra income and provide parishioners with a savings scheme/weekly/monthly vouchers Why not set up a direct debit through Jim and join the scheme?

RED MISSION BOXES... last reminder for this quarter..... Please bring them in ASAP

Please ensure that you collect your emptied Red Mission Box from the Church Foyer on your way out of church. There are a number of boxes awaiting collection. This is the last call for this quarter to have your mission box emptied in readiness for year end on 31st December.

STAMPS AND UNWANTED SPECTACLES... Don't forget to keep your used postage stamps for our adopted charity with the Sisters of the Sacred Heart and also your unused spectacles for the World in Sight Appeal. Please leave these items at the back of church.

PONTYCLUN FOODBANK. Many thanks to all who support this very worthy cause. Why not bring in something special these next few weeks as a Christmas gesture.

ST DYFRIG'S NEWS

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS The giving of Christmas Cards is a private matter. However, some people prefer to give Christmas Greetings and not send cards. Instead they may give a donation to a charity. In the narthex is a list for people who wish to enter into the spirit of Christmas in an alternative way.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND SICK VISITORS In the sacristy are boxes of chocolates and Christmas cards for the above to collect and distribute to the housebound. If the person you sick visit is forgotten please mention to SVP members: Anne Parker on Saturday Vigil Mass or Liz Mayo on Sunday Morning Mass. Please tick off the list. The SVP wish to thank you for your contributions to our funds during the

year and would like to wish you a Happy & Holy Christmas. Anne,

CHRISTMASS MASSES A sign-up list is available in the narthex for Christmas Masses.

THE “REAL” MEANING OF CHRISTMAS I have taken the liberty of ordering a supply of Christmas cards that reflect the joy, peace and happiness of the birth of the Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ. One of the few places where you could buy such cards was the Catholic Truth Society. As this is no longer trading in Cardiff it has become increasingly more difficult to send greetings that go deeper than the superficial nature of some modern day “Christmases”. I hope parishioners will take advantage of the rarity of the cards! The boxes are £2.99 and the packets at £1.20. (All Hallows already have their own supply.)

ST DYFRIG’S FUND RAISING

Thank you to everyone who helped, donated and attended the Winter Fayre last Saturday, 5th December. We raised £983 from the day and also from ‘after-sales’ on Saturday night and Sunday morning. Well done everyone!

Thank you also to Veronica, Julia and all the bakers and sellers who raised £190 from the recent cake sale held after the Sunday Morning masses.

We would also like to thank Janet Sullivan who has raised £320 through her regular plant sales during the summer and autumn months. Thank you also, Janet, for the horticultural advice.

The **Christmas Raffle** will take place in the annex, after Mass this Sunday, 13th December. Again thank you to everyone who has supported this event.

We have a couple more fundraising events before the end of the year, so we will give a total raised for 2015 at the end of December. Many thanks for all the support given to these fundraising events.

The Fund Raising Committee

FOODBANK If you would like to donate Christmas items to the Foodbank please bring them as soon as possible so they can be distributed before Christmas. Selection boxes are welcome but please do not donate Advent Calendars as we still have some left from last year. Many of the people who receive food vouchers are single so small Christmas puddings are welcome. Some people do not have access to cooking

facilities so items such as 'Pot Noodles' are also useful. Thank you for your support.

CHURCH CLEANING St Dyfrig’s urgently needs church cleaners, male or female, to keep our beautiful church clean. Are you able to spare approximately 90 minutes every 3 weeks, or less if we have more people come forward? If the answer is **yes** then we would love to hear from you as part of our church cleaning team. It is not too strenuous – just a handful of willing volunteers helping out. We are very flexible with whatever day you can be available. If you think you can help please contact: Maureen Davies (204983), Janet John (205322) or Christine Thomas (203464).

FILMING IN ST DYFRIG’S Over recent months we have been doing some filming and photography at some of the key social events at St. Dyfrig’s, which will continue at future events. This is to support the future funding applications for restoration grants St Dyfrig’s and may be used on the St Dyfrig’s website or Facebook page to promote the activities that we hold. If you have any concerns regarding the filming, please contact Susan on susanmartin76@yahoo.co.uk or let a member of the Social Team know at the event itself.

HOLY HOUR FOR EVANGELISATION in front of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday from 6.30pm, with the special intention of evangelisation and mission within our Parish and the wider church. Every one welcome: please come and spend an hour with our Lord.

PRAYING WITH OUR CHILDREN The hall is in use this Wednesday but we are still gathering together. Please join us on Wednesday morning from 10.15am (after Mass); all welcome: toys provided!

HYMN NUMBERS (Sat Mass) *Entrance 274; Offertory 443; Communion 166; Recessional 297*

PARISH FINANCES

5th/6th December 2015

Gift Aid Envelopes: £399; Loose Collection: £361.40; Christmas Flowers: £186.09

FRIENDS OF ST DYFRIG’S November 2015

£50 Evan Griffiths; £20 Mr B Norris; £10 Wynne Brown, Mrs M McCarthy, Miss Frances Medcraf

Liturgy/Masses at St Dyfrig's Treforest and All Hallows, Miskin

Date	Time & Place	Service & Intention
Saturday 12th December	4.30 pm St Dyfrig's 5.00 pm St Dyfrig's 6.30 pm All Hallows	Reconciliation Mass – Osmund Paul (RIP) Mass - People of the Parish
Sunday 13th December <i>3rd Sunday of Advent</i>	9.15 am All Hallows 10.45 pm St Dyfrig's	Mass – Albert Colin Jones RIP Mass - People of the Parish Refreshments after Mass
Monday 14th December <i>St John of the Cross</i>	9.30 am St Dyfrig's 9.45 am St Dyfrig's	Morning Prayer Service of the Word with Holy Communion
Tuesday 15th December	9.30 am All Hallows	Mass – Kevin Lewis Jones
Wednesday 16th December	9.30 am St Dyfrig's 9.45 am St Dyfrig's	Morning Prayer Mass – Mitsuharu Kuno RIP
Thursday 17th December	9.30 a.m. All Hallows 2.15 pm All Hallows	Mass – Private Intentions UCM Meeting – Parish Centre
Friday 18th December	9.30 am St Dyfrig's 9.45 am St Dyfrig's 6.30pm St Dyfrig's	Morning Prayer Mass – Pascal Gonsales RIP Followed by Exposition until 3.00pm Holy Hour with Adoration
Saturday 19th December	4.30 pm St Dyfrig's 5.00 pm St Dyfrig's 6.30 pm All Hallows	Reconciliation Mass – People of the Parish Mass – Elizabeth & James Kingston
Sunday 20th December <i>4th Sunday of Advent</i>	9.15 am All Hallows 10.45 pm St Dyfrig'	Mass – Kim Davies-Stacey RIP Mass – Theresa Atkins (Birthday Anniversary) Refreshments after Mass

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Hospital Catholic Chaplains

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 Copies of this and previous newsletters are also available on both Parish websites.*