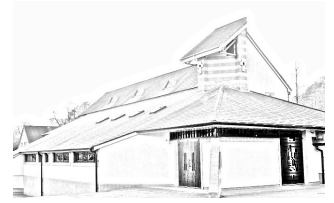


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Sunday 5th March 2017

First Sunday of Lent

Cycle A Psalter Week 1

NEWS FOR ALL

Lenten Station Mass - The "Station Mass" originated in Rome under the auspices of Pope Gregory the Great (590-604). The Bishop of Rome would make a daily pilgrimage to one of the forty churches in Rome dedicated to the memory of the martyrs and saints. Pilgrims would walk in the footsteps of the saints and join the Pope in a penitential exercise before celebrating Mass at each "stopping place" or "station". In doing so, they were also following the example of Jesus who went out into the desert and fasted for forty days and forty nights in preparation for his mission. It is this "journey" which forms the spiritual background to the forty days of Lent and the journey each of us has to make into the desert of our own hearts and lives. The Lenten Station Mass will take place at St. Dyfrig's on Thursday 16th March.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – will take place in All Hallows on Tuesday 21st March 10 am and in St. Dyfrig's on Friday 24th March 10.15.

St. David's Cathedral – Lenten Fasting Lunch (Bread and Soup) In support of the Syrian Family Refugee Project. Each Friday of Lent at 1.30 pm (following the 12.45 Mass) at the Cornerstone. (During lunch, 15 minute Lenten Meditation will be given by Archbishop George).

St. David's Cathedral - Please join us for THE RITE OF ELECTION - to welcome those Adult Catechumens to

be baptised at the Easter Vigil and those to be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Sunday 5 March at 3.00pm. Followed by Refreshment in The Cornerstone Charles Street Cardiff.

Wales and the Marches Catholic History Society – our next talk will be at St. David's Sixth Form College on Sunday 5th March at 3 pm – title – 'Historic Churches of Gwent'. The speaker will be Dr. Edith Evans, the Heritage and Outreach Manager for the Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust. This is a free event, all welcome.

NATIONAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH 10 -18TH MARCH

The National Novena to St Joseph will take place from 10-18 March 2017 at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead and at Herbert House, Freshfield, Liverpool. Each year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society and the missionary outreach of the church, as well as for the intentions of all those who support their work. You are invited to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena booklet to enable you to join in from home by praying the daily Novena prayer. Please write to Fr Liam Cummins MHM, St Joseph's Missionary Society, 58 Cookham

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Response to the Psalm: Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Road, Maidenhead, SL6 7HT or email novena@millhillmissionaries.com

An Invitation to a Lenten Retreat 1st April 10.30-3.00

St. David's Sixth Form Cardiff – an opportunity to stop and listen to God's voice within us. A retreat of prayer run according to Ignatian Spirituality. During the course of the day there will be two talks, imaginative contemplation, time for silent prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament and time for group sharing. The day is open to people of all faiths and no faith and is free of charge. Lunch will be provided. To make a booking please contact Christian Mahoney on 07764515864 or email

christianmahoney2@gmail.com

Youth 2000 will host their fifth annual retreat March 17-19 at St. David's Sixth Form College. The emphasis is on building a relationship with Jesus that focuses on helping young people to pray from the heart, through the Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, the Rosary, Sacred Scripture, praise and worship. This is a donation only event and booking forms can be found at youth2000.org

Forty Days for Life Vigil continues for 5 hours a day between 11 am and 4 pm until the beginning of Holy Week. If you are able to give up some time to support the group of volunteers who hold a prayer vigil at the abortion facility in St. Mary's Street Cardiff please contact Janet Thomas on 02920 512397 or email jelthomas@btinternet.com

The March for Life takes place in Birmingham on Saturday 20th May. There will be a coach going from Cardiff to this event which includes Mass, addresses by several guest speakers. All are welcome. To reserve a place on the coach contact mcwalsh2@googlemail.com or 7893522851.

Week of Prayer & Awareness for Dementia: 12th March to 19th March. The **ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN MASS WITH THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** will be celebrated on **Saturday 18th March at 2:30pm in Llantarnam Abbey, Cwmbran, Torfaen, NP44 3YJ** for people with dementia and their carers. Please consider bringing your loved one or come simply as a relative, carer, or friend of people with dementia, to pray for them. We also especially remember those

who have died as a result of dementia over the past year. Following Mass, refreshments will be served.

ALL HALLOWS NEWS

Parish Administrator: Please contact Suzy for any administrative requests/information/mass intentions etc. on 01443 223184 or 07734 701449. Please note, there are envelopes in the church foyer for Mass intentions.

There are a few vacancies available for Mass intentions, if you would like to have a Mass said please contact Suzy.

Offices for w/c 4th March 2017

Saturday Mass: 6.30 p.m.

Euch Ministers: J Dendle/T Mahoney/C Hensley

Readers: K Attfield/W Brown

Offertory: Franks Herbert Family

Sunday Mass 9.15. a.m.

Euch Ministers: M Mortley/ T Charnock/M Nathan

Readers: K Thomas/E Adlam

Offertory: S Collyer

Children's Lit: A Thomas. T Spiller

Collection: K & T Jacobs

Tea: Theresa Mackay

Cleaning: Team 6 Sue Collyer's Team

Servers: Brian/Dafydd/Edward/George

Offices for w/c 11th March 2017

Saturday Mass: 6.30 p.m.

Euch Ministers: D F-Herbert/P.Herbert/C Barrion

Readers: Sharon Beatty/Bindu Cardoza

Offertory: G. Edwards/Family

Sunday Mass 9.15. a.m.

Euch Ministers: C.Hensley/C & D Lyons

Readers: Teresa Bressington/Therese Charnock

Offertory: Sue Collyer

Children's Lit: Alyson Thomas. Theresa Spiller

Collection: Kathy and Tony Jacobs

Tea: Teresa Bressington

Cleaning: Team 6 Sue Collyer's Team

Servers: Brian/Dafydd/Edward/George

Confessions: First Saturday of every month 10.15 – 11.15 a.m.

Collections 26 February 2017: Gift Aid: £

Non Gift Aid: £ Loose Plate: £

NEW TO OUR PARISH.... We welcome you, please let us know who you are and we invite you to complete one of our Parish Census Forms and tell us about yourselves. These forms are available in the Church Porch.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES...The new boxes of envelopes will be available on the weekend of the 19th March.

New and existing parishioners who do not currently use offertory envelopes are encouraged to request a set by adding their name and address to the list that is available in the Church foyer.

If you are a taxpayer, then monies you give to the Church in the envelopes or by standing order can be increased by 25% by simply signing a gift aid form. Please contact Tony Yule on 029 20890621 for further details.

FORTHCOMING FUTURE EVENTS:

9 Days to Heaven

At Masses at All Hallows on **Sat 18th March 6:30 pm & Sun 19th March 9:15 am** parishioner author Teresa O'Driscoll will present her book 9 Days to Heaven, how to make everlasting meaning of your life. Through this novena God's input is invited on daily stress, challenges and fears. This gives a wonderfully different perspective on everything. Published by O Books it is helpful at any time, including Lent. Books will be available to buy.

FIRST COMMUNICANTS -On the 12th March 2017 during the Sunday mass there will be a commitment service and the first communicants will be presented to the parish. Please remember in your prayers all our young people preparing for the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation.

First Communion Commitment Mass

PARENTS COMMITMENT:

We promise to help our children prepare well for the Sacrament, by setting a good example as parents and trying to model Christ's values by sharing our faith and especially by regular attendance at Mass.

We will do our best to attend meetings and support those who help prepare our children in faith.

PARISHIONERS COMMITMENT:

We the members of All Hallows Parish will support our young people in preparing for the reception of the Sacraments by modelling our own faith as an example, and by encouraging them to grow even closer to Jesus. We will do our best each week to welcome them and encourage them within our community, so that they will find, through us, a place where they belong.

Lenten Lunch – The next Lenten Lunch will be held on Saturday 11 March at Hope Chapel, Pontyclun from 12.00 noon

Please support the Parishes of the Community in coming along to the Lenten Lunches. Cost the Lunch is £3.00 per person

LENTEN LUNCHESES 2017

11 March - Hope Chapel, Pontyclun

18th March – St Paul's Pontyclun

25th March – Bethel Chapel, Pontyclun

1st April – Joint Lunch – Bethel Chapel.

8th April – St Illtyd's Church, LLanharry

The charities supported by the Lenten Lunches are: Street Pastors, Pontypridd PONT (Uganda), HCPT, Parkinson Society.

ALL HALLOWS SPRING AND EASTER CRAFT AND VINTAGE FAYRE – Reminder our Annual Spring and Easter Craft Fayre is being held on **Saturday 29th April 2017**. We have a great deal of interest in this event this year with many new crafts being available. **The Fayre will commence at 12.00 noon until 4.00 p.m.**

Please help and make our Spring and Easter Craft and Vintage Fayre a success, we are again appealing to your generosity for items for the Bottle Stall, Plants, CAKES, and items for Pandora's Box (toiletries, jewellery, unwanted gift sets etc)

APPEAL FOR RAFFLE ITEMS: To help us with our fund raising ventures we are always grateful to receive gifts that we could use for raffle prizes. If you are starting your spring cleaning and you come across items that you consider a suitable gift for someone else, we would be glad to take them off your hands.

If you have any bottles, gifts, toiletries, that you would like to donate, please leave them in the church porch marked for the attention of the UCM.

BAKE AND BOOK SALE... Reminder.... BAKE AND BOOK SALE Sunday 19th March.....

In addition to raising funds for our Parish, it is the aim of the UCM to continue with our fund raising for the HCPT organisation in helping to send sick people to Lourdes. With this in mind, we will be holding a **BAKE AND BOOK SALE on Sunday 19th March** after the 9.15am mass. Why not start baking a cake to help us in our task, we have a number of interesting books for sale, all reasonably priced. If you have books in excellent condition that you would like to donate towards our fund raising, please bring them in and we will include them in our sale.

PARISH ANNUAL SUMMER TRIP.... Don't leave it too late to book your seat for our Annual Summer Trip on **Saturday 13 May 2017**. This year we are going to **OXFORD....** cost of coach seat £13.00 this will include a tip for the driver. The coach will be leaving the church car park at 8.30 a.m. and returning in time for the Saturday evening Mass at 6.30 p.m. If you would like to come with us and enjoy a leisurely day in OXFORD, please give your name to Teresa Bressington (01443 204830) or any member of the UCM.

TEA/COFFEE.... We all enjoy the refreshments after the 9.15 am mass on Sunday mornings, but our list of helpers is diminishing..... anyone like to help out, we would greatly appreciate a hand.....

Reminder... If you have any unwanted Spectacles, we would be grateful to receive them for our World in Sight Appeal.

Postage Stamps.... please remember to collect postage stamps for our support to the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart in Ireland. Please leave them in the church porch or see any member of the UCM.

Baby Sensory Classes – These classes are held in the Parish Hall every Wednesday from 9.00 am – 2.30 p.m. Details will be available shortly for any Mum and Baby to join the classes.

Baby and Adult Yoga Classes – These are held from 10.00 am – 12.00noon every Thursday in the parish hall. Contact: Michelle Lewis on 0776 0802088 if anyone is interested in joining the class.

Mrs Mary Jones who has been going to All Hallows for 50 years has now moved – Hilary – 01296 730093

ST DYFRIG'S NEWS

Walk Around Llanwonno – St. Dyfrig's Family Group are organising a walk on Sunday 12th March. We will meet at Llanwonno where a wide range of walks are available to suit all ages and abilities. Everyone in the parish, along with their wider family are welcome to come along. If you do not have transport, we will gather in St. Dyfrig's car park at 12.30 pm or we will meet at the Llanwonno Forestry Commission Car Park and Picnic Site (about 350 yards from the Brynffynon Pub) at 1 pm. Please bring a picnic and your walking shoes! Everyone is welcome, Catholic and non-Catholic: all members of your family. More details on the flyers in the Narthex or from Teresa and Alan de Ste Croix, 01443 406564.

Pontypridd Christians Together, Lenten Lunches.

March 10th – St. Mary's Glyntaff

March 17th - St. Dyfrig's

March 24th – St. John's Graig

March 31st – St. David's Hopkinstown

April 7th – Bethel Baptist Hawthorn

April 14th – St. David's Uniting Gelliwastad Road

The profit this year will be divided between Christian Aid, as usual, and our Diocesan Syrian Refugee Fund. A retiring collection will be held the week before, to contribute to this. We need lots of help on the day. Our busiest time will be between 11.45 and 1.30 pm to serve customers soup and tea and help with the Fair Trade Stall. If you can spare even half an hour, please could you put your name/initials on the list in the Narthex. Thank you so much.

Our next afternoon for **Tea and a Chat** is on Friday 10th March – sign-up sheets are on display in the Narthex and the Annex.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Family Fund Day for Anaya Aid. Over £600 was raised which included donations from St. Dyfrig's Parishioners. This money will be used for the next container hired to ship out all of our donated items for the Anaya Aid Wales. A container costs approximately £2,000 and one leaves from Cardiff to Syria almost every month with all the donated food and hygiene items. Please can we ask that we continue to donate items by leaving them in the Narthex at the designated spot, the generosity of the parish has already been commented upon. Thank you all for your donated items they are very much appreciated.

We are hoping to hold an Easter raffle to raise funds for the ongoing repairs for the Church, therefore we are looking for donations to make up an Easter Raffle. Many thanks from the Fundraising Team.

The Catenian Association of Catholic Men – the association has a very simple concept; friends meeting to enjoy each other's company, providing help to one another when required, supporting the Church, and those in need. This is achieved through friendship and group activities. Catenians develop a Catholic faith based friendship through regular circle meetings, where we pray, socialise and support each other practically and spiritually, therefore learning to become better Catholics, better citizens, better family men. If you would like to know more about our association contact John Egan on 01443 409246 or 07803199307.

Next SVP Meeting – Wednesday 8th March 7.30 pm in the hall annex – all welcome.

The Catholic Bible School is holding its next event here in St. Dyfrig's on Saturday 25th March. **The Birth of Jesus to the Last Amen** – what is actually in the New Testament, besides the stories of Jesus we find in the Gospels, and how does it all fit together? Why should we be concerned with these ancient letters and stories? What can they possibly have to do with us as modern people? Alan de Ste Croix will lead us through the entire New Testament exploring the

stories of the major characters and why they are still relevant to us today. We will meet in St. Dyfrig's Church Hall at 10 am until 3 pm. Tea, coffee and biscuits are provided but please bring your own packed lunch. For more information see the posters or fliers in the Narthex or go to www.catholic-bible-school.org/south-wales-events/mar17 or email catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com

Many thanks to Sunday Coffee morning patrons – a total of £345 has been given to the Church restoration fund.

Polish Lady is looking for a cleaning job. I have experience and references. If you need my help, please let me know, my name is Ella – 0773209118.

HYMN NUMBERS (Sat Mass) 4th March, Entrance 264; Offertory 273; Communion 560; Recessional 582.

COLLECTIONS: 26th February

Gift Aid Envelopes £332; Loose Collection £317.53; GA Heating £17.50.

Friends of St. Dyfrig's – 1st J L Wide £50; 2nd Maureen Carter £20; 3rd Anne Cleary, Francesca Jeremy, Miss D. Lindsey, £10.

ST DYFRIG'S PRAYER WALL

Our Parish Prayer Wall is in the narthex. Please write your intention on a post-it note and add it to the wall.

PARISH PRAYER LIST: We ask your prayers for:

Angela Yates	Margaret Burtonwood
Cyril & Albert Davies	Pam & David Coombes
Maureen Biddiscombe	Brian Parker
Chris Silva Rosa	Pina Morrish
Leslie Shinton	Maurice and Marian Robert
Betty John	Val Davies
Esther Davies	Jeanette Mears
Anne Locke	Myra Price
Rose Newman	Donna Jones
Chris Yews	Sian Russell
Thomas Zanchi	Rene Marengi
Agnes Hughes	Peggy Kawulok
Monica Hampton	Jackie Jones
Winnifred Davies	Joan Kimpton

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

	Time & Place	Service & Intention
Saturday 4th March	4.30 pm St. Dyfrig's 5.00 pm St. Dyfrig's 6.30 pm All Hallows	Reconciliation Mass – Deceased Members of the Meek Family Mass – Anne O'Dwyer
Sunday 5th March First Sunday of Lent	9.15 am All Hallows 10.45 am St. Dyfrig's	Mass – People of the Parish Mass – People of the Parish
Monday 6th March	9.30 am St. Dyfrig's 9.45 am St. Dyfrig's	Morning Prayer Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 7th March	9.30 am All Hallows	Mass - In Thanksgiving (Suzy/Phil Stacey)
Wednesday 8th March	9.30 am St. Dyfrig's 9.45 am St. Dyfrig's	Morning Prayer Mass - Fr Bernard Norris
Thursday 9th March	9.30 am All Hallows 2.15pm All Hallows 12.30 pm St. Dyfrig's	Mass - Repose of the Soul of Pat Coakley UCM Meeting Funeral Service Winifred Phillips
Friday 10th March CAFOD Family Fast	9.30 am St. Dyfrig's 9.45 am St. Dyfrig's 6.30 pm St Dyfrig's	Morning Prayer Mass – Kate Coakley Followed by Exposition until 3 pm Evening Prayer for Evangelisation
Saturday 11th March	4.30 pm 5.00 pm St. Dyfrig's 6.30 pm All Hallows	Sacrament of Reconciliation Mass – People of the Parish Mass – People of the Parish
Sunday 12th March Second Sunday of Lent	9.15 am All Hallows 10.45 am St. Dyfrig's	Mass – Bressington Family Int. Mass – Charlotte Whitcombe

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