

St Dyfrig's & All Hallows Catholic Churches

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Sunday 29th November 2020

First Sunday of Advent

Cycle B Psalter Week 1

Celebrating Christmas – how we celebrate our Christmas liturgy this year will depend upon how many stewards and people to sanitise the Church after each mass. The following mass times are being proposed:

Christmas Vigil 24th December All Hallows 6.00pm

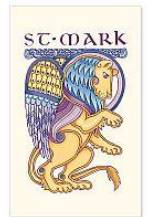
Night 24th December St Dyfrig's 8.30pm

Christmas Morning 25th December All Hallows 9.15 am, St Dyfrig's 11.00am

Of course there will be no Carol Service before the 8.30pm mass and no singing at the masses themselves.

Do you think you could ask for volunteers in the newsletter? These Christmas mass times will be dependent on the number of people who can help sanitise the churches between masses.

This is the shortest of all the Gospels and when you read it you sense that it was written by a man on a mission as he races through his narrative. If you have the time you can read this Gospel in a few hours. It is accepted that the author of the Gospel was Mark the interpreter of St. Peter and it is placed in Rome. He was a well-known figure in the early Church both in Rome and Jerusalem. St. Paul refers to him as a man of circumcision, therefore Jewish, St. Paul also tells us that Mark visited him in prison probably in Rome and Luke refers to him as John Mark from Jerusalem and that he travelled with St. Paul. St. Peter makes reference to him in 1 Peter 5:12-13), and refers to him as his spiritual son or disciple.



O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.



To download free posters that accompany the Gospel are found on godwhospeaks.uk/bible-society).



The Year of the God Who Speaks November 29th 2020 – January 23rd 2022

This Sunday, November 29th is the First Sunday of Advent. It is also the start of the extended Year of the God Who Speaks, which will now run from today until Sunday, January 23rd 2022.

From the start of Advent, we will be hearing the Sunday readings from the Gospel According to St. Mark.

Preparing for Christmas - Christmas 2020 may look and feel significantly different from recent Christmas celebrations but in one way it has not changed. We will be celebrating Jesus' birth.

Everyone is invited to join us in preparing for this significant celebration. We will have three sessions from 7-8 pm:

First Reading Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8 ; Second Reading Corinthians 1:3-9

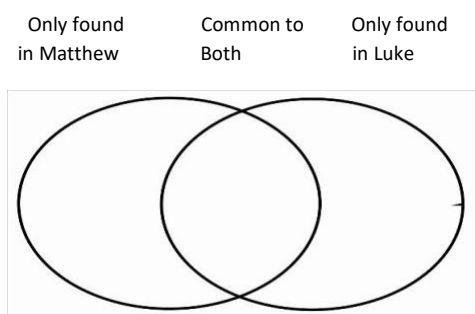
Gospel Mark 13:33-37

Responsorial Psalm: God of hosts bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia!

Tuesday 1 st December	Why we have the Infancy Narratives
Tuesday 8 th December	The Genealogy in Matthew's Gospel
Thursday 17 th December	The three Annunciation narratives

To get ready for the first week, read the Infancy Narratives in Matthew and Luke and complete a Venn diagram like the one below.



To attend use an internet browser either:

- Search for St Dyfrig's Treforest click the link to our website scroll down the page and you'll find the links to the Zoom session or
- Type zoom.us/join at the top of the page Meeting ID 856 3959 2285 Password 283491.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – a very big thank you to all at St. Dyfrig's and All Hallows who donated a gift filled shoe box to this year's appeal. Despite a year of fear and uncertainty a total of 71 shoe boxes and donations of £375 was received.

This year shoe boxes from South Wales will be distributed to children living in Albania, Belarus, Central Asia, Liberia and Nigeria.

Thank you so much on behalf of all the children who will receive shoe boxes this year. Your generosity will enable them to experience unimaginable joy and to hear of God's amazing love for them. Many thanks for your continued support. Teresa Jones

Belmont Abbey Retreat Saturday just log on to the website for the zoom connection. There will also be Advent Saturday Retreats on the 5th 12th and 19th December.

Celebrating Advent - As a Family at Home

<https://www.catholiceducation.org/en/culture/catholic-contributions/catholic-traditions-for-advent-and-christmas.html>

This website describes a number of ideas for families to celebrate Catholic Advent traditions. It provides a brief introduction to the season, stresses the need for us to keep Advent well or be swept up in the purely secular 'pre-Christmas' culture, before giving instructions on 11 'traditions' old and new (Advent wreath, Empty Manger, Jesse Tree, St Nicholas Day, Christ Candle, Mary Candle, St Lucy cakes, Nativity Scene, Christmas baking, Blessing of the Christmas Tree, the Great O Antiphons).

Free Jesse Tree sticker calendars from The Bible Society – linked to The Year of The Word: The God Who Speaks

As part of The Year of the Word: The God Who Speaks, free Jesse Tree resources are available on application to The Bible Society. These include Scripture passages to look up each day, quiz questions and stickers to make ornaments for a Jesse Tree. (These are free but at the bottom of the text there is the option to make a donation to the Catholic work of the Bible Society.) The Bible Society website contains links to other Christmas resources including booklets, a video and sticker sheets.

To order your Jesse Tree resource please contact Katy via email: katy.dorrer@biblesociety.org.uk

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer – this week we are asked to pray for Rev Canon David Hayman, Chancellor and the parishioners of The Sacred Heart and Saint Felix, Blaenavon.

ST. ILLTYD'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWPORT ROAD, RUMNEY, CARDIFF, CF3 1XQ. TEL. 02920 778174 www.stillydshigh.org.uk

School Chaplain. Grade 5 £11,426 - £13,389 (Actual Salary). Starting as soon as possible. The main purpose of this role is to work with school staff and pupils to ensure the Catholic ethos of the school is maintained and spiritual values are safeguarded.

The post is 22.5 hours per week term time only and is temporary for one year in the first instance.

Closing date for applications is Monday 7th December 2020 at 9am. Interviews to take place in the week beginning Monday 14th December 2020. Please apply via eteach.com

An Important Request from the Archbishop and the Catholic Education Service – The Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Bill currently progressing through the Senedd will have a detrimental impact on Catholic Schools and Catholic families across Wales. This Bill seeks to end the rights of parents to withdraw their children from Relationship and Sex Education and Religious Education. This is a vital right for parents, especially Catholic parents who cannot send their children to a Catholic school, as it ensures these sensitive subjects can be delivered in line with the Church teaching.

We are asking that people write to their Members of the Senedd asking them to halt these changes. If you visit the following website link it will produce a template letter for you MSs. All you need to do is type in your name, address and email and click submit.

<http://catholiceducation.org.uk/welshparenys>

We need MSs to know how serious an issue this is for the Catholic community, so please take part in this campaign and share this with friends and family.

All HALLOWS NEWS

New to our Parish: We welcome you; please let us know who you are. We invite you to complete one of our Parish Census Forms and tell us about yourselves. These forms are available in the Church Foyer.

SUNDAY MASS AT ALL HALLOWS

If you wish to attend Sunday Mass at All Hallows, please contact Teresa on 07599 155418 between 11.00am and 2.00 pm each Friday by text or phone call to book a place, if busy, please leave a voice message. **Please note the change in the times of booking for Mass from this week.**

NEWSLETTER - If you are sending information for the newsletter, please send it to llantrisant@rcadc.org. The deadline remains 11am on Wednesday mornings.

Columbarium Co-ordinator Barbara Hillier
01443 204973

Visits to the Crypt... have now resumed. If anyone wishes to visit the Crypt, the church is open **for mass at 10am to 11am Tuesday**, private prayer on **Thursday from 10.00 – 12.00 noon**, you are welcome to visit the Crypt during these times.

CHURCH PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS SERVICES

In line with government health and Safety guidelines for COVID 19 Cleaning and Sanitising Regulations, plans have to be in place that we have adequate teams to clean and sanitise the Church before and after each use. This is currently undertaken each week on the occasions that the Church is in use. With the Christmas Period beginning on the 24 December (Christmas Eve), we will need volunteers to help with the cleaning and sanitising of the church before and after Mass on the following: Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Sunday (Feast of the Holy Family). If you can help and participate on any of the above days, please give your name and contact details to Teresa Bressington and a rota will be drawn up in due course. The more volunteers we have, the more Masses we will be able to celebrate in our church. Contact Number 07599 155418 or email Teresabressington33@sky.com

E-Mail Addresses

As we communicate much more by email at the moment please email Suzy at llantrisant@rcadc.org and we can keep in touch via the Newsletter and other news.

Donations to All Hallows Funds

As our church is open in a limited in capacity, those who give regular donations during mass can donate at:

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/AllHallowsChurch>

Donations for the last three months are:

£ 75.00 in November

£ 99.10 in October

£203.65 in September

COLLECTIONS - Many parishioners are making regular monthly and weekly donations via the virgin money portal. These welcomed donations can be made anonymously but please record what the donation is for: Mass Stipends, Weekly or Monthly Collections or any other specific donation e.g. SVP donations, Easter Offerings etc. This will ensure we can allocate the donations correctly.

COLLECTIONS – In Masses have been as follows:

	Gift Aid	Non-Gift Aid	Loose
September	£ 883.00	£ 32.00	£ 29.00
October	£ 2,216.90	£ 58.00	£ 53.99
15th November	£ 1,234.00	£ 5.00	£ 46.00

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY COLLECTION

In October and November we collected **£205.50** for CAFOD, if you did not have a chance to donate but would like to, please use this link.

<https://cafod.org.uk/News/UK-news/Harvest-Fast-Day>

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES - Now that Masses are restarting again this year's envelopes are available in the foyer. As we have been asked not to apply to attend Mass every week then please place all your donations in a single envelope on the weeks you do attend. Envelopes and cash can be placed in a basket at the back of the Church as you leave. Last year's Gift Aid receipts are also available in the foyer. Please inform Tony Yule by phone (029 20890621) or email (apyule@bcs.org.uk) if your address has changed from that on the receipt of if you have any other queries regarding the scheme.

UCM MEMBERS ARE MEETING WEEKLY VIA ZOOM if you would like to join us the meeting starts at 2:30 pm each Thursday for our prayers and a chat. If you have formed a bubble with another UCM member you can meet them and join us by ZOOM. The meeting lasts for 45 minutes and you are welcome to join us. Please let Kath Atfield or Suzy Stacey know and you will be sent the code and password for the meeting.

ALL HALLOWS PRAYER WALL

Our Prayer wall is now available on our website at <http://www.pontypriddrcdeanery.org.uk/churches/Ilantrisant> There is a contact form where you can request an addition to our prayer wall or ask for a mass intention. Or contact Suzy Ilantrisant@rcadc.org

LECTIO DIVINA - please contact Anna Mayer at Anna@mayer.co.uk if you wish to join the group. The next Lectio Divina Group will be Monday 30th November 2020 at 6.30pm. The Group will be meeting every week via Zoom unless otherwise stated.

ALL HALLOWS PARISH 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Next year will be the 25th Anniversary of the opening of our Parish Church here at Miskin. We have had a few names of interested people who have offered their help to plan for this occasion within our parish. Due the COVID situation, this has held up any chance to take things forward. However, not to say this will not happen, we will, as soon as things become more normal arrange to meet and discuss ideas and plans to

make 2021 a special year for our Parish. Your help and participation in this will be gratefully received.

Our Parish Prayer Wall is in the LADY CHAPEL. Please write the name of the person you wish to pray for on a post-it note and add it to the wall or email Suzy

Please join us in prayer, as we ask for your prayers for
Margaret and Silvano Sidoli *Bacchetta Family*
Helen Howell *Bassam Fathola*
Ceri Philip *Heather Duff (Trigg)*
Canon Patrick Daly *Maureen Fuller*
Cardoza & Alexander Families

Please help us to manage our Prayer Wall by letting us know when names need to be updated

St. Dyfrig's News

Newsletter items – please email kate.duffin@hotmail.co.uk, no later than 11 am on Wednesdays. Mass Bookings between 11 am and 2pm on Wednesday 07709618735 by text or phone call, if busy please leave a voice message.

VIRTUAL TEA & COFFEE - Our Sunday tea and coffee still carries on after every Sunday Mass. If you want to join us, simply pop the kettle on and click the teacup on the front-page of our website. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to catching up with you over a nice steaming cuppa! **Please note the new joining ID and Passcode.**

*(If you need them: Meeting ID: 810 9907 3706
Passcode: 676978)*

Pontypridd Food Bank – Ilan Community Centre Rhydyfelin CF37 5HL are open to receive donations and can be made between Mondays and Fridays, 9 am to 11.15 am. They are short of the following tinned items: fish or meat (not pork or ham). Tinned vegetables, (not peas) rice pudding, tinned fruit ; jam, crisps, sweets and chocolates. Toiletries, toilet rolls.

SVP Support Lines - St. Dyfrig's SVP - if you or anyone else you know is isolated and lonely and would welcome a chat, we are here on the end of the phone. If we can help in any other way we will, but obviously within the Government guidelines. Our love and prayers to you all. Keep well, keep safe, stay at home.

Angela Hunter: 01443 207935
Allan Cleary: 01443 400605
Ann Cleary: 01443 400605
Anne Parker: 01443 842825
Cath Carroll: 01443 207576: 07482 406215

Julie Gilbertson: 01443 205041
 Lesley Hughes: 01443 205077: 07799 613527
 Mary Richards: 07855 241289
 Richard Boyle: 01443 400189
 Sandra Phillips: 01443 203207

We now have pages on Virgin Money Giving for donations to be made to both parishes during this time when normal collections cannot be taken. When donating via Virgin Money there is a box available for comment. Parishioners can specify in this section a specific destination for their donation, e.g. Parish Funds, Easter Offering, Mass Intention etc. The links for donations are as follows:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/StDyfrigsChurchTreforest>

Collections at St. Dyfrig's - some months have the heating envelopes combined in the gift aiding totals. Thank you for your generosity for both church and heating collections.

August

Gift Aid £643.57
 Loose collection £539.85
 Easter Offering £20.00
 Lenten Lunch £130.00

September

Gift Aid £489.54
 Loose collection £367.00

October

Gift Aid £1,299.00
 Loose collection £720.07
 CAFOD Collection £172.20
 Hawthorn Mission £60.00

November

Gift Aid £750.00
 Loose Collection £706.00
 Gift Aid Heating £221.00

Friends of St. Dyfrig's

October: 1st D. Reynolds £50; 2nd Jan Bennett £20; 3rd J. Dyer, Kath Lewis, M. Chowdhury, £10.

A number of cheques are ready from this and earlier draws. If you would like them to be posted, please contact the Parish Office with your address.

November: 1st £50; 2nd M. Carter. T. Jones £20; 3rd M. McCarthy, Mr M. Wide, C. Jenkins £10.

A number of cheques are ready from this and earlier draws. If you would like them to be posted, please contact the Parish Office with your address

ST. DYFRIG'S PRAYER WALL

Prayer for Our Community:

O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world. [Please add your own intentions.] . . . Knowing you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God, amen. (Fr Richard Rohr)

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

PARISH PRAYER LIST: We ask your prayers for:

- Cyril, Maurice, Albert and Robert Davis
- Angela Doyle Mrs Wilks
- Brenda Smith Joan Quinn
- Agnes Hughes Winifred Davies
- Peggy Kawulok Poppy & Kelly Morris
- Brin Davidge Elizabeth Terry
- Verna Caines Ken Biddiscombe
- Pete Leueis Canon William Isaacs
- William, John (Jackie) Picton
- Rene Marengi Chris Da Silva Rosa
- Elizabeth Holland Lauren Gibson
- June Thomas Celia Thomas
- Pat Holmes Chris Shearan
- Ruth Pinder Anne Atkins
- Marion Toms Giovanna Trigg
- Cathy Spencer Wendy Collier

	Time & Place	Service & Intention
Saturday 28th November Votive Memorial of Our Lady	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Mass Live streamed – Kate Reynolds (RiP)
Sunday 29th November First Sunday of Advent (Cycle B)	All Hallows 9.15 a.m. St Dyfrig's 11 a.m.	Mass with congregation – The People of the Parish Mass with congregation and Live streamed – The Young People of the World
Monday 30 th November	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Live stream Mass – Eileen Mary Coyne
Tuesday 1 st December	All Hallows 10 a.m.	Mass with congregation – Margaret Coyle
Wednesday 2 nd December	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Mass Live streamed and with Congregation (no need to reserve a place) – Gordon Mason and Fr Colin Henneberry Followed by Private Prayer and Adoration until 12 noon
Thursday 3 rd December	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m. All Hallows 10-12 noon	Mass Live streamed – Special Intention (CJW)
Friday 4 th December	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Mass Live streamed – Rene Marengi
Saturday 5 th December	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Mass Live streamed – Stewart Reed
Sunday 6 th December	All Hallows 9.15 a.m. St Dyfrig's 11 a.m.	Mass with congregation – Mass with congregation and Live streamed – The People of the Parish

All Hallows Roman Catholic Church

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Parish Admin: Suzy Stacey 07734 701449

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Parish Administrator: Leigh Jenkins - 07385 840029

Hall Bookings: Dave Rossiter 01443 491397

drossiter2011@btinternet.com

Safeguarding Rep: Maggie White 01443 410593

Schools: St Michael's RC Primary School, John Place, Treforest. (Head: Mrs J. Taylor) 01443 570090
Cardinal Newman Catholic Comprehensive, Dynea Road, Rhydyfelin. (Head: Mr J O'Sullivan) 01443 494110

Hospital Catholic Chaplains. The Heath, Cardiff: Rev. David Prichard

Two Churches Newsletter. All items for inclusion no later than 11am Wednesday please

To receive an electronic copy of the Newsletter, please email treforest@rcadc.org