



St Dyfrig's & All Hallows Catholic Churches

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Sunday 13th December 2020

Third Sunday of Advent

Cycle B Psalter Week 3

Christmas Masses - Thank you to all those who have volunteered to clean the churches between the masses. Fr Allan will contact you and allocate you to a particular mass - noting your preferences. Thank you for your generosity.

CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS AT ALL HALLOWS AT 6.00PM
MASS OF CHRISTMAS NIGHT AT ST DYFRIG'S AT 8.30PM.

CHRISTMAS DAY MORNING MASS AT ALL HALLOWS AT 9.15AM
CHRISTMAS DAY MORNING MASS AT ST DYFRIG'S AT 11.00AM

Sunday 27th December, Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

1st January, The Solemnity of The Holy Mother of God, once again we are asking for volunteers to clean the church and stewards. If you are able to volunteer please contact Fr Allan, Teresa or Kate.

Since we will not all be able to fit into those times, we are reminded that Christmas has an Octave, a week in which every day and every Mass is a celebration of Christ being born for us and amongst us. So we can spread ourselves through the feast days and the quiet days, or join the livestream when mass is celebrated without a congregation.

For St. Dyfrig's please contact Kate Duffin in order to reserve a place at any of the Christmas masses – 07709618735 or email kate.duffin@hotmail.co.uk on Wednesday 16th December.

For All Hallows please contact Teresa Bressington in order to reserve a place at any of the Christmas masses – 07599 155418 or email

Teresabressington33@sky.com on Friday 18th December.

Preparing for Christmas - we will continue with our preparation next **Wednesday** 16th, everyone is invited to join us, from 7-8 pm: Preparation – read the Annunciation to Zechariah Luke 1: 5-25, Joseph Matthew 1:18-25 and Mary Luke 1:26-36.

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.



“The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to give the good news to the poor.” (Lk 4:18)



You may also like the following You Tube clips:

1. Bishop Robert Barron on Christmas

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eUW-A2qZzWY>



2. Bishop Robert Barron on Christmas and the Prologue in the Gospel of St. John



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wcmGmao-TJA>

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

First Reading Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11 ; **Second Reading** Thessalonians 5:16-24

Gospel John 1:6-8, 19-28

Responsorial Psalm: My soul rejoices in my God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor. Alleluia!

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer – this week we are asked to pray for Rev Canon John Griffiths, VF. and the parishioners of Our Lady of the Angels, Cwmbran, Sisters of Saint Joseph of Annecy, Llantarnam Abbey, the staff, pupils and governors of Our Lady of the Angels Primary School.

Next week's newsletter will be a double edition – if you have any articles for late December early January please submit them on time.

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS – World Gifts are a range of virtual charity gifts that will delight the family and friends as alternative Christmas presents, and at the same time help transform the lives of families living in poverty. Please go to the CAFOD website.

The December edition of the Catholic People is now available on the Archdiocesan website.



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 on request.

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.

MASS BOOKINGS FOR THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD

On Friday 18th December, Teresa will be taking bookings for Mass attendance for the following:

Sunday 20th December	Mass 9.15 am
Christmas Eve (24th)	Vigil Mass 6.00pm
Christmas Day (25th)	Mass 9.15 am
Sunday 27th December (Feast of the Holy Family)	Mass 9.15 am

It is important that if it is your intention to attend any of the above masses that you contact Teresa **between 11.00 am and 2.00pm on Friday 18th December** to

ensure that you book a place accordingly. Teresa will confirm with you if a place is available and book you in as appropriate. It is envisaged that this will be a busy time and **it is important that you book your place between the times listed**. Please either **telephone or text Teresa on 07599 155418**

Only people who have booked a place and received confirmation will be allowed to attend mass. We have to adhere to Government regulations on Covid 19 guidelines on the number of people allowed to attend to ensure safe social distancing ruling.

CHRISTMAS CHURCH CLEANING

In preparation for the Christmas Services we will be having a general clean and freshen up of the church on Wednesday 23 December at 10.00am. We would be grateful if you can assist in this task and come along at 10.00 am and help. Many hands make light work and it would be greatly appreciated any help that could be offered. Thank you.

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.

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:

£ 82.25 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
22nd November	£ 666.00	£ 0.00	£ 46.50
29th November	£ 417.00	£ 0.00	£ 44.00
6th December	£ 576.00	£ 72.00	£ 0.00

COLLECTION FOR “SEA SUNDAY” 20th December

This collection has been deferred by the Charity because all churches were closed on the normal “Sea Sunday” weekend in July. The collection is to support all of those who work at sea and have to leave their families, in these uncertain times and endanger their own lives, to provide us with fresh fish. If you do not have a chance to donate in church on this weekend you can do so on-line at <https://www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk/charity/stellarmaris>

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 ABLE TO PRAY TOGETHER WEEKLY IN CHURCH AND MEET VIA ZOOM

If you would like to join us for our prayers they will start at 12 Noon on each Thursday. Under current COVID 19 regulations: our prayers cannot be followed by a meeting, so we will continue to meet via Zoom at 14:30 each Thursday. If you would like to join us please contact Kath Attfield or Suzy Stacey.

ALL HALLOWS PRAYER WALL

Our Prayer wall is now available on our website at <http://www.pontypriddrcdeanery.org.uk/churches/llantrisant> There is a contact form where you can request an addition to our prayer wall or ask for a mass intention. Or contact Suzyllantrisant@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 14th

December 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

Emergency Food Voucher Scheme

The Archdiocese of Cardiff have been awarded funds to provide £10 food vouchers to individuals or families who are experiencing financial hardship. Each parish has been awarded an initial £500 worth of vouchers and St Michaels and Cardinal Newman school will also been given vouchers. Lesley Hughes Treasurer of St. Dyfrig’s SVP has kindly offered to administer the voucher scheme for St. Dyfrig’s. If you think you know an individual or family who could benefit from a food voucher Lesley can be contacted via email on lesleyhughes32@gmail.com or by phone on 01443 205077 or 07799613527. Please note we have been asked by the grant giver to monitor how the scheme is used so Lesley will need some basic (not names) information about the individual or family receiving the food voucher.

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)*

Aid to the Church in Need - have an on line petition if you are able to sign to protect persecuted Christians, this time Maira and her family. See Aid to the Church in Need #Red Wednesday Petition.

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.

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 - Details of collections for the last 2 weeks:

Gift aid £900.00
 Loose collection £560.00
 Christmas Offering £20.00
 Craft card donation £20.00

Parishioner loose change donation £162.00

Friends of St. Dyfrig's

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 Theresa Meek £50; 2nd M. Carter. T. Jones £20; 3rd M. McCarthy, Mr M. Wide, C. Jenkins £10.

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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	Chris Da Silva Rosa
Peggy Kawulok	Poppy & Kelly Morris
Brin Davidge	Elizabeth Terry
Verna Caines	Ken Biddiscombe
Pete Leueis	Canon William Isaacs
William, John (Jackie) Picton	
Elizabeth Holland	Lauren Gibson
June Thomas	Celia Thomas
Pat Holmes	Chris Shearan
Ruth Pinder	Anne Atkins
Marion Toms	Giovanna Trigg
Joe Howlin	Cathy Spencer
Wendy Collier	

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

	Time & Place	Service & Intention
Saturday 12 th December Our Lady of Guadalupe	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Mass Live streamed – Mr Paul
Sunday 13 th December Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday	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 – James Comerford
Monday 14 th December St. John of the Cross	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Live stream Mass – Living and deceased members of the Bater Family
Tuesday 15 th December	All Hallows 10 a.m.	Mass with congregation – Attfield (In Thanksgiving)
Wednesday 16 th December	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Mass Live streamed and with Congregation (no need to reserve a place) –deceased parishioners of St Dyfrig's Followed by Private Prayer and Adoration until 12 noon
Thursday 17 th December	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m. All Hallows 10-12 noon	Mass Live streamed – The end of the pandemic
Friday 18 th December	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Mass Live streamed – The wellbeing of St Dyfrig's
Saturday 19 th December	St Dyfrig's 10 a.m.	Mass Live streamed – John Gilbertson Fr Allan will say a mass For the People of the Parish privately.
Sunday 20 th December Fourth Sunday of Advent	All Hallows 9.15 a.m. St Dyfrig's 11 a.m.	Mass with congregation – Kim Davies-Stacey RIP Mass with congregation and Live streamed –

All Hallows Roman Catholic Church

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 Parish Admin: Suzy Stacey 07734 701449
 Hall Bookings: Pamela Harding 01443 556796
 Maintenance Manager: Shamus Harding 01443 556796 or 07928524176

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 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