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Parish Newsletter

Weekend 27th and 28th February 2021

Second Sunday of Lent

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Mass Times and Intentions week beginning 28 th February				
			Canon	Fr. Dwayne
Sunday 28 th February Second Sunday of Lent	Online	10.00am	Mairead Sutherland – RIP	Katherine Law – Anniversary (UMcC)
Monday 1 st March St. David, Bishop, Patron of Wales – Solemnity	Online	10.00am	Angela Hendy – Anniversary (DH)	Pat Norris – RIP (PS)
Tuesday 2 nd March	Online	10.00am	Chris Brown – Recently Deceased (JB)	Sally Stretton – RIP (PS)
Wednesday 3 rd March	Online	10.00am	Holy Souls	Fr. Ray O’Shea – RIP
Thursday 4 th March St. Casimir	Online	10.00am	Covid-19 victims their families and friends (TC)	Mario Trisolini and Bruna Rossi – RIP (Paolo)
Friday 5 th March	Online	10.00am	Private Intention	George Allen – RIP
Saturday 6 th March	Online	10.00am	Donor’s Intention	Private intention – London family (TC)
Sunday 7 th March Third Sunday of Lent	Online	10.00am	For the People of the Parish	Professor Ukwu I Ukwu – Anniversary (RE)

St. Teilo’s remains closed for public worship

Due to the Alert Level Four in place for the whole of Wales, with a very high risk of infection and the ‘at risk’ profile of many of our parishioners, **Mass will be live streamed only from St. Teilo’s** until further notice.

Please take the Welsh Government advice and STAY AT HOME if at all possible.

The Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales has confirmed that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended.

Quote of the Week



“O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory.”

The Collect of the Second Sunday of Lent.



Live Streaming

The webcam in St. Teilo’s will be left on at all times, so please take the opportunity to ‘look in’ on the Church for prayer at any time.

Mass Times

Mass will continue to be broadcast live on the Parish Website from St. Teilo's at 10am each day. You are encouraged, not only to listen and watch the Mass but to take part by making the responses in your own home.

At Communion time each day, we will be led in praying St. Alphonse Liguori's Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
AMEN.

Dial for Mass

We continue to operate the 'Dial for Mass' scheme for those who do not have access to the Internet. Ring to access our 'Dial for Mass' service. Mass will be available each Sunday from about 2.00pm and you can hear the previous Sunday's Mass by ringing the service at any time of day or night during the week. The number is a local number from Cardiff based landlines – 22 670 999. If you are dialling from outside Cardiff or from a mobile phone, you will need to dial 029 2267 0999.

Canon Isaac

Canon reports that he continues to feel well in himself and is celebrating Mass each day according to the intentions printed in the newsletter. Canon's next scan, to see if the good part of the liver continues to grow, takes place on Monday afternoon. So please say an extra prayer for him on that day.

Rest in Peace



In your mercy, please pray for the repose of the souls of Fr. Ray O'Shea, Mrs. Winifred Withers, a faithful parishioner of many years, and Chris Brown, the stepson of another faithful parishioner, Mrs. Joan Brown, who have all died recently. Fr. Ray's body will be received into St. Brigid's Church on Wednesday, March 3rd at 4.30pm with Evening Prayer. The Requiem Mass for Fr. Ray will take place the following day, Thursday March 4th at 11.30am also at St. Brigid's, followed by committal at Thornhill Crematorium. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, attendance at both services is limited to family members and invited guests. However online attendance at both the Reception of the Body and the Requiem Mass will be available on the St. Brigid's Livestream which is available [here](#).

Mrs. Withers' Requiem Mass will take place at St. Teilo's on Tuesday, March 16th at 10.30am before burial at Western Cemetery. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, attendance is limited to family members and invited guests. However online attendance at the Requiem Mass will be available on the [Parish Livestream](#).

Please pray also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Archbishop Michael McGrath, Archbishop Peter Smith, Fr. John James Thomas, Fr. William Lloyd, Antonio Peries, Mary Stenson, Violet Weakley, Florence James, Elizabeth Hendrickson, Ann Dowdell, Kathleen Sumner, Mary Griffin, Mary Learman, Marjorie Rawlings, Margaret Welch, David Jones, Ronald Mitchell, Joyce Brown, Angela Hendy, Mabel Hyde, Maurice Lenehan, Catherine Jenkins, Daisy Hill, John Brennan, John Douglas, Pauline Clifford, Michael Jefferies, Mabel Boland, James Kinsey, Mary Aviles, John Hallett, Susan O'Keefe, Pdraig Bradley, Sheila Thomas, Dina Fantini, Margaret Bruton, Sara Davies and Margaret Cross.

A Message from His Grace the Archbishop

One Year On: Remembering Our Loved Ones

On March 23rd we will reach a significant milestone in the country's fight against Coronavirus: for it was on this day that we entered the first of the lockdowns. With these words of the Prime Minister, our lives radically changed and the era of a 'new normal' was ushered in:

"From this evening I must give the British people a very simple instruction - you just stay home".

Since then, we as a nation have lost over 121,000 lives, with the total here in Wales exceeding 5,000. These are no mere statistics: each number is a life, each life is a memory, each life is a family trying to grieve in such exceptional circumstances.

On Tuesday, March 23rd, I will celebrate a Solemn Requiem Mass at St. David's Cathedral for all the faithful departed who have died as a consequence of the pandemic. I have opened a Book of Remembrance at the Cathedral and I invite you to send in the names of your loved ones who have died over the last year as a result of the pandemic. At the Requiem Mass, the Book of Remembrance will be given pride of place before the Pascal Candle. If you would like the name of your loved one included in the Book of Remembrance, please email Fr. Daniel at cathedral@rcadc.org.

The Solemn Requiem Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral at 12:45pm on Tuesday, March 23rd. The Requiem Mass will be live streamed through the [Cathedral webcam](#).

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

With every blessing,

Archbishop George Stack

St. David's Day

Monday, March 1st, is the celebration of the Patron Saint of Wales, St. David. Why not celebrate St. David's Day and pray for all the people of Wales by joining in Mass online at 10.00am on the Solemnity? While singing is not permitted in our churches at present, you are welcome to join in at home with the lovely hymn written by Archbishop Mostyn, the former Archbishop of Cardiff:

O Great Saint David, still we hear thee call us,
unto a life that knows no fear of death.
Yea, down the ages, will thy words enthral us,
strong happy words: 'Be joyful, keep the faith.'

Chorus: On Cambria's sons stretch out thy hands in blessing;
for our dear land thy help we now implore.
Lead us to God, with humble hearts confessing
Jesus, Lord and King for evermore.

Christ was the centre rock of all thy teaching,
God's holy will – the splendour of its theme.
His grace informed, His love inflamed thy preaching;
Christ's sway on earth, the substance of thy dream.

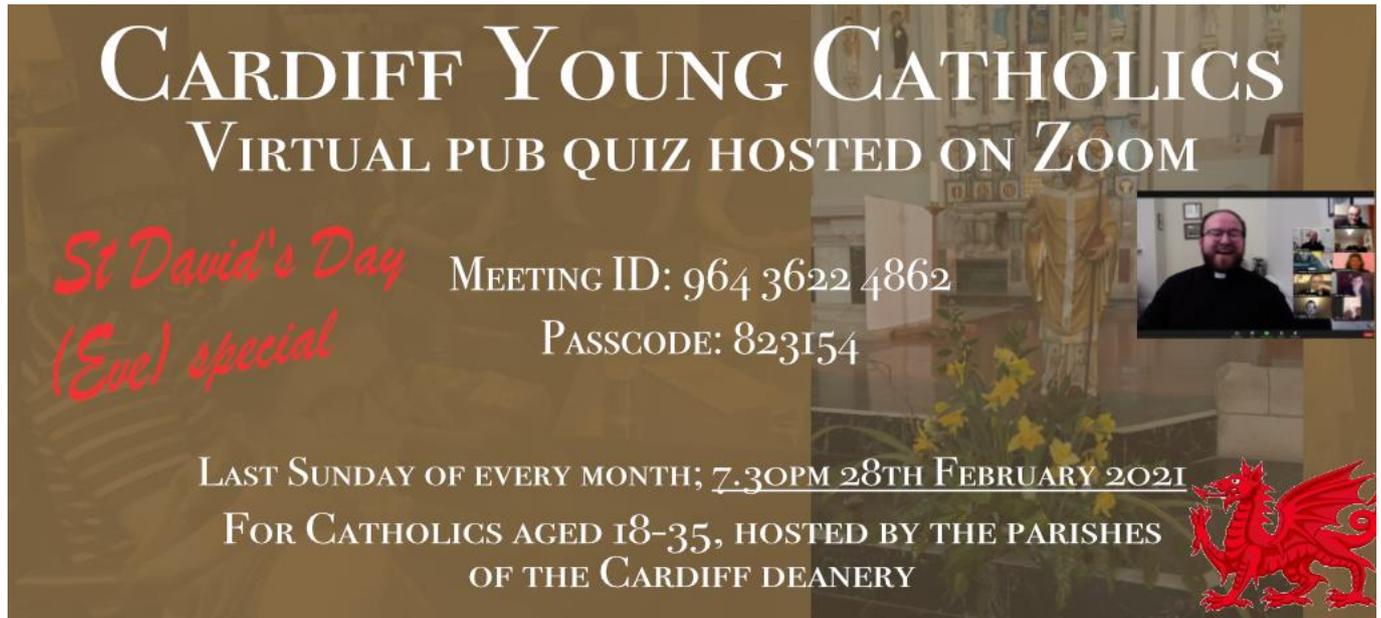
Chorus

In early childhood, choosing Jesus only,
thy fervour showed his yoke was light and sweet!
And thus for thee, life's journey was not lonely,
the path made plain by prints of wounded feet.

Chorus

O glorious saint, we wander in the dark;
with thee we seek our trusted guide in Rome.
Help him to steer on earth Saint Peter's barque,
that we may safely reach our heavenly home.

Cardiff Young Catholic Zoom meeting this evening



CARDIFF YOUNG CATHOLICS
VIRTUAL PUB QUIZ HOSTED ON ZOOM

St David's Day
(Eve) special

MEETING ID: 964 3622 4862
PASSCODE: 823154

LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH; 7.30PM 28TH FEBRUARY 2021
FOR CATHOLICS AGED 18-35, HOSTED BY THE PARISHES
OF THE CARDIFF DEANERY

Fr. Dwayne's Book - The Word of God: Between the Lines

Those who attended Mass last Monday will have heard Fr. Dwayne ask for prayers for the success of the manuscript he has just submitted to a publisher in the hope that it will be published as a book.

A number of you who heard Fr. Dwayne's request have asked what the potential book is about. Fr. Dwayne explains:

My first parish assignment was in Lviv, Ukraine, then a part of the USSR. Many young adults with little religious upbringing sought Christ at the city's Roman Catholic Cathedral, but in 1991, we, the clergy and religious lacked a Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) programme for them. Until such resources could be produced, 15-20 of us met weekly to preview the Sunday Mass readings. We employed the 'Great Books' Discussion methods. These exercises formed us into a community, not unlike the original Church. The book is about this experience and the way that I subsequently took this programme to the US, Poland and the UK.

Biblicist, Dr. Mirosław Wróbel of the Catholic University of Lublin, has provided valuable advice and support to me in writing the book. It is intended as a guide in a four-volume set of background material and discussion questions following the Sunday Lectionary's three-year cycle and a volume for holydays. Instead of providing answers, this work seeks to pique inquiry by asking the right questions in the spirit of faith exploration. The Word of God: Between the Lines challenges, intrigues, and delights the reader. It is hoped that there will be English and Polish versions. It is now with the publisher, so I hope it is accepted for publication and agreed with little amendments. I welcome and appreciate the prayerful support of the parish that the book will be published and finds a following.

God bless you! *Fr. Dwayne*

Personal Devotions for Lent



The God Who Speaks Team has gathered together a selection of online Stations of the Cross and prayer resources to aid personal devotions during Lent. They may be accessed [here](#).



Perpetual Adoration

Perpetual Adoration is the Eucharistic devotion whereby members of a community unite in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament exposed, both during the day and throughout the night, seven days a week. While we may not be able to facilitate Perpetual Adoration in the parish, we are able to join with other communities who practise this devotion by attending adoration online. During Lent, why not set time aside to pray before the Blessed Sacrament along with others throughout the world. [This link](#) draws together adoration sites from throughout the world. It can be handy if one or other of the regular centres is offline.

The first site in the link above is the Convent of the Benedictine Adorers at Tyburn, London. A number of parishioners have mentioned that they appreciate adoration at this centre as the shadows created by the monstrance on the back wall remind them that this opportunity of prayer is happening in the same time zone as we are when we are praying. You can [link directly to the Tyburn Convent Adoration site](#).

The Art of Listening – Lent Retreat Days – Belmont Abbey



The Lenten Retreat continues on the Wednesday mornings of Lent. Each Wednesday, Fr. Brendan Thomas OSB will be leading three hours of reflection and prayer from Belmont Abbey. The 'day' will last from 10am to 1pm including Mass from the Abbey at 11.30am via Zoom. To follow the Retreat, please register at the [link here](#). Videos of the talks will be made available online after each talk, if you are not able to

take part live. These will be available at the same link.



Finding Hope in Scripture Online Lenten Retreat



This Retreat led by Sr. Hyacinthe of the Portsmouth Diocese takes place on Mondays in Lent at 7.30pm. The Retreat will take a look at the virtue of hope from different Scripture passages, so that we may grow in hope with others. The reflections will be followed by live-streamed Adoration and Compline with the Dominican Sisters of St. Joseph. [Register here to participate](#).



Knowing Jesus – Ignatian Spirituality Centre Lent Online Retreat developed in collaboration with Radio 4



Knowing Jesus is a Retreat open to all who are interested in coming to know Jesus better. If we are to follow Jesus and imitate Him, we need to know Him through His words and actions as shown in the Gospels.



The Retreat is an invitation to spend a little time each day during Lent in coming to understand, know and love Jesus ever more closely.

The Retreat invites you to ponder Gospel stories, reflect on their meaning and see how startlingly relevant Jesus is to living a truly human life in the 21st Century. The Retreat, produced in Scotland by the Society of Jesus, is available online at [Online Prayer](#). A smartphone app is being developed and will be launched before Ash Wednesday.

Every day there is a passage from Scripture plus 'A Thought for Today', a piece of music and a picture to ponder. The Retreat team also gives suggestions on how to pray with the day's materials. Participants are invited to find a time to pray with the Scripture or other material daily; anything from 15 minutes to an hour a day, whatever works best for you.

If you wish to receive a daily email reminder to pray [click here](#)

If you wish to receive more details about the Retreat and the App [click here](#). Small group discussions will be facilitated during Lent. If you would like to join a group weekly to share the fruits of your prayer, then [register for one of our online groups here](#)

The BBC [Radio 4 Daily Service](#) will be taking up the themes of the Retreat (Monday to Friday 9.45am – Radio 4 Long Wave). So those who cannot access the web or app will be able to take part in the Retreat via the Radio.

Global Healing

The Global Catholic Climate Movement has developed a series of reflections for Lent. These take place across the Thursdays of Lent from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. You are welcome to join, even if you missed the earlier sessions.

In 2015, Pope Francis published his ground-breaking letter on the environment, 'Laudato Si'. Since then, millions of people worldwide have joined the global movement to address the environmental crisis our world is facing.

This Lent, the Global Catholic Climate Movement is inviting YOU to join them for a series of reflective evenings with inspiring speakers, prayer and discussion, using the film-based resource "Global Healing". These engaging documentaries will inform and challenge people to respond to Pope Francis' call to Care for Our Common Home. Suitable for all who are concerned about what is happening to our world and who want to take action. Please [click here](#) for more details.

Prayers

Many thanks to the parishioner who has sent us these prayers to share this week.

A prayer in the midst of the COVID-19 Pandemic

Lord Jesus,

Just as You journeyed alongside the disciples on the road to Emmaus,
be alongside us as we journey through these dark times.

Help us to reflect and find comfort from
the comforting words of the Bible where divine love,
mercy and justice are ever present.

We remember all those whose lives have been touched by the COVID-19 virus
– may Your loving kindness keep them close to you.

Inspire us with Your message of hope in the Resurrection,
as we seek to keep ourselves and those who are close to us
safe and well in these challenging times.

We ask this prayer in Your name's sake.

Amen

A Prayer for Health Staff

Wondrous God, author of life,

You fashioned us in Your likeness
and breathed into us the life which is Your own.

Be with those whose special care
is the health of mind and body.

Fill their hearts with awe for the life which is Your gift
and sustain them daily in Your service,
that their hands may bring to others
the comfort of Your healing touch.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Prayer for those Affected

Merciful God, come to the help of Your people.

Be our shelter in this time of peril
and strengthen the bonds of our community.

Bring healing to all who suffer the ravages of disease
and assist those whose skill and art can put an end to this affliction.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Headteacher - Archbishop McGrath Catholic High School

Salary Range L31-L37 + Relocation Assistance Package of up to £8,000 for the right candidate

Archbishop McGrath Catholic High School in Bridgend is looking for a Headteacher with the energy, and vision to build on their significant achievements, continuing to raise standards within their caring, inclusive Catholic ethos.

They are seeking an experienced and inspiring leader to provide an environment where every single individual matters and where everyone has an opportunity to succeed. They have a strong commitment to ensuring that the learner is at the heart of everything they do. They are looking for a Headteacher who has the vision, skills and partnership approach to allow all staff to realise their full potential.

Archbishop McGrath Catholic High School is a popular school located on a purpose-built site in Bridgend since 2011. There are 879 learners on roll, including a strong 6th form, with around 50% of learners from Catholic families. The school has positive relationships with the Archdiocese, the local authority, and the regional consortium.

They require a committed and practising Catholic to lead their inclusive school community, with a strong personal faith that will encourage others to live the school's mission and a positive attitude towards supporting the Welsh language, culture and history and a distinctly Welsh curriculum and assessment strategy in Wales.

For more information about this exciting opportunity, please contact our recruitment partner Emma Colvill whose details you will find on the last page of the candidate pack.

In addition, you will need to submit a supporting statement, detailing your track record, relevant experience, skills and competencies.

Please email your application to Emma Colvill

To apply for the position, please follow this link.

<https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/headteacher-bridgend-1405528>

Closing date: Monday, March 15th

Shortlisting: Tuesday, March 16th

Interviews: Thursday & Friday, March 25th and 26th .

Start Date: September 2021

National Novena to St. Joseph - APF – Mill Hill - March 10th – 18th



In this Year dedicated to St. Joseph, the Mill Hill Missionaries, in collaboration with the APF are preparing 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's missionary outreach and for the intentions of all those who support their work.

The Mill Hill Missionaries are offering their annual Novena of Masses and Prayers in preparation for the Feast of St. Joseph, their patron, at St. Joseph's Church in Maidenhead from Wednesday, March 10th to Thursday, March 18th. For the first time this year, Masses from St. Joseph's Church will be available to follow via the St. Joseph's Parish [YouTube](#) site or and via the Mill Hill [Novena webpage](#). The novena webpage also allows you to download the Novena prayer leaflet.

You are encouraged to join in the Novena by praying the daily Novena prayer. If you are unable to access the website to download a prayer leaflet you can request a printed prayer leaflet by writing to the Novena Director, 41 Victoria Road, Liverpool, L37 1LW, or emailing novenamhm@gmail.com.

Housebound Parishioners without internet access

If any parishioner knows of any Catholic in the parish who is housebound and unable to access the parish newsletter online, please let us know at whitchurch@rcadc.org so that the newsletter can be mailed directly to them. Many thanks to Peter Searle who prints and posts the newsletter to housebound parishioners each week.

Donations to the Parish – Virgin Money Giving

Donations to the parish made online should be completed at the following web address:
<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/Steiloswithold>

Please continue to donate via Virgin Money Giving for those one-off donations or consider a Standing Order for regular monthly donations to the life of the parish. If you would like to set up a standing order, please e-mail whitchurch@rcadc.org for more information.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to book Mass Intentions, please do so by email to whitchurch@rcadc.org. The donations can be made via the [Donation link](#) on the Parish Website. The guidance is that the minimum donation for a Mass intention should be £10 but your donation amount is at your discretion.

Online Newsletter

If you have any items you would like us to include in the newsletter, please email:
whitchurch@rcadc.org.

Praying for the Sick and the Dead

We have a long-standing tradition of praying for the sick and the recently deceased by name during our Masses on weekdays. During the pandemic, we are remembering our sick and dead at each Mass. Please do let me know if you would like me to add someone to the sick list or the list of the recently deceased. To do so, please email me on whitchurch@rcadc.org ensuring that you include the person's name and whether (s)he should be added to the sick list or the list of those who have died.

Staying in touch with the Parish

If there are any updates on the situation or items of parish news, these will be updated first on the parish Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/stteilos.olol/>) or the parish twitter account (https://twitter.com/stteilos_olol) followed by the parish website (<https://stteilos-olol.co.uk/>).

Children's Liturgy and Family Time

The sheet that would have been used for Children's Liturgy this weekend is below; many thanks to Nick for providing them and for all that he is doing to support the children of our parish at this time. You can access the companion Family Time Leaflet by clicking on [this link](#).

Name _____

ROOTS Activity Sheet

February 2021
Transfiguration



Mark 9.2-9

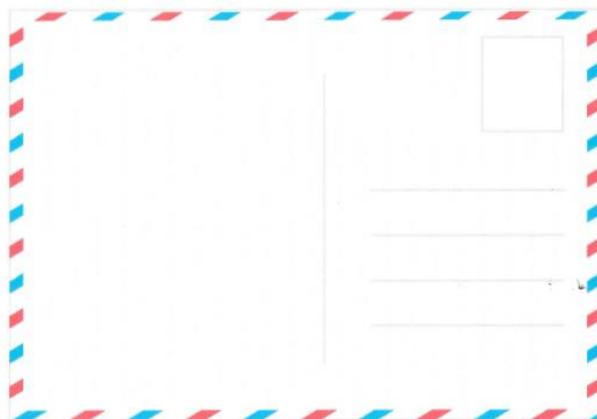
The disciples are amazed to see Jesus completely changed on the mountain top.



The disciples see Jesus change in front of their eyes.

Write

Imagine Peter writing a postcard to some of the other disciples who weren't there to tell them what happened. Write your ideas about what he might have said.



Draw!

Draw how the disciples looked when they saw Jesus transfigured. Do they all feel the same?



Puzzle

Can you work out what this mirror writing says?

Jesus was transfigured.

He was changed.