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Parish Newsletter

Weekend 3rd and 4th April 2021

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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Mass Times and Intentions week beginning 4th April 2021			
Sunday 4 th April Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	St. Teilo's and Online	9.00am	In thanksgiving for the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ (P&CS)
	St. Teilo's and Online	11.00am	Priest's Intention
Monday 5 th April Easter Monday	Online	10.00am	Canon William Morris – RIP (RCB)
Tuesday 6 th April Easter Tuesday	St. Teilo's and Online	10.00am	Canon William Morris – Anniversary
Wednesday 7 th April Easter Wednesday	Online	10.00am	George, Mary and David Allen – RIP
Thursday 8 th April Easter Thursday	St. Teilo's and Online	10.00am	Canon Isaac – RIP
Friday 9 th April Easter Friday	St. Teilo's and Online	10.00am	Canon Isaac – RIP
Saturday 10 th April Easter Saturday	Online	10.00am	In Thanksgiving (TC)
Sunday 4 th April Second Sunday of Eastertide – Divine Mercy Sunday	St. Teilo's and Online	10.00am	In Thanksgiving

Easter Greetings – Pasg Hapus – Wesolego Alleluja

Fr. Dwayne would like to wish you and all your loved ones every joy and blessing during this Easter Season.

Occasions when St. Teilo's is open for Mass

St. Teilo's will be open for Mass today at 9.00am and 11.00am. If you have not booked in advance and have not had verbal confirmation from Carole Burns – PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND.

St. Teilo's will also be open for Mass this week on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and next Sunday at 10am. The booking arrangements for all these services are outlined below.

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has confirmed that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended. So please do not feel under any pressure to attend the Church when online or phone Masses are valid alternatives.

If you wish to attend Mass

- Booking will be by telephone on a 'first come, first served' basis. Carole Burns is the contact and can be telephoned on 07747 562847 **between 11am and 1pm on Monday, April 5th for Tuesday, April 6th, Thursday, April 8th, Friday, April 9th and Sunday, April 11th**. PLEASE DO NOT RING OUTSIDE THESE HOURS.
- Please note that to enable as many parishioners as possible to attend the Masses on the days of Canon Isaac's Funeral Mass and his Burial – Thursday and Friday – bookings for these Masses will be either/or i.e. you can only attend one of these two Requiem Masses.
- You **must** book if you wish to attend Mass. We do not want to turn people away at the door, so if you have not booked in advance – PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND.
- By registering to attend Mass, you confirm the following conditions are met:
 - You currently show no symptoms for Coronavirus.
 - Should you develop symptoms prior to the service, you will NOT attend.
 - You agree to use hand-sanitiser as a condition of entry.
- It should be noted that there will be **no toilet facilities available**.
- You should arrive between 20 and 5 minutes before the start time of Mass.
- Please allow a Steward to show you to your seat.
- Please wait to be invited up to Holy Communion.
- Please refrain from talking to your friends who are not part of your household.
- No congregational singing is allowed at Mass and any responses should be made in a low tone, as singing and loud voices have been shown to spread the virus further.

Quote of the Week



“We believe that having died with Christ, we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him anymore. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.” *From the New Testament Reading at the Easter Vigil Mass – Romans 6:10-11*



Canon Isaac – Requiescat in Pace



Canon Isaac - Photo courtesy of Dave Harris

Our Parish Priest and friend to many of us, Canon William John Isaac, died a few minutes after 3pm on Palm Sunday.

In line with his wishes, Canon's body will be received into St. David's Cathedral on Easter Thursday, April 8th at 5pm, followed by the Funeral Mass celebrated by His Grace Archbishop George Stack and Canon's fellow clergy. Canon's body will remain in the presence of the Lord in the Cathedral overnight on Thursday and on Easter Friday, April 9th, it will be transferred to Belmont Abbey, where the Lord Abbot will celebrate Mass prior to Canon's burial in the monastic grounds. Canon, a good friend of the Abbey, had a long-standing special arrangement with the Abbot for him to be buried in the monks' graveyard. It is fitting that he will be buried beside Br. Bernard, who died last year, and whose smile and welcome to the Abbey was as generous as Canon's own smile and care for the sick and the dying.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions there are very strict limitations on attendance at the Masses at the Cathedral and the Abbey. Please do not attend unless you have a confirmed booking and a seat number. Representatives of the community of St. Teilo's and Our Lady of Lourdes, as well as members of Canon's former parish of Bridgend, will be represented at both venues.

Both Masses will be live-streamed for those who wish to attend online. The Mass on Thursday at 5pm will be live-streamed via the [Cathedral site](#). The Mass at Belmont will be live streamed at the [Abbey site](#).

Parishioners who wish to show their respect to Canon Isaac are invited to attend Mass at St. Teilo's on either Thursday, April 8th or Friday, April 9th at 10.00am. Booking arrangements are above.

Father John Murphy writes from the USA

It is with sadness that we have all heard of the death of Canon William Isaac and are praying that he will Rest in Peace. May the promises made to him at his Baptism now be made good by the Master.

The pandemic and quarantine have made international travel impossible for the last year. I have missed being with you all and my time at the parishes very much. The future is unclear but I do hope that I will come again in better times.

Know that you are often in my thoughts and prayers. Canon Isaac and I often chatted online and he has kept me up to-date with news, good and bad. Overall, it has been a privilege and a personal joy to spend time with you. I shall always be grateful to Canon for inviting me, often! Let us pray for him and for each other.

Easter Offerings

You will already know that Diocesan Priests do not receive a salary but are funded by a small stipend from the Parish plus Mass Offerings and donations for occasions like weddings and baptisms plus stipends for a funeral.

To support the priest, there are two occasions in the year when parishioners make a special effort to support their priest: the Easter Offering and the Christmas Offering.

We can show our appreciation to Fr. Dwayne for the way he has supported the Canon over the last few months as well as showing such care to those in the parish who have needed support recently and by providing daily Mass online for our parish community.

Donations for the Easter Offering to the Priest can be made via Virgin Money, please make clear that your donation is for the Easter Offering by putting Easter, or Offering, or Fr. Dwayne, or 'for the priest' in the space available for comment. If you are unable to use Virgin Money you can do a direct bank transfer, but will need to email whitchurch@rcadc.org to tell us that it is an Easter Offering, otherwise we will know the money has arrived, but not why. If you are able to attend the Easter Vigil Mass or one of the two masses on Easter Sunday you can place the money in the baskets at the back of the Church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Confession

Fr. Dwayne will be available for Confessions after each of the Masses which are open to the public this week, that is after Mass on Easter Sunday at 9 and 11am, Easter Tuesday, Easter Thursday, Easter Friday and next Sunday. In line with the most recent Covid-19 guidance, Confessions will take place outdoors in the garden outside the presbytery to minimise the possibility for viral transmission. If the weather is inclement, i.e. it is raining, arrangements will be made to provide Confessions that will be announced at Masses during the week.

Stewarding at Mass – More Volunteers Please

The number of times the Church can be opened in a week is dependant on stewards who volunteer for this role. For a parish of our size, we have a very small number of volunteers and would encourage others to consider volunteering if you are eligible, so that we can open the Church to the congregation more often.

If you wish to volunteer and are aged 18 to 59 inclusive without any COVID-19 co-morbidities, then please email Mel Hopkins – melfyn.hopkins@sky.com and let him know:

- Your name
- Contact details – phone and email
- Age range (18-30, 30-40, 40-50, 50-59)
- Confirmation that you do not have a raised risk of Covid-19 infection
- Whether you want to Steward or Clean or both
- Which hours and days, of those above, you are able to volunteer
- Whether you will be available: weekly; fortnightly; monthly

Rest in Peace



In your mercy, please pray for the repose of the soul of Canon Isaac, recently deceased. Arrangements for Canon's funeral Masses are above.

Please pray also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Canon Patrick Kerrisk, Canon Paul Chidgey, Canon William Morris, Canon Felix Connolly, Daniel Cahill, Catherine Higgins, Anna Doyle, Nathaniel Woodman, Albert Proctor, John Hill, Mary Murray, Francis Gallagher, Alice Pinches, Madeline Richardson, Charles Kinsey, Guiseppina (Pina) Morrish, Mabel Killmister, Charles Mitchell, Gladys Warfield, Mortimer O'Sullivan, John Connors, Josephine Clifford, Jane Lynch, Roland Roberts, Anna Jones, Emly Fackrell, Margaret Thomas, Margaret Herbert, Beatrice Kelleher, Maria Toner-Evans, Harold Norris, Rosina Fuller, Andrew Smith, David Evans, Winifred Bregeon, Dennis Cronin, Elizabeth Lewis, Edward Windmill, Associand Tinsley, Mabel Meagher and Frederick Carter.

Prayer for the Week – Peace at Last by St. John Henry Newman

This prayer was suggested by one of our parishioners as being appropriate for this week when we celebrate the Resurrection but mourn for Canon Isaac

O Lord, support us all day long,
until the shadows lengthen,
and the evening comes,
and the busy world is hushed,
and the fever of life is over,
and our work is done.
Then in your mercy,
grant us a safe lodging and a holy rest,
and peace at last.
Amen.

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 2pm 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.

The Easter Story in Plain English from the God Who Speaks Team

The God Who Speaks Team has provided an Easter story resource designed for children.



The new [Easter story resource](#) is designed for children who prefer the Bible in plain English words and pictures; with a character code to help bring the stories to life.

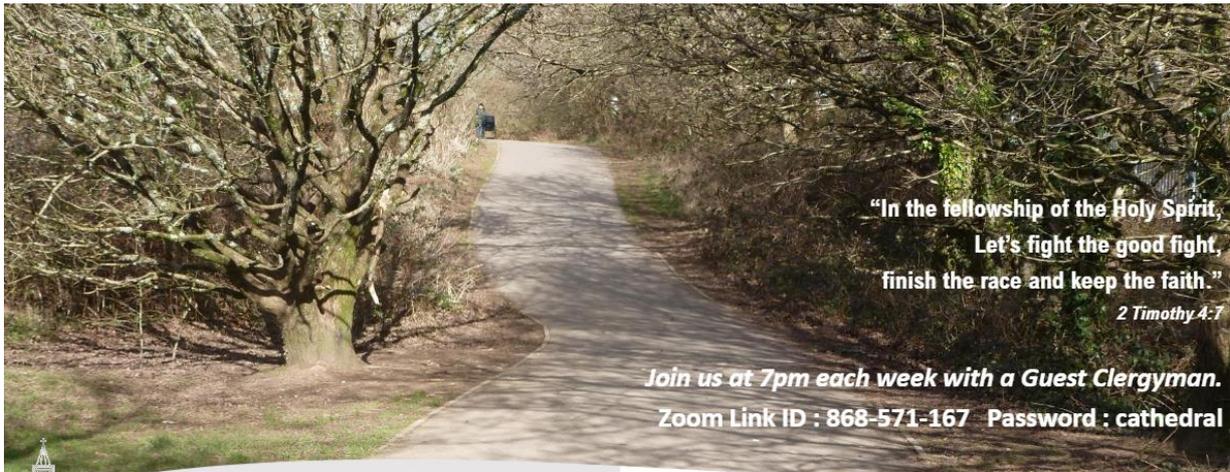


Holy Week at Christ the King School

Apologies that this item arrived in the parish office too late for the Holy Week newsletter. But even though it is a week late, it is still a lovely way of seeing how our young people are engaging with the faith.

[This video](#), from Mrs. Helen Keegan, shows the pupils at Christ the King Primary School celebrating Holy Week.

Life in the Spirit Seminars



Press On!

A Life in the Spirit Seminar by Cardiff Cathedral

Session 1 (8th April 2021)

Love of God Awaits You

Session 2 (15th April 2021)

Jesus Extends His Love that Saves

Session 3 (22nd April 2021)

New Life in Christ

Session 4 (29th April 2021)

Receiving God's Gift – Discipleship

Session 5 (6th May 2021)

Receiving the Holy Spirit

Session 6 (13th May 2021)

Keep Growth, Press On!

Session 7 (20th May 2021)

Transformation – Be His Witness

The Life in the Spirit seminar series offered by St. David's Cathedral, Cardiff begins on Zoom on Easter Thursday at 7pm.

The Church proclaims throughout the world: 'He is risen, alleluia! The Light of Christ has penetrated the darkness of the world, the darkness of our lives, and the darkness of the times we are living through. As Pope Francis reminded us last Easter Sunday: "In this night, the Church's voice rings out: "Christ, my hope, is risen!"

As we journey into this Easter season, the first one, in a way, for two years, the Life in the Spirit Seminars, hosted by the Cathedral, is offered as an instrument of spiritual renewal. Through the Life of the Spirit Seminars, we entrust ourselves to the promptings of the Holy Spirit, praying for a renewed outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in the life of our communities. The gift of the Spirit fills our whole life and changes us so that we begin to know and experience God's love and the abundant life of which Jesus spoke. The Life in the Spirit seminars run every Thursday during the Easter Season, beginning at 7pm on the Cathedral Zoom.

<https://zoom.us/j/8685711627>

Passcode: Cathedral

The first session will be led by Canon Matthew Jones, speaking on the theme of God's love.

Divine Mercy Sunday



The Sunday after Easter is celebrated as Divine Mercy Sunday. St. Pope John Paul II declared Divine Mercy Sunday as a Feast of the Universal Church in 2000, on the occasion of the Canonisation of Sister Faustina Kowalska. St. Faustina was prompted by the Lord to promote the [Chaplet of Divine Mercy](#), the [3.00pm Prayer](#) and the [Feast of Divine Mercy](#), including the [Novena](#) which leads up to it.

Over many years in Cardiff, Divine Mercy Sunday has been celebrated at St. Alban's, the Church which is now the home of the Oratory of St. Philip Neri in formation, Cardiff.

On Divine Mercy Sunday, a Sung Mass of Divine Mercy with Blessing of the Divine Mercy Image will take place at 10am at St. Alban's. At 3pm, the 3 o'clock Prayer & Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed followed by the Act of Consecration to Jesus and communal Act of Veneration of the Divine Mercy image. Individual veneration is not possible owing to Covid-19 guidance. The 3pm devotions will be followed at 4pm by Solemn Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Alban's is a large church, so even with social distancing it will not be necessary to book to attend Mass or the afternoon devotions. However, a mask must be worn in the Church. If you are not able to attend in person, you can access Mass and devotions on the [Oratory You Tube Channel](#).

New Archdiocesan Evangelisation Programme

The Diocesan Evangelisation Commission is pleased to announce its new programme:
Spread the Gospel: Developing a Missionary Parish.

The Commission has spent the year of lockdown creating the programme and then piloting, reviewing, and amending it. The Programme has been approved by His Grace, Archbishop George Stack. It is a seven-week programme, running for one and half hours via Zoom on one evening a week. The dates will be Wednesday, April 21st and 28th, May 5th, May 12th and May 19th, June 9th and June 16th. It will be delivered by members of the Evangelisation Commission.

The Programme is open to all parishioners and clergy across the Archdiocese.

The new Programme will remind participants of the Great Commission and the basic Gospel message. It will cover a rudimentary history of the early church and will consider important messages from recent papal papers, how to give witness testimonies, evangelise non-church going Catholics with practical approaches and tools for building a parish team to evangelise. The Genesis Mission will be an important follow-on activity offered to participants, providing the necessary skills for successful encounters.

For more information and to register for the Programme, please email Madeleine Walters at madeleine.walters@rcadc.org

School Governors needed – Christ the King Primary School

Christ the King Primary school has 4 places for new school governors to be appointed. It is critical that parishioners support the Catholic education sector with their time and commitment. Support and training are given to successful applicants. If any parishioners would like further information or would like to express an interest in joining the governing body, please contact the Headteacher – Mrs. Susan Miles Tel: 029 2075 4787

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/Stteiloswitholol>

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.

Archdiocesan Thanksgiving for Marriage Mass

The Archdiocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage will take place on Saturday, May 15th at 11am, during National Marriage week. The Mass is being hosted and celebrated by Fr. Michael Doyle of All Saints parish, Newport and you can join the Mass livestream via the [All Saints YouTube channel](#)

If you (or your parents or grandparents or anyone else) celebrated or are celebrating a milestone anniversary in 2020-21 (Archdiocese of Cardiff) [please email](#) your full names and the anniversary you are marking so you can be listed in the Mass booklet.

This Mass is being co-ordinated by the [Archdiocesan Family Life Commission](#) and, pandemic restrictions permitting, it is hoped that couples can be invited to represent their deaneries but this will be confirmed after Easter. All are welcome to join the Celebration online and, during the Mass, all couples will be encouraged to make the Renewal of Commitment together at home.

The Commission would like to produce a reflective presentation for the Mass and so we would encourage you send a wedding photo, ideally taken inside or outside the church in which you were married, that you are happy to be included in a promotional slideshow that will be shared during the Mass and also on Archdiocesan social media platforms (please include the name of your parish including area/town). In addition, the Archdiocesan Building Resilience Team would also be particularly interested in photos of weddings that took place in one of our heritage churches: namely St. Mary's, Stow Hill, Newport; St. Michael's, Pil, Newport; Our Lady of Peace, Newbridge & St Dyfrig's, Trefforest. [Please email](#) all photos and anniversary details by Sunday, April 18th for inclusion in the Mass booklet and/or presentation.

Mass Intentions

Please note that Mass Intentions for particular days are being booked up very quickly. The next free date is May 1st. If you do have an intention for which you want a Mass in the next few months, please think about booking it as soon as possible.

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.

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.

Online Newsletter

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

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 preparing these each week and making sure the right one is available in a timely manner. You can also access the Family Time Leaflet by clicking on [this link](#).

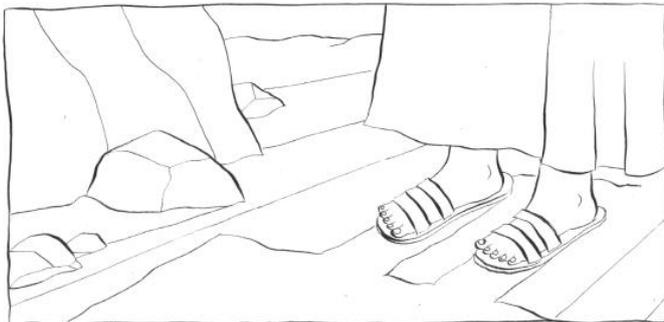
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ROOTS Activity Sheet

4-10 April 2021
Easter Day

John 20.1-18

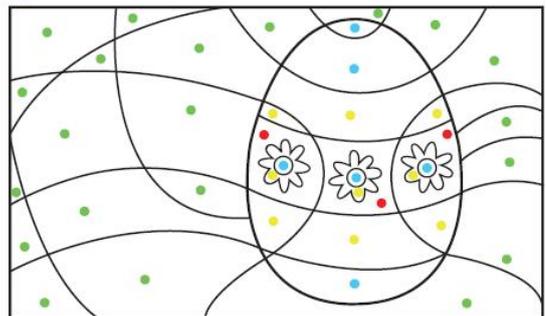
When Mary finds the tomb empty, she is very upset but doesn't go away like the other disciples. She meets Jesus and although she doesn't understand at first, the mystery is revealed to her.



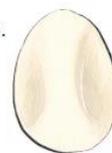
You are invited to enter into the mystery of the Easter story.



Colour in the shapes according to the coloured dots, to see what this picture reveals.



Whose egg? Can you solve the mystery of which animals these eggs belong to? Draw a line to match the egg to the animal it comes from.

1.  2.  3. 

mongoose snake owl hen goose duck



Can you write an acrostic poem about Easter? An acrostic poem is where you use the letters of the word to start each line.

E
a
s
t
e
r
