

# 3 Churches News

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## HOLY COMMUNION

These middle two weekends of the month we have First Holy Communions - at St Brigid's 10.30 Mass this Sunday, and at Christ the King 10.30 Mass this (11<sup>th</sup>) and next Sunday (18<sup>th</sup> May).

We join our children in giving thanks for this great Sacrament. They have been busy preparing since the New Year, and nowadays the programmes in both parishes are based on the same material, "God's Greatest Gift". The overall number of children is well over forty – a bumper crop, so to speak!

We can all take this annual and very special celebration as an opportunity to renew our faith in and love for the Holy Eucharist. This is, indeed, the greatest gift of Jesus, because what could be greater than the gift of yourself? At the Mass heaven touches earth, the divine infills the earthly and human, as Jesus comes to us.



Let us deepen our belief in this Real Presence, and at the same time recommit ourselves to being really present to Jesus. Prepare for Mass, perhaps by looking at the readings beforehand. Prepare your heart to receive, if necessary, by the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Remember that these children whose special days we are celebrating are absorbing from all of us our attitudes, the way we act in church, our attitude and atmosphere of faith etc. What kind of example do we set?

First Holy Communion is a beautiful celebration not only for the children and for their families and friends, who we warmly welcome. These are celebrations for our church worshipping communities, as we are reminded of the One who gives himself to us, that we may become more like him – every time we come to Mass.

*Fr Matthew*



Response to Psalm **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**  
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;**  
**I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!**



**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 2: 14. 36-41    **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** First Letter of St Peter 2: 20-25    **Gospel:** John 10: 1-10

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### Father's News

#### LIFE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

Do you need renewal in your Christian life and faith? Do you want a "refresher" or perhaps you are looking for a "starter"? Are you looking for a follow-up to Celebrate? Do you know much about the Holy Spirit? From this Sunday 11 May a series of seven weekly gatherings will take place in St Brigid's Hall at 7.30, where we will revisit the foundations of our faith and grow in the power of the Holy Spirit, and in Christian life. Fr Matthew leads the first session on God the Father. Other speakers include Deacon Rob Coyne, Fr Gareth Leyshon, Cath Lush and Vivien Snow.

#### HOLY LAND

Fr Matthew leads a large group of parishioners and others on pilgrimage to the Holy Land this Monday (very early!!). We will remember you all as we walk in the footsteps of Jesus.

#### BEING A CHURCH FOR THE POOR

You are invited to a diocesan day to celebrate the social action and social justice work undertaken across our Archdiocese, and to reflect on how we are responding to Pope Francis' call to be a "Church for the Poor". The day will be held at St David's College, this Saturday 17 May 10.30 – 15.30. If you are able to attend, please let Jim Barnaville know at 07870 879621 or email [jim.barnaville@btinternet.com](mailto:jim.barnaville@btinternet.com)

#### OUR LADY'S MONTH

May is a month of special devotion to Our Lady. The **Rosary** is prayed several times a week before weekday Mass at St Brigid's and/or St Paul's. If you wanted to do something special, you could attend the annual **Torchlight Procession at Belmont Abbey**, Hereford, this Wednesday 14 May starting at 9pm. Preacher: Dom Brendan Thomas. Refreshments available afterwards. Info: 01432 374 735. Next Sunday is the **Welsh National Pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Taper** at Cardigan. Confessions from 1.30pm. Procession at 2.30, Mass at 3pm. Blessing of the Sick 5.30pm. Info: Fr Paul Joseph 01239 612615

#### 3 CHURCHES MASS

We will be celebrating our annual 3 Churches Mass on Sunday 6 July at Corpus Christi High School. Our Mass this year will draw on the Sacrament of our Baptism, as we gather around at least one baby, Sebastian, who will actually be baptized during the celebration. Closer to the day we will be invited to get involved in this celebration. If you do not know where and when you were baptized – you have just under two months to find out!

#### Circle of Friends

The next meeting of The Circle of Friends will take place on Monday 12 May at The Three Arches Pub at 8.15pm.

Please try to come along to find out about all the events, social nights and trips that are arranged. New members always welcome.



#### 3 Churches Youth Group

Our youth group is now meeting every Sunday evening 7-9pm at Christ the King Parish Centre - all those aged 13-16 welcome - youth club type stuff on offer - ideas for activities/trips welcome. For more info contact Chris Ashman - [chrisashman1@talktalk.net](mailto:chrisashman1@talktalk.net) 07508 523199

#### Churches Together Prayer Link

On Saturday 7 June, Christ the King church is hosting the Churches Together Prayer Link from 10-11am. Please come along to share an hour of prayer, reflection & music with members of our neighbouring churches.

#### Christ the King Baby & Toddler Group meets every

Wednesday during term time  
10-11:30 in

Christ the King Parish Centre.  
£1 includes refreshments, toys,  
activities and music time!  
Newcomers are always welcome.  
Contact Helen McSherry  
07720 053999

#### 3 Churches Singing Group

A new singing group is being started for anyone aged 16-25.

We will be singing both religious material as well as modern pop songs and musical theatre songs so please come along to the first open afternoon session on SATURDAY 24 MAY from 1pm - 3pm in Christ the King Parish Centre.

This session will be a chance for you to get a better idea of what we hope to do as a group and to get ideas from you as to what you would like to do.

Any questions please contact  
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**Christian Aid Week**  
**United Service at Llanishen**  
**Baptist Church**  
**Sunday 11 May at 6pm.**

### **Archdiocesan Day of Training for Parish MC's and Senior Altar Servers**

On Saturday 5 July from 10.30am until 4pm, Mr Paul Moynihan who is Westminster Cathedral's Master of Ceremonies has been invited to Cardiff to give a day of training in Liturgy for ALL Parish MC's and Senior Altar Servers. The day will take place at The Cornerstone at St David's and also in St David's Cathedral and it will begin with an introduction by our Archbishop, G. Stack. It is hoped that a simple dinner will be provided on the day and that tea and coffee will be also available. If you intend to come either individually or as a parish group please could you notify Fr Mark Rowles the Archdiocesan Master of Ceremonies asap, so that the numbers can be passed onto those organising the venue and refreshments. Thank You!

### Luisa Ciriello's Story

So I have decided to run the Edinburgh Marathon 25 May 2014! For those of you who don't know, in 2009 my father (Mario Ciriello) lost his brave battle to colorectal cancer. During which time he was lovingly cared for by the staff of Velindre hospital. Whose compassion and support proved invaluable to my father and family. Therefore I ask you to kindly support with a donation to this wonderful organisation that has helped so many families in a similar position.  
<http://www.justgiving.com/Luisa-Ciriello1>

**Llanishen & District Churches**  
**Together Quiet Garden**  
**Spring Programme**  
**'Growing'**  
**Led by John Bisset**  
**11am Wednesday 14 May**  
**At Llanishen Methodist Church**  
**Melbourne Road, Llanishen**  
**Tea & Coffee served from**  
**10.30am**

## Christ the King

**Altar Linen**  
May: Rhona Flynn

### "50 Club" Winners

**April 2014**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Prize £30**  
**Priscilla Quinn (no. 9)**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £20**  
**Nich Pearson (no. 11)**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £10**  
**Jeremy Camilleri (no.62)**

**Mass Changes**  
**Please take note that there will be**  
**no Mass at Christ the King on**  
**Monday or Friday this week.**

### First Holy Communion

The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist will be celebrated for the first time by the children of the parish at 10.30am Mass on Sunday 11 May and Sunday 18 May. Please remember all these children as they take this special step on their faith journey.

**OPEN DOOR CLUB**  
**Next Thursday 15 May 15**  
**2 – 4 pm**  
**At Christ the King Parish Centre.**  
**A member of the local history**  
**society is coming along**  
**to talk about Llanishen's history.**  
**All welcome.**

Christian Aid Week  
11-17 May 2014

Delivering and collecting these envelopes is not a job that anyone enjoys, but as members of Llanishen & Lisvane Council of Churches, we are part of the Christian Aid Appeal and our allocation is 42 streets which for a parish our size should not be a problem. We are further hampered this year as at least 4/5 of our regular collectors are on the pilgrimage, so PLEASE can you make an effort to take a bundle (or two) and let us cover as many streets as possible. Many thanks on behalf of Christian Aid. If you have any questions, please ring Ann on 2075 2900.

### **CHARITY BAKE A CAKE DAY** **Tuesday 13 May 2014**

To celebrate the 30th anniversary of George Thomas Hospice Care, we are asking amateur bakers from across South Wales to bake cakes and sell them to raise money for the charity.

It is hoped that hundreds of people will bake cakes and take them into work, school, etc and sell them to friends, family and colleagues to raise money for GTHC. Further details can be found on the poster in the porch.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### **MISSION APPEAL**

Next weekend Fr Jack Thora from the Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers) will be making an appeal at St Brigid's and St Paul's. Please support the appeal with your usual generosity. Each year one missionary religious congregation is permitted to make such visits to parishes.

**Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

6pm	St Paul's	<b>Len Perry</b>	
6.30pm	C the K	<b>Pat Worthington (J Hall)</b>	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	<b>Agnes Lush (C Lush)</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
9am	St Paul's	<b>Vincent Regan</b>	
10.30am	St Brigid's	<b>Caryl Harrison</b>	
10.30am	C the K	<b>Celebration of First Communion</b>	
6pm	St Brigid's	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	<b>Sunday Praise</b>	
Mon. 9.30am	St Brigid's	<b>Nora &amp; Jamie</b>	
Tues. 9.30am	C the K	<b>Elizabeth Hawkes (P Hawkes)</b>	Our Lady of Fatima
Wed. 9.30am	St Paul's	<b>Pat Worthington</b>	
7.30pm	C the K	<b>Private Intention</b>	
Thurs. 9.30am	C the K	<b>Intentions of Justin Chau &amp; Maria Wang (M Wang)</b>	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	<b>Mary O'Brien (York)</b>	
Fri. 9.30am	St Paul's	<b>David Wharry (Daley)</b>	
Sat. 9.30am	St Brigid's	<b>Leszek Slowikowski (Daley)</b>	

**Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

6pm	St Paul's	<b>Len Perry</b>	
6.30pm	C the K	<b>Intention of Mary Murphy 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b>	
Sun. 8.30am	C the K	<b>Pat Worthington (D &amp; M Bryon)</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
9am	St Paul's	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
10.30am	St Brigid's	<b>Pat Worthington (Coslett)</b>	
10.30am	C the K	<b>Celebration of First Communion</b>	
6pm	St Brigid's	<b>Dec'd Carey Family</b>	
7.30pm	St Brigid's	<b>Sunday Praise</b>	



**Please send items to [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) by Wednesday afternoon at the latest!**

**PRAYERS**

*Please remember the following in your prayers, who are unwell at this time:*

Keith Allen, Mary Amugan, Maureen Carroll, Sian Clark, Mary Clarke, Win Collins, Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Jennifer Ellis, Emily, Anna Forrest, Rod Forrest, Jane Goldsworthy, Maria Hill, Tony Hutchings, Caitriona Lovell, Joseph (Benny) Lynch, Dean Maguire, Dolores Meehan, Vernon Morgan, Niamh Murphy, Maureen O'Driscoll, Kieran Ollin, Alan Paines, Rona Perry, Sue Power, Cath Rees, Claire Richards, Pat Roberts, Peter Scott, Dewi Thomas, Emma Warlow & Dorothy Warren.

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**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Christ the King**  
*Tuesday 10am-1pm*  
**St. Paul's**  
*Wednesday 10am-3pm*  
**St. Brigid's**  
*Thursday 8-9pm*

**Sacrament of**

**Reconciliation**

**St Brigid's**  
*Saturday 10-10.30*  
**St Paul's**  
*Saturday 5.30pm.*  
**Christ the King**  
*Saturday 5.45-6.15pm*

**Last Week's Collection**

**Sts. Brigid & Paul**  
**Gift Aid** £ 518.90  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 432.94  
**Total** £ 951.84  
**S/O month av.** £ 807.50

**Christ the King**  
**Gift Aid** £ 463.22  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 363.60  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 382.20  
**Total** £ 1209.02