

# 3 Churches News

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Fr Matthew, Fr Gareth, Fr Ambrose and Fr Ray wish all parishioners and friends  
a joyful and peaceful Christmas and blessed New Year



~~~~ Christmas Day (Sunday 25 December 2016) ~~~~



Response to Psalm Today a Saviour has been born to us; he is Christ the Lord.  
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! I bring you news of great joy:  
Today a saviour has been born to us, Christ the Lord. Alleluia!

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 9: 1-7 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Titus 2: 11-14 Gospel: Luke 2: 1-14



~~~~ Mary, Mother of God (Sunday 1 January 2017) ~~~~



Response to Psalm O God, be gracious and bless us.  
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! At various times in the past and in various ways, God spoke to our ancestors through  
the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son. Alleluia!

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Numbers 6: 22-27 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Galatians 4: 4-7 Gospel: Luke 2: 16-21

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## 3 Churches

### Father's News

#### NEWSLETTER

Please note that this newsletter covers two weeks.

#### THANKS

Many thanks to all who have worked so hard to prepare for Christmas in our 3 Churches. Thanks also to those who have expressed Christmas greetings to Fr Matthew. We especially thank, too, Fathers Gareth, Ambrose and Ray for celebrating Christmas Masses, and Fr Gareth particularly for his year round assistance.

#### Bank Holiday Masses

Please note that weekday Mass on Boxing Day and 2 January at St Brigid's will be at 10am.

#### Wine, Whinge and Welcome

Have you been away from Mass for a while for one reason or another? If you'd like to re-connect to the Church community but are not sure how, you might like to come along to our "Wine, Whinge and Welcome" evening at St Brigid's Hall on Tuesday 3 January at 7.30pm. There'll be a free glass of wine and an open invitation to speak about whatever joys - or sorrows - you have experienced through the Church.

**Diaries and Calendars are much appreciated by the prisoners who attend weekly mass in Cardiff prison. There is a collection box in each church for donations of 2017 diaries and calendars. For further information contact Elizabeth Taylor 2075 1401**

#### RIP

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Gillian Hunt, whose Funeral Service is at St Paul's this Wednesday at 10.45am, and Evelyn Lloyd, whose Requiem will be at Christ the King on Friday 6 January at 1.15pm. We remember their friends and families in our prayers. Eternal rest grant to them, Lord

#### UCM News

Members of the UCM wish to thank everyone who supported their recent Christmas raffle which raised the wonderful amount of £293. Throughout 2016, with the help of our many friends and supporters, we have raised the magnificent sum of £1433.80. This money will be given to the Marie Curie Holme Tower Hospice in memory of our dear friend Mary McMahon who sadly died there last year.

#### CWL

The Catholic Women's League monthly charity coffee morning will take place at St Paul's on Friday 6 January after the 9.30 Mass. Proceeds will be for the George Thomas Hospice Care.

**Mass on Tuesday 3 January at 9.30am at Christ the King will be offered for the deceased members of the 3 Churches, particularly those who died in October.**

#### First Holy Communion

If any children in the 3 Churches, wish to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion in May 2017 please send an email with your child's name and Parish to [ThreeChurchesCommunion@hotmail.com](mailto:ThreeChurchesCommunion@hotmail.com) Classes will start in January and continue until May.

#### Hospital Chaplaincy Changes

There have been some changes at the University Hospital of Wales in the provision of chaplaincy care to Catholics. Two Catholic Chaplaincy Volunteers, Simone Strinati and Benny Augustian, have been appointed to work with Bro Brian Butler. If you know of a Catholic patient who would like sacramental support or maybe just a visit, contact the UHW Chaplaincy Department on 2074 3230.

**A two-week Baptismal Course will take place on Tuesdays 10 & 17 January 2017 at 7pm St Brigid's Presbytery, Crystal Glen, Cardiff CF14 5QN. For info contact Ann Martin (2075 6300 [stevemartincardiff@gmail.com](mailto:stevemartincardiff@gmail.com))**

#### Christ the King Primary School - Reception Class 2017 Applicants

Applications now available for children due to start Reception Class in September 2017. Contact the school (2075 4787) or download an application from website [www.schoolswire.org](http://www.schoolswire.org) use our postcode CF14 5AS to gain entry. Applications must be received by 9 January 2017.



**Please remember the deceased members of the 3 churches whose anniversaries occur in January including:** Alun Dukes, Theresa Thomas, Michael Mitchell, Martin Rafter, Luis Urriaga, Angela Jackson, Kath Foils, Kate Haines, Terry O'Neill, Mary Neary, Ken Welsher, Mollie Peterson, Walter Connies-Laing, Genie Beach, Winifred Powell, Kathleen Hannay, Juliette Gabriel, Maureen Thomas, Megan Bowgen, Cath Rees, Maureen Hill, Theresa Coffey and Rose-Anne Jones.

**SPUC**  
The annual White Flower Appeal will take place on the weekend of 7/8 January.

**Sandwich Making**  
Sandwich making for the homeless will take place in the Parish Centre on Monday 2 January at 1.15pm.



**Eucharistic Adoration**  
There will be no Adoration in St Paul's on Wednesday 28 December, and 4 & 11 January. Adoration will resume Wednesday 18 January 2017. Adoration will continue on Thursday evenings 8/9pm at St Brigid's. We wish you all a very Happy & Holy Christmas and New Year.

**St Paul's Review**  
St Paul's Church are conducting a review of those parishioners who are either Eucharistic Ministers or Readers and attend St Paul's mass on a Sunday at 9am, or parishioners who would be prepared to be appointed as Ministers, as numbers are diminishing for various reasons. At the back of the church are green forms to be completed if parishioners wish to remain or be considered for the ministries.

## Christ the King

**Please note that the CTK Parish Office will not be open after Christmas until Wednesday 4 January 2017. If you have any urgent messages please contact St Brigid's presbytery.**

### Christ the King Eucharistic Adoration

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on: Tuesday 27 December and Tuesdays 3 & 10 January. We will resume on Tuesday 17 January 2017.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

**First Communion Catechist**  
Would you like to help our young parishioners grow in their faith and prepare for their First Reconciliation and Communion? We need some catechists from the St Paul's/St Brigid's area to join our team. Please contact Fr Matthew ASAP if you are interested.

**This newsletter was edited by Luke Todd (2016)**



**Sunday December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day**



|        |                    |   |                  |
|--------|--------------------|---|------------------|
| Sat .  | 6pm St Paul's      | <b>People of the Parish</b>                       | Christmas Eve    |
|        | 6pm St Brigid's    | <b>Len Perry</b>                                  |                  |
|        | 6pm C the K        | <b>Christmas Eve Vigil Children of the Parish</b> |                  |
|        | 10pm St Brigid's   | <b>People of the Parish</b>                       |                  |
|        | 10pm C the K       | <b>People of the Parish</b>                       |                  |
| Sun.   | 9am St Paul's      | <b>Grace Lemass (Harrington)</b>                  | Christmas Day    |
|        | 9am C the K        | <b>Sister Kathleen Brown (B Brown)</b>            |                  |
|        | 11am St Brigid's   | <b>Thomas Anthony Sherry</b>                      |                  |
| Mon.   | 10am St Brigid's   | <b>Ints Lilian &amp; David Jenkins</b>            | St Stephen       |
| Tues.  | 9.30am C the K     | <b>Sister Mary Francis (M &amp; T Pinnell)</b>    | St John          |
| Wed.   | 9.30am St Paul's   | <b>Teresa Black</b>                               | Holy Innocents   |
|        | 10.45am St Paul's  | <b>Funeral Service: Gillian Hunt</b>              |                  |
| Thurs. | 9.30am C the K     | <b>Nancy Hansen (B Brown)</b>                     | St Thomas Becket |
|        | 7.30pm St Brigid's | <b>Special Int</b>                                |                  |
| Fri.   | 9.30am St Paul's   | <b>John Foley (McManus)</b>                       | Holy Family      |
| Sat.   | 9.30am St Brigid's | <b>Holy Father's 2017 Intentions</b>              | Within Octave    |

**Sunday January 1<sup>st</sup> Mary Mother of God**

|        |        |             |   |                               |
|--------|--------|-------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Sat.   | 6pm    | C the K     | <b>Special Intention (M Crowley)</b>      |                               |
| Sun.   | 9am    | St Paul's   | <b>Brigid Manahan</b>                     | Mary Mother of God            |
|        | 9am    | C the K     | <b>Agnes Lush (C Lush)</b>                |                               |
|        | 11am   | St Brigid's | <b>Ints Bishop Tom Burns</b>              |                               |
|        | 6pm    | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parishes</b>             |                               |
| Mon.   | 10am   | St Brigid's | <b>Int Sharkey Family</b>                 | Sts Basil & Gregory Nazianzen |
| Tues.  | 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Deceased members of the 3 Churches</b> | Holy Name of Jesus            |
| Wed.   | 9.30am | St Paul's   | <b>Gillian Hunt</b>                       |                               |
| Thurs. | 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Private Intention (F)</b>              |                               |
|        | 7.30pm | St Brigid's | <b>Len Perry</b>                          |                               |
| Fri.   | 9.30am | St Paul's   | <b>Alicia Long</b>                        |                               |
|        | 1.15pm | C the K     | <b>Requiem: Evelyn Lloyd</b>              |                               |
| Sat.   | 9.30am | St Brigid's | <b>Doreen &amp; Ron James</b>             | St Raymond of Penyafort       |

**Sunday January 8<sup>th</sup> Epiphany**

|      |      |             |   |          |
|------|------|-------------|---|----------|
|      | 6pm  | C the K     | <b>Charles &amp; Hannah Brice (M Al-Haddad)</b> |          |
| Sun. | 9am  | St Paul's   | <b>John Nelson</b>                              | Epiphany |
|      | 9am  | C the K     | <b>Luis Urtiaga</b>                             |          |
|      | 11am | St Brigid's | <b>John &amp; Mary Kingston</b>                 |          |
|      | 6pm  | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parishes</b>                   |          |

Praying for our Neighbours  
 Please remember in your prayers this week our neighbours in  
**Cyncoed Road / Woodland Crescent**  
**Oakridge**  
**Fidlas Road**  
 who have received prayer cards in the last few days.



**Please send items to [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) by the afternoon of 4 January at the latest!**

**PRAYERS**

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

Mary Amugan, Chris Babu, John Campbell, Maureen Carroll, Sian Clark,  
 Mary Clarke, Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Emily, Anna Forrest, Bobi Gower, Maria Hill,  
 Caitriona Lovell, Joseph (Benny) Lynch, Charles McDevitt,  
 Katrina Meades, Fr Modest, Vernon Morgan, Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, Maureen O'Driscoll,  
 Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, Rita Purcell, Valentino Rascon, John Reardon,  
 Claire Richards, Adela Rogers, Tessie Stamp, Shaun Stone, Dewi Thomas,  
 Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.

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**Eucharistic Adoration**  
 Adoration continues on Thursdays 8/9pm at St Brigid's. Eucharistic Adoration across the 3 Churches recommences W/C 16 January 2017

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
**St Brigid's**  
 Saturday 10-10.30  
**St Paul's**  
 Friday before/after 9.30am Mass  
**Christ the King**  
 Saturday 5.30pm

**Last Week's Collection**  
**Sts. Brigid & Paul**  
**Gift Aid** £ 603.43  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 566.08  
**Total** £ 1169.51  
**S/O month av.** £ 846.77  
  
**Christ the King**  
**Gift Aid** £ 343.70  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 341.05  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 330.54  
**Total** £ 1015.29