

3 Churches News

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THE CANDLE OF PEACE

Our **Peace Candle** has started its now annual way around our 3 Churches homes. Please sign the list in your church if you wish to be part of its journey. Here is a message from Fr Rob Esdaile to help our thoughts...

God is love - the fundamental Gospel message. Jesus refused to hate his enemies, to retaliate or to seek their destruction. For 300 years nearly all Christians took these two truths for granted, until Constantine lifted the Church out of persecution and set it on the road to power. And then the cross gradually took on the shape of a weapon in many people's eyes.

Today the Church is no longer needed by secular power as a prop. That frees us to articulate a different vision; no longer as guardians of a 'Just War' but as prophets of a 'Just Peace'. That requires, firstly, our own conversion of heart. Next it means reaching beyond the rhetoric of conflict to try to hear the real hopes and fears of our opponents and to identify what we have in common. Then initiatives to promote dialogue must follow, with measures which can 'de-escalate' tensions and resolve disputes, learning both from recent conflict resolution processes and from our own Christian tradition of peacemaking. And through all of this must run an effort to articulate a vision of the sort of people we want to be and the sort of world we wish to create: how can we make it easier to live together in harmony?

The vision is a radical one, a new style of politics, as Pope Francis has said. The transformation won't be easy, but it's the only path which offers hope to our divided world. There are many others who are already committed to this new way, in organisations such as the international Catholic Peace Movement, *Pax Christi*, groups which have already developed training and techniques for those who dare to believe that another way is possible. But our greatest resource is the message and example of Jesus, calling us to love our enemies and to walk the way of peace together. In that sign we have our victory.

Fr Matthew

~~~~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday 22 January 2017) ~~~~



Response to Psalm **The Lord is my light and my help.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom, and cured all kinds of sickness among the people. Alleluia**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Isaiah 8: 23—9:3 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10: 13, 17 **Gospel:** Matthew 4: 12-23

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## 3 Churches

### Father's News

#### RIP

**Margaret Williams** Funeral Service St Paul's Monday 23 January 2pm. We remember her family and friends in our prayers. Eternal rest grant to them, Lord.

#### Souvenir Booklet

The archdiocese has produced a souvenir booklet to commemorate its recent centenary. We have a few copies for sale in each church at £5 each. Please contact Fr Matthew or Deacon Daniel if you would like a copy.

#### Volunteers wanted for taking food to the Food Bank

New rotas will start in March. One rota is for collecting the combined food left at Christ the King and St Brigid's and the other is for that left at St Paul's. The food is then taken to the Cardiff Food Bank in Splott. Normally volunteers would do this only once every 6 to 8 weeks. The Food Bank is open most weekdays and volunteers can normally find a convenient time to take the food there. If anyone would like to help, please contact Terry Jermyn on 07939 263403 or [terryjermyn@gmail.com](mailto:terryjermyn@gmail.com).

#### 3 Churches Youth

Chinese New Year with Ping Pong, Chopstix, Chow Mein and Christian Unity all inclusive! Anyone in years 7, 8 & 9 can come and find out more at Christ the King Parish Centre 6.30 - 8pm Sunday.

#### Taste of Celebrate evening

Sunday 12 February 7.30pm, Christ the King Hall

A FREE event, ALL welcome. Experience a taster of the Celebrate conference (Catholic charismatic event for all the family which takes place in April) Enjoy music, a guest speaker, coffee, cake and chat.

Email [clare.reay@hotmail.com](mailto:clare.reay@hotmail.com) for more info.

Members of 3 Churches Youth are encouraged to come along with their families, please note later start time.

#### Archdiocese of Cardiff St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School.

Bryn Heulog, Pentwyn, Cardiff.  
CF23 7JB

#### DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Required for September 2017

Salary Scale: L8 – 12

The Governing Body of St. Bernadette's Catholic Primary School is seeking to appoint a practising Catholic with the experience, skills and motivation to undertake the leadership role of Deputy Headteacher in this well established and successful school. Please contact the school office for further information on 2073 3443 or by email at:

[stbernadettesprm@cardiff.gov.uk](mailto:stbernadettesprm@cardiff.gov.uk)

**Closing Date for applications:**

**Noon 3 February 2017**

#### First Holy Communion

If any children in the 3 churches, Christ the King, St Brigid's or St Paul's, wish to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion next 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.

#### SPUC White Flower Appeal

Many thanks to all who gave generously to this appeal £820 was raised from the 3 Churches

#### CWL

The next C.W.L. Meeting will take place on Monday, 23 January at 2pm at BRIDGET'S HOME, 26 Llanedeyrn Road, as there is a funeral at St. Paul's at that time. Please ladies bring your subs (£22) to this meeting, as the money has to be in by the end of January.



#### Llanishen & District Churches

Together: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

18—25 January 2017

#### The United Service

**Sunday 22 January 6pm**

At Llanishen Methodist Church, Melbourne Road (off Fidas Road)

Preacher: **Rev'd Dr Jordan**

**Hillebert** of St Padarn's Institute (for Church in Wales lay & clergy training)

## Other events

### LET'S GET REAL ABOUT MENTAL ILLNESS

WEDNESDAY 8 FEBRUARY

7.30pm – 9.15pm St Mark's Church, Gabalfa, Cardiff CF14 3BL Speaker:

Veryan Richards

This mental health seminar with interviews, is an opportunity to explore a subject relevant to everyone. The seminar will look at some of the challenges and opportunities of: Living with a chronic illness Engaging with your own mental health and personal experience Facing the facts about the current mental health landscape What does a mental illness care pathway look like? Engaging the Christian community Do not over spiritualise mental illness Where does Christian counselling and seeing a Christian Psychiatrist fit in? Standing in the gap and supporting someone who has a mental illness on their recovery journey The biblical narrative framework Veryan Richards speaks from a lay perspective, drawing on her own experience of living with a chronic mental illness. She is currently a member of: Royal College of Psychiatrists Service Users Forum in London; RCPsych in Wales Executive Committee; Individual Partner in the Collaborating Centre for Values-based practice in Health and Social Care, St Catherine's College, Oxford; Welsh Spirituality and Mental Health Special Interest Group

## Christ the King

### Christ the King 50 Club

The time has come to review the Charity that is supported by the 50 Club.

The successful charity will be responsible for administering the monthly Draws, and in return will benefit from the club profits Applications are invited from parishioners on behalf of their proposed Charities. Submissions will be discussed at the February 2017 PAC meeting, and the period for which the successful charity will benefit will be two years commencing 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017. Previously chosen charities may reapply

### Progress at Christ the King

The heating works are now complete and I hope everyone is feeling the benefit

The next jobs to be done in the Church are:

- \* Upgrade Toilets
- \* Redecorate the Sacristy area
- \* Renew Electrical Installation including lighting (this will involve removing and replacing the suspended ceiling).

We will be obtaining Tenders for the electrics and lighting in the near future, but it is likely that the cost of this work will exceed our current bank assets. Fund raising options will be necessary

The final phase of the refurbishments, which is the upgrade of the sanctuary area, has been put on hold until further funding is available.

### 50 Club

It's a new year and if you still want to be part of the 'club' it would be VERY helpful if you could pay your £12 by the end of February (best of all by Standing Order). New members are more than welcome: more members, bigger prizes! Contact Tess Evans 2075 5528 or Parish Office 2075 3945.

*Heulwen Egerton has now retired as Parish Safeguarding Representative. A big thank you to Jim Winterbottom who has agreed to take it on, and also to all those in parish ministries and other activities, especially the Co-ordinators, who have worked with me over the years to keep our parish a safe place for our children, young people and adults who may be vulnerable*

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### Church Cleaning

Due to advanced age and incapacity (average age 70s/80s) help is now needed from younger parishioners to clean the middle section and porch of St Brigid's. It is a privilege to clean God's House. Contact 2075 6137.

**Sunday January 22<sup>nd</sup> Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|               |             |                                                   |                               |
|---------------|-------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 6pm           | C the K     | <b>Jo &amp; Rob Lannon Thanksgiving (T Evans)</b> |                               |
| Sun. 9am      | St Paul's   | <b>Brian Evans</b>                                | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 9am           | C the K     | <b>Deceased members of Tina's Family</b>          |                               |
| 11am          | St Brigid's | <b>Int. Luan Pratali</b>                          |                               |
| 6pm           | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parishes</b>                     |                               |
| Mon. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Peter Wilson</b>                               |                               |
| 2pm           | St Paul's   | <b>Funeral Service: Margaret Williams</b>         |                               |
| Tues. 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Pat Worthington (T Evans)</b>                  | St Francis de Sales           |
| Wed. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>Caryl Harrison</b>                             | Conversion of St Paul         |
| Thurs. 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Sister Teresita (L Barry)</b>                  | Sts Timothy & Titus           |
| 7.30pm        | St Brigid's | <b>Len Perry</b>                                  |                               |
| Fri. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>Julia Daley</b>                                | St Angela Merici              |
| Sat. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Teresa Stamp (Paula)</b>                       | St Thomas Aquinas             |

**Sunday January 29<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|          |             |                                           |                                |
|----------|-------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Sat. 6pm | C the K     | <b>Peter O'Brien (A &amp; C McDevitt)</b> |                                |
| Sun. 9am | St Paul's   | <b>Andrew Morris (Slowikowska)</b>        | Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| 9am      | C the K     | <b>John Foley (A Rees)</b>                |                                |
| 11am     | St Brigid's | <b>Teresa Stamp (Daley)</b>               |                                |
| 6pm      | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>               |                                |

Praying for our Neighbours  
 Please remember in your prayers  
 this week our neighbours in  
**Carisbrooke Way**  
**Oakridge**  
**Three Arches Avenue**  
 who have received prayer cards in  
 the last few days.

**3 Churches  
Parish Council Chairs**

**Sts Brigid & Paul**

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**Christ the King**

Primary School  
Mrs R Woodward  
2075 4787

**Corpus Christi  
High School**

Acting Headteacher  
Mrs A Thomas  
2076 1893

**St David's College**

Principal  
Mark Leighfield  
2049 8555

**Safeguarding**

**Representatives**

**Sts Brigid & Paul**  
Pat Williams (St B)  
2061 7374  
Carl French (St P)  
2075 4418

**Christ the King**

Jim Winterbottom  
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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**

Friday before/after

9.30am Mass

**Christ the King**

Saturday 5.30pm

**Last Week's Collection**

**Sts. Brigid & Paul**

**Gift Aid** £ 679.50

**Non Gift Aid** £ 527.77

**Total** £ 1207.27

**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**

**Gift Aid** £ 410.21

**Non Gift Aid** £ 365.65

**S/O weekly av.** £ 320.04

**Total** £ 1059.90

**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:*

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, Lucia Pratali, Rita Purcell, Valentino Rascon, John Reardon,  
 Claire Richards, Adela Rogers, Tessie Stamp, Shaun Stone, Dewi Thomas,  
 Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.