

3 Churches News

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Sunday April 9th 2017

Palm Sunday

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JERUSALEM OF THE HEART

We come now, with Palm Sunday, to the beginning of Holy Week. I recently read of a very interesting approach to Holy Week. I like the idea that what was happening 'out there' and 'back then' as Christ entered Jerusalem, is also happening 'in here' and right now'. We can say that there is a "Jerusalem of the heart". This inner life also has its temple and its palaces, its places of corruption, its gardens of rest, its seat of judgment.

Here Malcolm Guite invites us to walk with Christ. And let *him* walk with *you* on both an outer and an inner journey that leads to the cross and beyond. Read and reflect ...

Now to the gate of my Jerusalem,
The seething holy city of my heart,
The saviour comes. But will I welcome him?
Oh crowds of easy feelings make a start;
They raise their hands, get caught up in the singing,
And think the battle won. Too soon they'll find
The challenge, the reversal he is bringing
Changes their tune. I know what lies behind
The surface flourish that so quickly fades;
Self-interest, and fearful guardedness,
The hardness of the heart, its barricades,
And at the core, the dreadful emptiness
Of a perverted temple. Jesus come
Break my resistance and make me your home.



From Sounding the Seasons, by Malcolm Guite, Canterbury Press 2012

Please make every effort to take part in our Holy Week services, especially the Sacred Triduum, of Maundy Thursday evening, Good Friday afternoon and Holy Saturday night.

Fr Matthew



~~~~ Palm Sunday (Sunday 9 April 2017) ~~~~

Response to Psalm *My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*



Gospel Acclamation: **Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory: Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Isaiah 50: 4-7 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Philippians 2: 6-11 **Gospel:** Matthew 26: 14—27:66

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### Father's News

#### FR TOMY

We welcome back Fr Tomy who is on holiday staying at the Presbytery for a few weeks

#### WALKING WITH JESUS

People of our 3 Churches share thoughts, prayers and reflections. Visit

[3churchescardiff.wordpress.com](http://3churchescardiff.wordpress.com)

Can you share something too? Send to Fr Matthew or Deacon Daniel (*email addresses on front page*) No more than 300 words please

#### HOLY WEEK

**Chrism Mass** Wednesday 12 April  
St David's Cathedral 11.30am

**Mass of the Lord's Supper** Maundy Thursday 13 April 8pm at St Brigid's. Mass is followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose until midnight.

**Commemoration of the Passion**  
Good Friday 14 April 3pm at St Paul's and Christ the King. Please note that there will be *Children's Liturgy* at both of these Services.

#### **Easter Vigil and First Mass of**

**Easter** Saturday 15 April  
8.30pm at Christ the King. The climax of Holy Week and Lent as a whole.  
Note no 6pm Mass.

**Easter Sunday** 16 April Normal Mass times.

#### **Confirmation Catechists wanted!**

We are in need of volunteers for this year, if you would like to get involved please contact Charlotte Mathews on 07800 647515 or [charlotte.mathews@hotmail.com](mailto:charlotte.mathews@hotmail.com)

#### **Foodbank summary for end of March 2017**

We collected 212kgs for the Foodbank in March. In total since we started we have collected 2534kgs. Thanks to all who have contributed and please keep your contributions coming. Latest feedback from the Foodbank is that they are short of Tinned Rice Puddings, Tinned Sponge Puddings, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Fruit, Long Life Fruit Juice. Other items are always welcome but they are short of these for the time being.

#### Circle of Friends Monthly Meeting

The Circle of Friends' next monthly meeting will be on Monday 10 April in the Three Arches Pub at 7.30pm

#### **Easter Vigil - Saturday 15 April 8.30pm at Christ the King**

Please note: Parking around Christ the King church will be very limited. If you can please park in the Wolf's Castle car park or in the surrounding streets and leave the parking around the church buildings for those with mobility problems.

#### **Huggard Centre for the Homeless (formerly CASH)**

A big thank you to those who attended the Afternoon Tea and Fashion Show on Thursday 16 March. A total of £1620.00 was raised and has been passed on to the Centre to help with their work with the homeless. The generosity of those who came, bought tickets etc was amazing so thank you all once again. A big thank you also to Samantha B from Ewenny who did the Fashion Show but also gave us a generous percentage of what was sold subsequently. Thanks again for your support.

#### **Bike locks needed**

Space4U, which is a registered charity helping asylum seekers and refugees. Many, many thanks to those of you who have provided bikes already for the charity and to date 6 people have been provided with bikes and the charity is very grateful for your help. I hope to contact the remaining people who have offered over the coming weeks. Do you have usable bike locks at home surplus to your requirements? If you can help with this need please contact Celia Bailey on 2075 2413

#### Life, the Universe and Catholicism: The Word of God and the origins of humanity led by Fr Gareth Leyshon

Fr Gareth is an extremely engaging speaker and is an expert on the relationship between science and faith. Not only is Fr Gareth a fully-qualified theologian he is also a Doctor of Astro-Physics! For the non-science types, don't worry, Fr Gareth is great at explaining quite complex scientific ideas in terms us ordinary folk can understand. This day will be inspiring and will help to answer all sorts of questions you might have about God, Science, the World and Faith. We will meet on Saturday 22 April 10am - 3pm in St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea SA1 3NG. Tea, coffee and biscuits are provided but please bring your own packed lunch. For more information visit -

<http://www.catholic-bible-school.org/south-wales-events/apr17> or email [catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com](mailto:catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com)

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### 'Celebrate'

Celebrate Wales will take place at St David's College 29 - 30 April. There are some very special talks and inspiring worship lined up. Families are especially welcome as there are children's streams for all ages. You can book your tickets at [wales@celebrateconference.org](mailto:wales@celebrateconference.org)

### **Good Neighbours in North Cardiff Volunteers urgently needed**

To offer help with  
Transport or shopping  
You choose  
What you want to do, when,  
and how often  
You are always in  
charge of your own time  
Please telephone us on  
20750751 or email  
[admin@goodneighboursinnorthcardiff.co.uk](mailto:admin@goodneighboursinnorthcardiff.co.uk)

### **Discernment weekend for men aged over 30**

The Beda College in Rome together with St Beuno's Spirituality Centre in north Wales are running a discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 from Friday 15 - Sunday 17 September 2017. The primary focus of the weekend is the possibility of priestly vocation in later life so it is limited to men between the ages of 30 and 55. However, it is also suitable for men not specifically considering priesthood as it is not presumed that any major choice or commitment will be made during the weekend. Please promote this weekend to anyone you think might be interested. Further information and booking at:  
<http://www.pathwaystogod.org/course-events-retreats>

### "Risen" (Film)

Follow the epic story of the Resurrection through the eyes of a non-believer. This screening will be held at the Cornerstone, Charles Street on Friday 21 April at 2.30 & 7pm. No charge; snacks provided.

### **Centenary Celebration of the Apparitions at Fatima**

Torchlight procession in honour of Our Lady at Belmont Abbey, Hereford on Wednesday 10 May at 9pm.

### **Prayer for Peace**

Tintern Abbey on Saturday 13 May at 12 noon. Free entry to the Abbey for the service. Organised by the Friends of Our Lady of Tintern. Please bring a folding chair.

## Other events

### **Concert 3**

Monday 10 April 1pm at All Saints Church, Victoria Square, Penarth  
Ruthie Thomas (singer) and Lucas Dwyer (piano)  
Bring your own lunch - teas and coffees available. Friendly and informal! Donations welcome to the Organ Restoration Fund

### Cardiff Arms Park Male Choir

Wednesday 24 May 7.30pm  
All Saint's Church, Cyncoed Road, Cardiff  
An evening of musical entertainment. Programme to include - Traditional Welsh hymns and songs, songs from the shows and novelty numbers.  
Tickets £5; all profits to The Forget Me Not Chorus (supporting people with dementia and their families through song) and Autism Puzzles. Donations welcomed.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

There will be no Adoration in St Brigid's & St Paul's during Holy Week. Remember there will be Watching at the Altar of Repose at St Brigid's on Maundy Thursday following the 8pm Mass of the Lord's Supper until midnight.

### **Easter Flowers**

Collection in St Paul's after 9am Mass today. Thank you

## Christ the King

### **Funeral**

The funeral service for Sian Clark will take place at Christ the King on Thursday morning at 10.30am

### **Eucharistic Adoration - Christ the King**

There will be Adoration as usual during Holy Week on Tuesday 11 April 10am - 1pm.  
There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday 18 April.

### **Christ the King Toddler Group**

The Toddler group is having a break for the Easter holidays but will re-open on Monday 24 April 9.30am - 11.15am. £1 includes tea/coffee and squash, please bring a piece of fruit to share at snack time. All are welcome.

**Christ the King Flower Group would be grateful for donations towards flowers for Easter. We will be holding a collection after Masses this weekend (8 & 9 April) Thank you for your generosity.**

**Sunday April 9<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday**

|                |                      |                                                                        |                 |
|----------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 6pm            | C the K              | <b>Peter Murphy (Family)</b>                                           |                 |
| Sun. 9am       | St Paul's            | <b>John &amp; Norma Pathy</b>                                          | Palm Sunday     |
| 9am            | C the K              | <b>Peat Family (S Peat)</b>                                            |                 |
| 11am           | St Brigid's          | <b>Eric Russell</b>                                                    |                 |
| 6pm            | St Brigid's          | <b>People of the Parishes</b>                                          |                 |
| Mon. 9.30am    | St Brigid's          | <b>Len Perry</b>                                                       |                 |
| Tues. 9.30am   | C the K              | <b>Nancy Hansen (B Brown) &amp; Charles McDevitt (A McDevitt)</b>      |                 |
| Wed. 9.30am    | St Paul's            | <b>Vincent Regan</b>                                                   |                 |
| 11.30am        | St David's Cathedral | <b>Chrism Mass</b>                                                     |                 |
| Thurs. 10.30am | C the K              | <b>Funeral Service: Sian Clark</b>                                     |                 |
| 8pm            | St Brigid's          | <b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>                                       | Maundy Thursday |
| Fri. 10am      | C the K              | <b>Office of Readings &amp; Morning Prayers</b>                        | Good Friday     |
| 3pm            | St Paul's            | <b>Commemoration of the Passion</b>                                    |                 |
| 3pm            | C the K              | <b>Commemoration of the Passion</b>                                    |                 |
| Sat. 10am      | C the K              | <b>Office of Readings &amp; Morning Prayers (in the Parish Centre)</b> | Holy Saturday   |

**Sunday April 16<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday**

|             |             |                                                                                        |               |
|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Sat. 8.30pm | C the K     | <b>Easter Vigil (People of the 3 Churches)</b>                                         |               |
| Sun. 9am    | St Paul's   | <b>Thanksgiving (Manley)</b>                                                           | Easter Sunday |
| 9am         | C the K     | <b>Deceased members of the Richardson &amp; Halloran Families (L &amp; M Halloran)</b> |               |
| 11am        | St Brigid's | <b>People of the Parish</b>                                                            |               |
| 6pm         | St Brigid's | <b>Dec'd Camilleri Family</b>                                                          |               |

**Praying for our Neighbours**  
 Please remember in your prayers this week our neighbours in  
**Bedavere Close**  
**Carisbrooke Way**  
**Ashbourne Way**  
 who have received prayer cards in the last few days.

**3 Churches Parish Council Chairs**

**Sts Brigid & Paul**

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Acting Headteacher  
 Mrs A Thomas  
 2076 1893

**St David's College**

Principal  
 Mark Leighfield  
 2049 8555

**Safeguarding Representatives**

**Sts Brigid & Paul**  
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**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Christ the King**  
 Tuesday 10am-1pm  
**No Eucharistic Adoration in St Brigid's & St Paul's during Holy Week**

**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** £ 634.00  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 471.20  
**Total** £ 1105.20  
**S/O month av.** £ 846.77

**Christ the King**  
**Gift Aid** £ 285.70  
**Non Gift Aid** £ 426.49  
**S/O weekly av.** £ 354.29  
**Total** £ 1066.48

**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, Mary Clarke, Terry Culbertson, Agnes Davies, Emily, Anna Forrest, Bobi Gower, Maria Hill, Caitriona Lovell, Joseph (Benny) Lynch, Katrina Meades, Fr Modest, Vernon Morgan, Sarah Morris, Peter Murphy, Maureen O'Driscoll, Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, Lucia Pratali, Josie Pugsley, Rita Purcell, Valentino Rascon, John Reardon, Claire Richards, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Dewi Thomas, Bev Tumelty, Emma Warlow, Dorothy Warren & Pat Watkins.