

# 3 CHURCHES NEWS

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3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year B)

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**Corona Virus – Help a Parishioner. If you are well and able to do so, please offer to help our older & more vulnerable parishioners who may need assistance during this uncertain time.**



Dear friends and parishioners

We are at the middle part of the great season of Lent, when the Church brings us to the central Lenten theme of conversion and repentance. The Church reminds us in the first reading today of God's Word to us at Sinai, urging us to live his life and walk in his ways. We are then urged in the Gospel to cleanse the Temple of our hearts so that we can enthrone there Christ, who St Paul proclaims in the second reading to be "the power and the wisdom of God." Let us spend some time during the week reflecting on our situation in life, on our journey in faith, and prepare to bring our sins next Sunday to that same Jesus, to the Father and to the Spirit, to receive "pardon and peace".

Fr Matthew

**Response to the Psalm:** You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord, whoever believes in me will never die. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Exodus 20:1-17 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Corinthians 1:22-25 **Gospel:** John 2:13-25

## 3 CHURCHES INFO.

- 10.30 Sunday Mass is followed by a "virtual coffee" at 11.20ish via Zoom 865 017 3340 / coffee
- For **Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals** please contact Fr Matthew. Confessions by arrangement.
- To receive the **newsletter by email or submit items** - [luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk)
- Why not visit Fr Matthew's blog at [www.thecanonsstall.blogspot.com](http://www.thecanonsstall.blogspot.com)?

**R.I.P.** - Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Pat Norris** whose Requiem takes place this week on Tuesday at 2.45pm at St Brigid's and live-streamed. We pray also for **Keith Marshall** who died recently. His Requiem takes place on 7<sup>th</sup> April (Wednesday of Easter Week) at 2.30pm. We remember their families and friends in our prayers. Eternal rest grant to them, Lord.

**LENT** – Please make sure that you read and absorb the special **LENT FLYER** that has all the details you need for Lent to help us all observe this important season.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** – This year we are bringing the Stations of the Cross alive by listening to one another's reflections. We have already received a number of life reflections. We would love to receive more from other members of our 3 Churches. We currently have "vacancies" for Stations 8, 9, 12 and 14. Your reflection can be read out in the Church by you or someone else, or you can record it, to be played back during the service. For more information and / or to volunteer a reflection, please contact Ami Liddington ([liddingtona@talktalk.net](mailto:liddingtona@talktalk.net))

**Liturgy of the Word from Mass** – Join us on Sunday evenings at **6pm** for an interactive service which allows you to share in Mass and sing hymns! Open to everyone in our 3 Churches. The Zoom code is: 9851280988. The Password is: Church.

## **SAFEGUARDING – Pat Williams (St Brigid’s)**

<b>Sunday March 7<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>			
<b>SUNDAY 10.30am</b>	St Brigid’s	Alen Bunni; Lorenzo Gallo	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>
<b>MONDAY 9.30am</b>	St Brigid’s	Keith Marshall (John); Fr Ambrose Walsh	<b>St John of God</b>
<b>TUESDAY 2.45pm</b>	St Brigid’s	Requiem: Pat Norris	<b>St Frances of Rome</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY 9.30am</b>	St Brigid’s	CN Family; Fr Ray O’Shea	
<b>THURSDAY 9.30am</b>	St Brigid’s	Pat Norris	
<b>FRIDAY 9.30am</b>	St Brigid’s	Lucy O’Reilly (Taylor)	
<b>SATURDAY 9.30am</b>	St Brigid’s	Stations of the Cross	
<b>SUNDAY 10.30am</b>	St Brigid’s	Margaret Rochefort 70 <sup>th</sup> (Bailey); Marina & William Slee (Daley)	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>

### **~~ FR ANDY’S JOKE TIME ~~**

Why did the two hands cross the road?  
To get to the second hand shop.

### **50 Club Winners**

#### **January**

**1<sup>st</sup> Nicole Killen [57] £25**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Mo Archer [78] £15**

**3<sup>rd</sup> David Evans [96] £10**

#### **February**

**1<sup>st</sup> Janine Lowthe [70] £25**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Damien Clarke [80] £15**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Bernard Adshead [88] £10**

**Retrouvaille Programme** – helps Catholic marriages in England & Wales that need support.

The programme is run by couples and priests and is currently run virtually

[www.retrouvaille.org.uk/nextprog.html](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/nextprog.html)

One Year On: Remembering our Loved Ones – On 23 March 2021 we will reach a significant milestone in the country’s fight against Coronavirus: for it was on this day that we entered the first of the lockdowns. Since then, we as a nation have lost over 121,000 lives, with the total here in Wales exceeding 5,000. These are no mere statistics: each number is a life, each life is a memory, each life is a family trying to grieve in such exceptional circumstances.

On **Tuesday 23 March 12.45pm at the Cathedral**, His Grace will celebrate a Solemn Requiem at Cardiff Cathedral for all the faithful who have died last year. A virtual Book of Remembrance at the Cathedral has been opened, and His Grace invites you to send in the names of your loved-ones who have died over the last year, whether as a result of the pandemic, or for other reasons. The Book of Remembrance will be given place of honour before the pascal candle at the Requiem Mass. If you would like the name of your loved one included in the Book of Remembrance, please email

[cathedral@rcadc.org](mailto:cathedral@rcadc.org)

Due to limited numbers able to safely be present at the Cathedral, those who wish to attend will need to reserve a seat by phoning Fr Daniel Stanton at Clergy House on 2023 1407. There are thirty-four spaces available in the Cathedral for yourself or your bubble. These seats will be reserved on a ‘first-come-first-served’ basis. The Requiem Mass will also be live-streamed through the Cathedral website.

**Education Programmes for Patients (EPP)** – Do you have a long-term health condition? In pain?

Your local health board are running a variety of free NHS virtual sessions. All you need is a mobile / tablet and internet access! Sessions include: - Living well with a long-term health problem or caring for a friend or relative; living well with chronic pain; living well with diabetes & STANCE; STANCE diabetes foot health education. If you are interested in any of these sessions call 2033 5403, text ‘Interested’ to 07870 979860 or email [candice.morgan@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:candice.morgan@wales.nhs.uk)

**Praying for our Neighbours** - Even if we cannot deliver prayer cards, we will continue to pray during the coming week for our neighbours in... Georgian Way, The Retreat & Pickwick Close.

**Cycle of Prayer** - We continue to pray for the parishes and communities of our diocese. This week for St Joseph, Aberdare, pp Canon Eddie O'Connell and St Margaret Primary School.

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

Mary Amugan, Chris Babu, Edith Baker, Ann Brown, EAB, John Campbell, Corey-Jay Coles, Mary Coyle, Terry Culbertson, Win Drury, Sheila Ferriter, Baby Francesca, Emily, Maria Hill, Canon William Isaac, Caitriona Lovell, Michael Matthews, Miranda Meldrum, Dominic Morgan, Sarah Morris, Brendan Murphy, Kate Murphy, Niamh Murphy, Audrey Nelson, Kieran Ollin, Rona Perry, Bob Pugsley, John Reardon, Claire Richards, Anne Roach, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Paula Tunncliffe, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward, Emma Warlow, & Dorothy Warren.