

3 Churches News

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REQUIESCAT IN PACE - MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

I was born in the same month that Queen Elizabeth was crowned - June 1953. Like the majority, I cannot remember and have not experienced any other monarch. I unite my thoughts and prayers with those of Cardinal Nichols of Westminster in his statement issued on Thursday...

"On 21 April 1947, on her twenty-first birthday, Princess Elizabeth said, 'I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service.' Now, seventy-five years later, we are heartbroken in our loss at her death, and so full of admiration for the unflinching way in which she fulfilled that declaration. Even in my sorrow, shared with so many around the world, I am filled with an immense sense of gratitude for the gift to the world that has been the life of Queen Elizabeth II. At this time, we pray for the repose of the soul of Her Majesty. We do so with confidence, because the Christian faith marked every day of her life and activity.

In her Millennium Christmas message, she said, 'To many of us, our beliefs are of fundamental importance. For me the teachings of Christ and my own personal accountability before God provide a framework in which I try to lead my life. I, like so many of you, have drawn great comfort in difficult times from Christ's words and example.'

This faith, so often and so eloquently proclaimed in her public messages, has been an inspiration to me, and I am sure to many. The wisdom, stability and service which she consistently embodied, often in circumstances of extreme difficulty, are a shining legacy and testament to her faith. "Our prayer is that she is now received into the merciful presence of God, there to be reunited with her beloved Prince Philip. This is the promise of our faith, and our deep consolation.

"Queen Elizabeth II will remain, always a shining light in our history. May she now rest in peace. We pray for His Majesty the King, as he assumes his new office even as he mourns his mother. God save the King."

Fr Matthew



~~~~ 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sunday 11 September 2022) ~~~~



Response to Psalm I will leave this place and go to my father.

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! May the father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, So that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Exodus 32:7-11. 13-14 **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Timothy 1: 12-17 **Gospel:** Luke 15: 1-32

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## 3 Churches

### **BAPTISMS**

On Saturday at St Brigid's **Theodore Dobbs** joined the Church through Baptism. Next Saturday we also welcome **Autumn Ayres** at Christ the King. We remember these children, their families and godparents in our prayers.

### **MARY'S MEALS**

Next weekend - 17/18 September we welcome speakers at most of our Masses from **Mary's Meals**, a very worthy and comparatively recent charity in the Church, doing brilliant work with children.

### **Next week's newsletter**

Send items for next week's newsletter to Simon - [simon@svpworld.com](mailto:simon@svpworld.com)

### **CTK School Governors Wanted**

We welcomed our schools back this week. This reminds us that once more we are in need of some new Foundation Governors for our primary school, Christ the King. If you have a heart for our young parishioners, for the future of our community & want to put something back into that community, why not find out more? Contact Fr Matthew at the Presbytery (details on front page) or Mrs Sue Miles, headteacher, at the school.

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

There will be a Baptism Preparation Course on Saturdays 17 and 24 September. Both sessions will start at 4pm and will last about an hour. Please email Brigid Lee at [andylee63@talktalk.net](mailto:andylee63@talktalk.net) for further details and to book a place

### **CAFOD/DEC Pakistan Flood Appeal**

There will be a collection for the Pakistan Flood Appeal after all Masses this weekend

### **3 Churches Mass for the Sick**

Our annual 3 Churches Mass for the Sick will take place on **Saturday 24 September** at 11am in Christ the King Church. The purpose of this Mass is to bring together those in need of comfort and healing; for sickness of mind or body. All are warmly invited. Please extend an invitation to anyone you know that may not see this notice. We would ask Eucharistic Ministers of the 3 Churches to extend the invitation when taking communion out to the sick and housebound. If anyone can help with lifts, please contact Marie O'Brien (2075 3945 [llanishen@rcadc.org](mailto:llanishen@rcadc.org)) We look forward to seeing as many of our parishioners as possible on 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **3 Churches Free Food Market**

The next 3 Churches Free Food Market is on **Saturday 17 September, 10.30 - 11.30 at St Brigid's Hall**. Free fresh and non perishable food is available to anybody from our parishes and local community who is in need. If you know someone who would benefit from some extra food items this month please encourage them to come along - or, come and take some items of food and deliver them to someone you know who is in need. If you would like to make a donation, cash or cheque, please use one of the brown labelled envelopes which are at the back of each of the 3 Churches.

The Quiet Garden Autumn Reflection is on **Thursday 15 September at 2.30pm**. Come along at 2pm to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and cake. We meet in the vestry at the back of Llanishen Methodist Church, Melbourne Road, Llanishen.

### **Spirit of the Synod**

The Pope asked us to reimagine the Church, in the recent Synod exercise. This includes looking outwards as well as within. My work has unexpectedly taken me to St Elvan's, Aberdare. This amazing Church is known as the 'Cathedral of the Valleys'. It was built by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Marquis of Bute, in 1852, when landowners and industrialists wanted the church to be a more positive moral influence. This was in response, cynically you may say, to uprisings like the 'Merthyr Riots' of 1831.

In more recent times, the Church has re-imagined itself and become more community focused. For example, there is a café, where some pews used to exist and a mezzanine, above it, where some events are held. There are still regular Church services; however, these are complemented by a programme of events ranging from: film festivals and piano concerts to plays and exhibitions. See [www.stelvans.com/events](http://www.stelvans.com/events)

There is currently even a life size sculpture of the Welsh Dragon, on show, made from recycled satellite dishes! It is easy to miss the Church, at the centre of Aberdare, despite its spire. Why not drop in for a coffee or lunch or an event? It's only 35 minutes, by car, from Cardiff and may inspire all our thinking of what Church can be: imagine that! Phil ([philburkhard@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:philburkhard@hotmail.co.uk))

### **3 Churches Information**

"**Virtual Coffee**" at approx. 11.30 every Sunday Zoom ID 865 017 3340 passcode - coffee.

**Confessions** are after weekday Masses or by arrangement.

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### The Quiz Night

Thursday 1 September, was the first social event at the Parish Centre for a long time. Being the first such event, we did not know how it would go, but we needn't have worried. We had a large turnout, with 7 teams, the "Not So Famous 5" winning, the "6 Brain Cells" 2<sup>nd</sup> and the very aptly named "New Friends" 3<sup>rd</sup>. Only 6 points separating 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> it was an extremely close competition, to say the least. But the real winner was the evening itself, people getting together on the night, to meet socially and to share a glass or two!! There was no charge, but had a voluntary contribution plate, which was for the Junior Club craft material and it totalled an amazing £120! We will now be holding a Quiz Night on every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month with a different parish group hosting each one. So please come along, even on those cold drizzly nights in the winter and enjoy the warmth of some great company and friendship!!!

## Christ the King

### Family Mass

We will be having a Family Mass at CTK on Sunday 25 September at 9.30am. Everyone is very welcome. If any child or young person would like to take part please contact Marie in the Parish Office (2075 3945 [llanishen@rcadc.org](mailto:llanishen@rcadc.org))

### Send your newsletter items to:

[luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luke.todd@yahoo.co.uk) and if you would like to be included on the mailing list to receive an e-version of this newsletter, please contact the same address.

Bring a packet of biscuits to Mass!  
For many months the Parish Centre has hosted weekly classes under the able leadership of Kate Congdon around forty Ukrainians, mostly young women and children. They come to learn English. Lessons are structured, they arrive from 12.30pm onwards. Lessons start at 1pm and finish at 3pm. Needless to say, they need a break after all that study. There are a few ladies from the parish who prepare teas and coffees. Presently, they provide the biscuits and the labour! It would be very helpful to us, and I know that the Ukrainian girls & their children would really appreciate it if you as parish members could bring a pack of biscuits to Mass. Chocolate ones are the most popular, however, all sorts will be gratefully received, boxes, tins, packets etc. Either leave them in the porch or give them to Tania after or before Mass. Contact Tania (2061 1494) if you need her address details to drop them off there. Thank you for your donations.

### Junior Club

The Junior Club returns on Friday 16 September, 6.30 - 7.45pm in the Parish Centre. All in years 3 - 6 of ANY school are welcome. To save time if your child would like to come along, please complete an online form beforehand if you can; <https://tinyurl.com/28nx8jms>  
Please note, if you have already completed the online form last term there is no need to do another unless you have changed any of your contact details or if your child has a medical issue or allergy we need to be aware of.

We are in need of new helpers. If you can help once a month, please contact Marie (07753 439567)

**A huge THANK YOU to everyone who has donated craft resources to the Junior Club. We are truly grateful, they will be put to good use. Thanks for your support.**

### Communion

If you or a family member needs communion brought to you in your bench, let one of the welcomers know on your way into Mass

### Toddler Group

The Toddler Group will return on 12 September.

### Donations of non perishable food

We are asking for donations of non perishable foods, tins, packets etc for our Harvest Family Mass on Sunday 25 September. Donations can be left in the box in the porch this weekend and next weekend. All donations will be given to the Food Market at St Brigid's after the Mass.

## St Brigid's & St Pauls

### Tea Rota

Tea / coffee will be served after 10.30am Mass. Come & join us for tea and a chat.

### Gift Aid Envelopes

The Gift Aid Envelopes starting 6 November 2022 - 29 October 2023 is ready for collection. It will be placed in St Brigid's this weekend and at St Paul's the next. Kindly take note that the Gift Aid record of your donations ending 5 April 2022 for your Tax Return from the Finance Office in the Archdiocese has been prepared and posted out to you.

# WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

## Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

|               |             |                                        |                                                 |
|---------------|-------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Sat. 6pm      | C the K     | <b>Jane Howe (T Evans)</b>             |                                                 |
| Sun. 9am      | C the K     | <b>Elvira Falsini (Falsini Family)</b> |                                                 |
|               | 9am         | St Paul's                              | <b>Pawlowski &amp; Goodwin Families</b>         |
|               | 10.30am     | St Brigid's                            | <b>People of the Parishes</b>                   |
|               | 6pm         | St Brigid's                            | <b>Available</b>                                |
| Mon. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Thanksgiving B.V.M.</b>             | Most Holy Name of Mary                          |
| Tues. 9.30am  | C the K     | <b>Cregg Family (C Bailey)</b>         | St John Chrysostom                              |
| Wed. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>The Sick of the Parishes</b>        | The Exaltation of the Cross                     |
| Thurs. 9.30am | C the K     | <b>Ann Atkins (C Lush)</b>             | Our Lady of Sorrows                             |
|               | 7.30pm      | St Brigid's                            | <b>Available</b>                                |
| Fri. 9.30am   | St Paul's   | <b>John Harrington</b>                 | Sts Cornelius & Cyprian                         |
| Sat. 9.30am   | St Brigid's | <b>Holy Souls</b>                      | St Robert Bellarmine;<br>St Hildegard of Bingen |
|               | 11am        | St Paul's                              | <b>Memorial Service: Greenman</b>               |
|               | 11.30am     | C the K                                | <b>Baptism: Autumn Ayres</b>                    |

## Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

|          |         |                               |                               |
|----------|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sat. 6pm | C the K | <b>Dom Bryon (M Bryon)</b>    |                               |
| Sun. 9am | C the K | <b>Ian O'Brien (E Taylor)</b> |                               |
|          | 9am     | St Paul's                     | <b>Mary's Meals</b>           |
|          | 10.30am | St Brigid's                   | <b>People of the Parishes</b> |
|          | 6pm     | St Brigid's                   | <b>Available</b>              |

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

**Sacrament of  
Reconciliation**  
After weekday Masses  
or by arrangement.

### PRAYERS

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

Mary Amugan, Chris Babu, Bill Brown, EAB, John Campbell, Caher, Dennis Cooke, Corey-Jay Coles, Terry Culbertson, Sid Daw, Emily, Richard Evans, Baby Francesca, Maria Hill, Avirachen Mathai, Miranda Meldrum, Dominic Morgan, Sarah Morris, Kate Murphy, Niamh Murphy, Kieran Ollin, Steve Prince, John Reardon, Claire Richards, Anne Roach, Oliver Roberts, Adela Rogers, Shaun Stone, Anne Wake, Gemma Ward, Emma Warlow & Dorothy Warren.

**Last Week's Collection**  
**Sts. Brigid & Paul**  
Gift Aid £ ~~~~  
Non Gift Aid £ ~~~~  
Total £ ~~~~  
S/O month av. £ ~~~~

**Christ the King**  
Gift Aid £ ~~~~  
Non Gift Aid £ ~~~~  
Total £ ~~~~  
S/O weekly av. £ ~~~~