

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID

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SUNDAY 19th APRIL 2015

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE YEAR B

Psalter week 3

We continue to think about the Resurrection this week, from three different perspectives: the Gospel gives us another story of Jesus appearing to his disciples - this time the beautiful story of the meeting in Jerusalem, when Jesus proves he is alive and no ghost by eating some grilled fish: he reminds the disciples that all he suffered and rise so the "repentance for the forgiveness of sins" could be preached to the whole world. The first reading shows us Saint Peter's doing just that, as he addresses the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost: he takes them through recent events (fifty days earlier), highlighting the important point, that he and the disciples can witness to the raising of Jesus from the dead, and calling them to "repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out." The second reading brings this into our lives: the resurrection is not just a historical event, which we remember. By baptism (which we renewed at Easter) we become part of Jesus in his dying and his rising, as he 'becomes the sacrifice that takes our sins away. So all that Saint John tells us about the commandments and avoiding sin is our way of living the Resurrection.

The Psalm

When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. "What can bring us happiness?" many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19 Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5 Gospel Reading: Luke 24:35-48

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer: Mon Tues, Thurs 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Catherine Price (M&PL)	3rd Sunday of Easter
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	The People of the Parish	
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Elsie & William Desmond (FJ): Ints Chittleburgh Family	
	11.15am	St David's	Andrew Edwards (RE)	
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Kathleen Iverheron (KB)	
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Aherne Family Thanksgiving	
	4.00pm	Our Lady's	Vigil for Krystyna Truszkowski	
Wednesday	11.00am	Our Lady's	Funeral Mass for Krystyna Truszkowski	
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Michael Gough and brother (VG)	
Friday	9.00am	Our Lady's	John Burnett (AB): John & Catherine Williams (VL)	
	1.00pm	St David's	Funeral Service for Gladys Wright	
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Margaret Boland (DO'B)	
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Patricia Gillette (CG)	4th Sunday of Easter
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Josephine Scully and Seamus Scully (GS)	
	11.15am	St David's	The People of the Parish	

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues: St David's:

10am -11.30am

Fri: Our Lady's:

9.30am -5.00pm

RECONCILIATION

Our Lady's:

12noon -12.30pm

St David's:

3.45pm -4.15pm

TEA, COFFEE, BISCUITS AND A CHAT in St Anne's room after 9.30am Mass today and every Sunday

St David's: Sunday 11.15am: 4 people to take the collection and 2 people for the offertory procession are needed for this Mass

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK IS FOR THE PRIESTS' TRAINING FUND

BAPTISM: Our Lady's 9.30am Mass:

We welcome Eluned Roberts into our Parish Family and congratulate her parents as she begins her Faith journey

Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid	£445.00
Non Gift Aid	£592.97
Gift Aid Standing Order	£121.73
Total giving this week	£1159.70
Mass Count: 429	

Catechesis

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to our children who made their First Holy Communion yesterday. Thank you to the Catechists and to everyone who made the day a great celebration.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation classes for the Confirmandi continue on Tuesday April 21st at 6pm in St Anne's room at Our Lady of the Angels Church and for parents in Canon John's office.

Sick List

Please pray for the sick of our parish especially Penny James, Marie McLaren, George Whitfield, Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Tom and Hazel McCarthy, Jean Olearczyk, Goff James, Reg & Mary Leigh, Peter Lee, Mary Reilly, Phillip & Doreen Hayton Barbara Berger, Mary Brown, Lilian Cody, Megan Donnelly, Peggy Wickett, Mieczyslan Kopec Please inform Canon John of any sick parishioners' names you would like included in this list

The Diocesan Youth Retreat- 24-26th April.

A weekend retreat, including engaging talks, live music, workshops, discussions, evening entertainment and loads more. It is aimed at 16-30 year olds and will take place at St. David's Catholic College, Cardiff. You are invited to take the opportunity to meet with hundreds of local Catholics your age and grow in faith. For more details visit youth2000.org or find us on Facebook.

UCM Coffee Morning at Our Lady's

The UCM will be holding a coffee morning on Wednesday, 6th May at 11am. Tickets £2.50.
Proceeds in aid of HCPT Group 97

Belmont Abbey

The Annual Torchlight Procession in honour of Our Lady will take place at Belmont Abbey on Wednesday, 13th May 2016, beginning at 9pm. Vespers celebrated at 6pm. Food and drink available in Hedley Lodge from 6.30pm. The Bookshop will be open from 2pm onwards. **Please sign the list at the back of the church if you wish to reserve a seat on the coach.**

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Miriam Bracchi and Krystyna Truszkowski who died recently and for their families.

WELSH NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2015

The Welsh National Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from **26-31 July 2015** and will be organised by Joe Walsh Tours with return flights from Cardiff airport. The cost will be £689. Pilgrims are invited to join in parish groups or individually. Further details may be obtained from Fr. Kevin Paine at Newbridge (01495 243304). Bookings can be made through: Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lower Baggot Street Dublin 2 IRELAND Tel: 00 353 1 241 0800

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

12th October 2015 –15th October 2015

Booking forms are in the porches of both churches. Further details may be obtained from Fr. Kevin Paine at Newbridge (01495 243304).

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

24th October 2015 -31st October 2015

Itinerary and booking forms are available from the Admin office. Cost per person sharing is £1175 and for a single room per person is £1425. Deposit £200 per person. There is still time to book a seat on this pilgrimage.

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

A retiring collection for the Priests' Training Fund will take place next week and over the following two weeks. If you are able to Gift Aid your donation please put it in an envelope with your Gift Aid number from your collection box printed on it.

Prayer for Vocations

Lord, Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of our souls, You who know Your sheep and know how to reach the human heart. Stir the hearts of those people who would follow You but cannot overcome doubts and fears. You who are the Word of the Father, the Word which enlightens and sustains hearts, conquer with Your Spirit the resistance and delays of indecisive hearts. Awaken in those whom You call the courage of love's answer: "Here I am, send me."

(Inspired by the writings of St John Paul II)

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