

Parish of Our Lady and St David, Cwmbran

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SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2014

ASCENSION OF THE LORD (Solemnity)

PSALTER WEEK 3

World Communications Day

*All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me*



Ascension is not just a feast that happens to fall in Eastertide: it is an integral part of the Easter mystery. Remember the Lord's words at the Last Supper: "I am going to prepare a place for, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me." The resurrection presumes the Lord's return to the Father. This is therefore a feast of hope: our hope in the Lord's return, as he went. Our hope that he will take us with him, when our bodies are raised as his was. Our hope that we will take our place in heaven, where he sits on the Father's right.

Come Holy Spirit

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

*V. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.*

*R. And You shall renew the face of the earth.*

*Let us pray.*

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Our Liturgy and Devotions for next week

Morning Prayer: Thurs 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

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

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Michael McGinty (TG)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Kathleen & Michael Murphy
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Jim Desmond (FD)
	11.15am	St David's	Tom Forward (VW)
Monday	9.30am	Abbey	For the People of the Parish
	4.00pm	Our Lady's	Vigil for Teresa Magdalen Young
Tuesday	10.00am	Our Lady's	Funeral Mass for Teresa Magdalen Young
Wednesday	7.30pm	Our Lady's	CONFIRMATION MASS For the Confirmandi
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Gordon Worsfold (SW) <i>St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr (Memorial)</i>
	4.00pm	Our Lady's	Vigil for Elizabeth Kiely
	4.45pm	St David's	Vigil for Lucille Joan Kembrey
Friday	10.00am	St David's	Funeral Mass for Lucille Joan Kembrey
	1.15pm	Our Lady's	Funeral Mass for Elizabeth Kiely
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Rose and Jack Clifford (MW)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Betty Fitzgerald's Intentions
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Sr Conala's Intentions (EG)
	11.15am	St David's	Bridie McGrath (BM)

Confirmation: Welcome to Archbishop George

On Wednesday at 7.30pm in Our Lady of the Angels Church thirteen young people from our Parish and Brynmawr will complete the Sacrament of Christian Initiation when they will be confirmed by Archbishop George. Everyone is welcome from our Parish Community to the celebration.

### Celebration of Christian Initiation

We welcome Lilly Mae Thorpe into our Parish Family as she begins her Faith journey. Lilly Mae will receive the Sacrament of Baptism today at St David's and we offer our congratulations to her parents.

#### Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid	£238.01
Non Gift Aid	£680.63
Gift Aid Standing Order	£121.73
Total giving this week	£1040.27
Priests' Training Fund	£1060.15

Mass Count: 421

#### Second collection for World Communications Day

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*O God, whose word is truth and in whose light we see light, guide those who tell the story of our times through word and image. Make them seekers after truth and advocates of human dignity. Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours, and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world, awaken in us a sense of the presence and of longing for your peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

On this day, Catholics are invited to reflect anew on the command of Jesus to his followers that we preach the Good News of the Gospel to the whole world

#### What's on this week in the Parish

##### Our Lady's

Tuesday: 2.00pm Social Club

Wednesday: 2.30pm UCM

##### 7.30pm Confirmation Mass

##### St David's

Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Devotions

Wednesday: 10am Choir Practice

Thursday: 10am Legion of Mary

#### Strawberries and Cream Tea fundraiser

CAFOD supporter Pam Haywood is organising a strawberries and cream tea fundraiser at **Ty Croeso, Llantarnam Abbey on Sunday 8 June, 3-5pm**. Tickets are £5 available on the door, children under 12 are free. Price of ticket also includes a glass of champagne!

The proceeds of this will go towards those in Syria who are affected by the conflict. To find out more [go to our blog](#), or you can book a ticket directly with Pam by ringing her on 01633 668 990. We hope to see you there!"

### I Believe" Conference - St David's Cathedral & the Cornerstone, Cardiff CF10 2 SF

7pm Friday 13th - 4pm Sunday 15th June 2014; Free entrance, Donations Only.

Speakers include Fr Keith Windsor OFM (Director of the Franciscan Friary and Retreat Center at Pantaspah; Sr Seraphim; Ros Powell and Erika Gibello. Healing Services Friday and Saturday night and Inner Healing Seminars Saturday Morning and afternoon. Please see Notice Board for more information or visit [www.sdcrf.org.uk](http://www.sdcrf.org.uk)

#### CAFOD NEWS: BUILDING BRIDGES

Working with Muslim charities to support peace in Central African Republic CAFOD's Catherine Mahony and members of British Muslim charities have recently returned from Central African Republic, having witnessed for themselves the insecurity caused by the continuing cycle of retaliatory violence. She will be speaking about her visit at **The Cornerstone on Charles Street, Cardiff on Thursday 19th June at 7:30pm.**

#### Sung Vespers at Tintern Abbey: Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 3pm

We are delighted that this year the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Baron Rowan Williams will give the address at our annual service of Sung Vespers at Tintern Abbey.

#### YOUCAT

113. *What does it mean I believe in the Holy Spirit?*

**To believe in the Holy Spirit means to worship him as God just like the Father and the Son. It means to believe that the Holy Spirit comes into our hearts so that we as children of God might know our Father in heaven. Moved by God's Spirit, we can change the face of the earth. (683-686)**

Before his death, Jesus promised that he would send them "another counsellor" (Jn 14:16) when he was no longer with them. Then when the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the disciples of the original Church, they learned what Jesus had meant. They experienced a deep assurance and joy in their faith and received particular CHARISMS (Gifts): in other words, they could prophesy, heal, and work miracles. To this day there are people in the Church who possess such gifts and have these experiences. (35-38, 310-311)