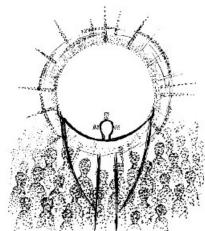
Parish of Our Lady and St David, Cwmbran (Registered Charity No. 242380)

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Sunday 25th May 2014 Sixth Sunday of Easter Psalter Week 2

I shall ask the Father, and he shall give you another Advocate



By now we are some distance away from Easter, but the season is still permeated with the Easter message: Christ is risen, we are baptised in him. But today a new dimension of the story comes out: Easter is not complete until the risen Lord has returned to the Father and sent the Holy Spirit. So in the Gospel today we begin two weeks of looking forward to the coming of that 'Spirit of truth' which sets us apart from the world. This is a Spirit of power, which flows through the life of the Church, enabling its members to 'proclaim the Christ' and, dwelling in our hearts, to live in the midst of the world's slander and accusations.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION.

The Universal Church is asked to gather in prayerful solidarity with the Christian Community in the Holy Land during the pilgrimage being undertaken by our Holy Father Pope Francis. At 3.00pm on Sunday 25 May, the Pope will be in Bethlehem praying for peace in that troubled land. A Holy Hour and Benediction will take place in <u>both</u> churches today at 3pm, uniting us with Pope Francis' intentions and with his courageous initiative at this difficult time in the history of the Middle East.

Our Liturgy and Devotions for next week

Morning Prayer: Tues and Thurs 9.10am Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm
Angelus before Mass Rosary after weekday Mass

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| Saturday | 4.30pm | St David's | Mulachy Family (CM) |
| | 6.00pm | Our Lady's | Bill & Ethel Haggerty (MW) |
| Sunday | 9.30am | Our Lady's | Anne and Tom Pinkey (AB) |
| | 11.15am | St David's | Pamela & John Robert Maxwell (LP) |
| Monday | 9.30am | Abbey | People of the Parish |
| Tuesday | 9.30am | St David's | Kathleen Grant |
| Wednesday | 9.30am | Our Lady's | Mario Moruzzi (TC) |
| Thursday | 9.30am | St David's | Kathleen Melody (MO'B) |
| Friday | 9.00am | Our Lady's | Val Jones (O&BW) |
| | 12noon | Our Lady's | Funeral Service for Veronica Maureen Griffiths |
| 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) |

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

St David's on Tuesdays from 10am-12pm
Our Lady of the Angels on Friday from 9.30am-5pm
The Record Courses

(because of the funeral service The Blessed Sacrament will be reposed from 11.15am to 12.45pm)

Sacrament of Reconciliation, Saturday

Our Lady's at 12noon-12.30pm St David's at 3.45pm -4.15pm

Celebration of Christian Initiation

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the Children of Our Parish who recently made their First Holy Communion.

Confirmation: Welcome to Archbishop George

On the 4th June at 7.30pm thirteen young people from our Parish and Brynmawr will complete the Sacrament of Christian Initiation when they will be confirmed by Archbishop George. Please make a note of the date in your diary. Everyone is welcome from our Parish Community to the celebration.

What's on this week in the Parish

Our Lady's

Tuesday: 2.00pm Social Club

St David's

Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Devotions

Wednesday: 10am Choir Practice
Thursday: 10am Legion of Mary

U.C.M.

The U.C.M. is holding a coffee morning on Wednesday 18th June at 11am. There will be a demonstration of jewellery making and a jewellery repair service will be available. Tickets £2 and are on sale from this weekend. Proceeds in aid of Cystic Fibrosis Society

The U.C.M would like donations of clothes in good condition, please bag them and leave them in the crying room by Sunday 8th June Please donate <u>clothes and shoes only</u>, no Bric A Brac. All proceeds in aid of Parish funds

Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Please pay your deposits to the parish office ASAP to claim your discount. Cheques should be made payable to Our Lady and St David's Parish.

Ministries

If you would like to be a Reader or Eucharistic Minister please see Canon John.

Friends of Saint David Lewis

The next meeting of Friends of Saint David Lewis will be held on Thursday 29th May at 2pm, in Saint Anne's Room

Wales & the Marches Catholic History Society
History Day Saturday June 14th 2014 at St. David's C10
am – 3.45pm Catholic Sixth Form College, Tygwyn Rd.,
Cardiff from 10 am – 3.45pm Further information: Tricia

Coulthard: 02920595899

| Your giving to your Parish: many thanks |
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| Gift Aid | £351.00 |
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| Non Gift Aid | £673.14 |
| Gift Aid Standing Order | £121.73 |
| First Holy Communion | £45.67 |
| Total giving this week | £1191.54 |

Mass Count: 464

Second collection next week is for World Communications Day

The Angelus

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

Res: And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary...

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

Res: Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made Flesh.

Res: And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

Res: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Hail Mary... LET US PRAY

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Food bank collection next Sunday

Mass Intentions: Please use the envelopes available in the Church porch for your intentions and offering

Spuc Safe at School

The push for making sex education a compulsory subject is growing stronger. We are being urged to respond to this new inquiry from the Education Select Department. Please see briefing notes on the notice board on how to make a submission to this consultation or contact Spuc on 020 8407 3463

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the souls of Teresa Magdalen Young, Betty Kiely, Christina Zaballero and Veronica Maureen Griffiths who died recently, and please pray for their families

