

Parish of Our Lady and St David, Cwmbran

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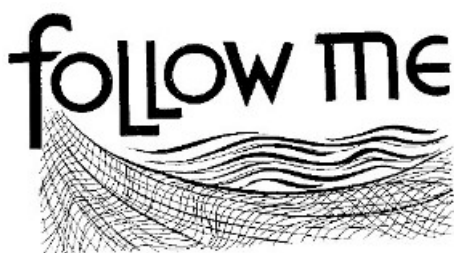
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31st AUGUST 2014

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK 2



If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself.

A quick glance at last week's Gospel reveals the interesting development of the story: last week, we heard Peter proclaiming that Jesus was the Messiah, and being given authority as a result. This week, Peter gets it wrong: he is rebuked by the Lord because he does not understand who the Messiah is. The Messiah is the one who will give everything for his people - even his own life. To be a follower of Jesus demands an understanding and acceptance of this fact, and a willingness to take up the cross as Jesus did. Our introduction to this is the prophet Jeremiah - also persecuted for doing and saying what was right. Have a look at the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, where this twinning of Jeremiah and prophecy of persecution also appears.

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

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

Morning Prayer: Mon, Tues & Thurs 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Fred & Mary Strutt (MMcD)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Olwyn Szymanski (KM)
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Sue Jenkins (PL)
	11.15am	St David's	Lorraine McCormack's Ints (P&LMcC)
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	The People of the Parish
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Ray Sambroke (Dr P)
	4.00pm	Our Lady's	Vigil for Betty FitzGerald
Wednesday	1.45pm	Our Lady's	Funeral Mass for Betty FitzGerald <i>St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor, memorial</i>
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Olwyn Szymanski (MV)
Friday	9.00am	Our Lady's	Rev Noel Williams (CM)
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Colin and Catherine Bown (TH)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Mary Lee (Family)
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Kathleen Powell (GP)
	11.15am	St David's	Michael Ryan (L&PMc)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday: St David's Church 10.am -12pm

Friday: Our Lady's Church 9.30am – 5pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – SATURDAY

There will be no confessions in either church on Saturday 6th September.

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Res: For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

House Visits

Please let Canon John know if you or anyone you know would like a house visit

Food Bank Collection will take place next week 6/7th September

Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid	£470.70
Non Gift Aid	£613.11
Gift Aid Standing Order	£121.73
Total giving this week	£1205.54
Mass Count: 412+	

Collection for the People of Iraq £1419.95

A massive Thank You to everyone!

Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church or do you know anyone who may be interested, please contact Canon John or Deacon Peter

Annual Pilgrimage in Honour of Saint David Lewis S.J.

"Tad y Tlodion" - Father of the Poor, 335th Anniversary of His Martyrdom. Mass at 3:00pm on Sunday 31st August 2014 at SS. Francis Xavier and David Lewis Church, Porth - y - Carne Street, Usk. NP15 1RZ Please see poster for details.

Sung Vespers at Tintern Abbey: Sunday 7th 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.

Ordination

The Rev. Michael Doyle will be ordained to the priesthood at St. David's Cathedral, Cardiff, at 12.00 noon on Saturday 6 September Please keep him and the other seminarians preparing for service as priests in your thoughts and prayers.

Eucharistic Ministers Meeting

A meeting for Eucharistic Ministers will be held on Wednesday, 17th September at 7pm in Our Lady of the Angels Church

Readers' Meeting

A meeting for all readers will take place on Wednesday 22nd October 2014 at 7pm in Our Lady of the Angels Church

Requiescant in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Betty FitzGerald and Patricia Mary Edwards who died recently and for their family and friends. Betty's Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday at Our Lady of the Angels Church.

"No man lives alone, no man believes alone. God speaks his word to us and in speaking it calls us together, creates a community, his people, his Church. After the return of Jesus to his Father the Church is the sign of his presence in the world.

St Basil the Great (Bishop, 5th Century)

Red Boxes (St David's)

Mission Red Boxes are due to be emptied. Please bring them to the Piety Stall.

SPUC National Conference

The SPUC National Conference will take place between 5th and 7th September in Swanwick, Derbyshire. Financial help is available if needed. For further details contact Molly MacDonald on 01495 758284

PRAYER FOR WALES

(For Adoration Benediction on Tuesday and Fridays)

O Almighty God, in your infinite goodness, you sent your only begotten Son into this world to open once more the gates of heaven, and to teach us to know, love, and serve you. Have mercy on your people who dwell in Wales. Nourish in us the precious gift of faith, and unite us in the one true church, founded by your divine Son. Give us the grace to be loyal witnesses together to your truth, and to live faithful to your love. Sanctify us by your Son's sacraments, and bring us to worship you in spirit and in truth, so that we may come to eternal happiness with you in the world to come.

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Building Missionary Parishes

Pope Francis has challenged us to leave our "sterile and secure" churches and go out onto the streets to bind up the wounds of the society we live in, as a first step to living and sharing the Good News.

There are different wounds in every parish; loneliness, isolation, unemployment, the housebound, illness, working for less than a living wage, Alzheimer's, mental health issues, hunger, asylum seekers, drugs, homelessness... the list goes on.

Mission begins with listening to the people around us so that we may organise together to bind up the wounds we identify in our neighbourhood. Please join us for:

Practical Listening and Organising Skills Training at either:

The Cornerstone	12:30	Every Tuesday in September 2014
St Philip Evans Small Hall	19:30	Every Monday in September 2014

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