



PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID

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SUNDAY 5th July 2015

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

PSALTER WEEK 2

A prophet is only despised in his own country."

A prophet's job is to open people's eyes to the reality of their situation - pointing out to them the things they would rather forget or ignore. A prophet is a sort of "national conscience", always awake to situations of injustice and always speaking out about them. A prophet is commissioned to do this by God, who sends the prophet on his mission Jesus is just such a prophet - teaching and preaching about the Kingdom of God and the best way to live. Despite the welcome his message has received elsewhere, when he comes to his hometown he is faced with rejection -such that "he was amazed at their lack of faith." It is curious is that they seem to accept his wisdom, and his miracles, but because he grew up among them they cannot accept him as a teacher from God. We should remember that it is often hardest to stand up for the truth among those who know us well.

The Psalm

To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens: my eyes, like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords. Like the eyes of a servant on the hand of her mistress, so our eyes are on the Lord our God till he show us his mercy. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy. We are filled with contempt. Indeed all too full is our soul with the proud man's disdain.

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Second Reading: 2Cor 12:7-10

Gospel Reading: Mark 6: 1-6

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer: Mon, Tues & Thurs 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Kenneth Harnett (LA)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Kathleen & Michael Murphy (MH) 14th Sunday Year B
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Peggy Clack (AB&JC)
	11.15am	St David's	Penny James (TD)
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Pat Woods' Ints (PP) <i>Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr</i>
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	The People of the Parish
Wednesday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Marian Saulters (GS)
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Morgan Family (MBM)
Friday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Gerry Harper (P,C&F)
	2.00pm	St D. School	The Staff, Pupils and Governors of Our Parish Schools
Saturday	4.30pm	Our Lady's	Elizabeth Bustin (D&MM) 15th Sunday of Year B
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Jan Jakubowski (JJ)
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Terence O'Brien: Veronica Kent: Ints Anne O'Donoghue
	11.15am	St David's	The People of the Parish

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues: St David's:

10.00am-11.30am

Fri: Our Lady's:

10.00am -5.00pm

RECONCILIATION

Our Lady's:

12noon -12.30pm

St David's:

3.45pm -4.15pm

BAPTISMS AT OUR LADY'S 9.30am SUNDAY 5TH JULY 2015

We welcome Lily-Mae Eckley, Evie Madison Eckley and Callum Harrison Eckley into our parish family and congratulate their parents as they begin their Faith journey

FOOD COLLECTION THIS WEEK END

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK IS FOR THE APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA.

FRIDAY 10TH JULY 2015 SCHOOL MASSES: 9.30am at OUR LADY'S CHURCH FOR OUR LADY'S SCHOOL

2.00pm at ST DAVID'S SCHOOL FOR ST DAVID'S PUPILS

N.P. Exposition will commence at 10.00am at Our Lady's on Friday this week (10/07/15)

Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid	£407.85
Non Gift Aid	£648.03
Gift Aid Standing Order	£148.96
Total giving this week	£1204.84
Mass Count: 445	

Sick List

Please pray for the sick of our parish especially Hugh Williams, 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, Lilian Cody, Megan Donnelly, Peggy Wickett, Kathleen Eyre, Doreen Tubb, Mieczyslan Kopec, George Powell, Trevor Jenkins, Bill Gale, Chris Bowditch, Mavis Thomas, Mary Crescenzi, Nancy Davies, Margaret Gallagher and all who care for them.

Missio APF-MILL HILL MISSION MASS

This Sunday, 5th July 2015 at Llantarnam Abbey at 3pm. All APF members, their families and friends are invited. Please contact Rita Draisey at OLA or Mel Pearce in St David's. See poster for details

S.P.U.C. NOTICE

Assisted Dying Bill Vote in the House of Commons

Urgent Appeal: Oppose Doctor- Assisted Suicide.

Please write to your MP today, asking him/her to oppose the **Assisted Dying Bill**. There will be a vote in the House of Commons on 11th September 2015. It is urgent to write to MPS before **21st July** as that is the last day before the summer recess. After that many MPS will be away until just before 11th September. The **Assisted Dying Bill** would allow doctors or other health professionals to provide help such as lethal drugs for dying people to commit suicide. Assisted dying gives the message to sick, disabled and elderly people that they don't have ***lives worth living***. Vulnerable people can feel under pressure to choose death. Evidence of how this has happened in other countries where assisted dying has been legalised and other arguments against the bill are available from SPUC. Leaflets to help you write to your MP are available free from SPUC. TEL: 020 7091 7091, Email: political@spuc.org.uk or write to SPUC, Unit B, 3Whitacre Mews, London SE11 4AB

'PROCLAIM 15' CONFERENCE NEXT SATURDAY

A reminder of the 'Proclaim 15' Conference on Evangelisation to be held at Birmingham next Saturday, 11 July. Two delegates from each parish in the Diocese are travelling by coach with a very early start from Cardiff. Please pray for the success of the conference

MISERICORDIAE VULTUS

Bull of Indiction of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy
The booklet (£2.50) published by the CTS is available in both churches

LAUDATO SI'

Pope Francis's eagerly awaited second encyclical letter addressed to all of humanity on environmental issues, our place in creation and responsibility towards our common home. Copies available in both churches £4.95.

Catholic Convention and Healing Service:

including Mass, inspiring talks, praise and worship, Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration and healing prayers on 11th July at The Capital FM Arena, Bolero Square, Nottingham NG1 1LA from 8am-4pm led by Fr. Xavier Khan Vattayil, Director of the Sehion Retreat Centre, India. Mass at 9.30am by Archbishop Emeritus Kevin Mc Donald. No booking required. Just turn up and join thousands of Catholics for a faith-filled enjoyable day. More information on

www.sehion.net

ST ALBAN'S HIGH SCHOOL

Congratulations to St Alban's students for their fantastic production of Les Miserables which was performed at the school last week. **It could have been on Broadway or the West End! C'était vraiment magnifique!**

Requiescat in Pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marie McLaren who died on Friday and pray also for Deacon Peter and family.

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Parish Diary this Week

Tues	10.00am	St David's: Divine Mercy Group
	11.30am	St David's: Church Cleaning
	2.00pm	Our Lady's: Social Club
Wed	10.00am	St David's: Choir Practice
	2.30pm	Our Lady's: UCM

"There are many paths of prayer. Some people follow only one, while others walk along all of them. There are moments of lively certainty: Christ is there, he is speaking inside us. In other moments he is the silent one.....For everyone prayer remains, in its infinite variations, a passageway to a life that does not come from ourselves but from somewhere else.