



## PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID

### CWMBRAN

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Tea, coffee and a chat in St Anne's room after Mass every Sunday

**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY 2016**

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**PSALTER WEEK 2**

In the East, this Season of Christmas is called the "Time of Manifestation, or Showing. Today is the Feast of the Manifestation, or the Showing of the Saviour to the whole world, to all nations. In the wise men who travel from the East, we see all the nations other than the people of Israel being welcomed at the New Temple of the New Covenant - the new born child in the manger. A look at the Psalm response shows this: "All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord." The same is true of the key word in the second reading: "Revelation: Remember that for the people of Israel this was to be their Messiah, come to restore their fortunes. By this feast, we proclaim God's plan was to extend his salvation to men and women of every nation, of every time and every place - including us. In many ways this is our Christmas Feast, when we celebrate the Good News of the Saviour's birth revealed at last to us.

#### PSALM

O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement. In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds. The Kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute. The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts. Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him. For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor.

#### PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer: Mon, Tues & Thurs 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Bridie & John Bellew (R&TH)	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b>
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Tommy Reynolds (GS)	
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Angela Hanlon Ints (CM)	
	11.15am	St David's	Tim Gorman (CB)	
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Marie McLaren (MR)	
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	The People of the Parish	
Wednesday	2.00pm	Our Lady's	Ints Dan & Mary Kiernan (S&EG)	
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	D.D. Special Ints. (PP)	
Friday	9.00am	Our Lady's	Fr Gerald Cullen (JC)	
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Tom & Doreen Probert (J&VA)	
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Christopher Drury (K&DF): The Lloyd and Williams Family (VL)	
	9.30am	Our Lady's	The People of the Parish	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>
Sunday	11.15am	St David's	Gittings and Cullen Family (JC)	

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tues: St David's  
10am – 11.30am

Fri: Our Lady's:  
9.30am-5.00pm

#### RECONCILIATION

Our Lady's

Sat 12.00-12.30pm

St David's

Sat 3.45-4.15pm

#### Catechesis

##### First Confession and Holy Communion Programme

The course commences on 11th January at 6pm in St Anne's room at Our Lady's. The first meeting is for parents only. The child must be a baptised Catholic and the parent(s) Catholics also. If you wish to enrol your child on the programme please contact Canon John after the weekend Masses. Enrolment forms should be returned to Canon John ASAP.

##### Baptism Course

The commences on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January in St Anne's room at Our Lady's at 6pm

#### FOOD BANK COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

## **A MESSAGE FROM CANON JOHN**

**On behalf of Deacon Peter and myself can I say a big thank you to the cleaners of both churches, the flower arrangers, the different Ministries of Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Welcomers and Servers and yourselves for making Christmas 2015 very special.**

**Also a big thank you to the Sacristans who made the Liturgy powerful, the Choirs as usual were very uplifting. Thanks for your generous gifts, cards and offerings.**

**On behalf of both of us "A Happy and Healthy New Year**

### **Sick List**

Please pray for the sick and housebound especially

Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Tom and Hazel McCarthy, Jean Olearczyk, Goff James, Mary Lee, Peter Lee, Mary Reilly, Bill Gale, Margaret Gallagher, Doreen Hayton, Pauline Duval, Lilian Cody, Barbara Berger, Megan Donnelly, Peggy Wickett, Kathleen Eyre, Doreen Tubb, Mieczyslan Kopec, George Powell, Trevor Jenkins, Patricia Robins, Mavis Thomas, Peggy Wells, Mel Pearce, Molly McDonald, Ian Werrett, Josie Mahoney, John James, Beryl James, Michael Williams, Rev Anthony Tumulty O.S.B. Fr Michael Cronin, Sr Thecla, Pat Mulligan, Lynda Davis, Paddy Tracey, Ann Fish, Richard Bartel, Thelma Bartel and all who care for them.

### **YEAR OF MERCY**

#### **WHICH HOLY DOOR WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO THROUGH?**

**St David's Cathedral, Cardiff** - Mother Church of the Archdiocese

**Belmont Abbey** - Home to the Benedictine Monks who played a significant role in re-establishing the Faith within this part of Wales and Herefordshire, and pro-cathedral of the Diocese of Newport and Menevia

**St. Mary's, Bridgend** - One of the first Benedictine foundations in the Diocese

**St. Mary's, Merthyr Tydfil** - One of the first Benedictine foundations in the Diocese

**St. Mary's, Newport** - Original Rosminian foundation and intended home for the Bishops of Newport

#### **Works to be performed for the Jubilee Year of Mercy Indulgence**

The requirements are as follows:

##### **For able-bodied Catholics**

Make a Pilgrimage to one of the Holy Doors within your local area (diocese), or at one of the Papal Basilicas in Rome. Crossing through the Holy Door is a spiritual journey signifying "the deep desire for true conversion".

Go to Confession.

Receive the Holy Eucharist "with a reflection of mercy".

Make a profession of faith.

Pray for the Pope and his intentions.

##### **For the elderly, the confined and the sick**

By living their trial in life in a spirit of "faith and joyful hope".

Receiving the Eucharist.

Or by attending Mass or Community Prayer "even through the various means of communication" eg. on TV, radio, Internet

**Please take home your Prayer Card for the Year of Mercy**

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