



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

1st MAY 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter (C)

Psalter Week 2

The Holy Spirit will remind you of all I have said to you.

As Eastertide unfolds, we feel the power and influence of the Spirit growing. This is the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead, and the Spirit who brings the Church to birth at Pentecost. As we journey towards Pentecost - the climax of the Easter Season - we should be considering the presence of the Spirit in the Church today: the reconciler of disputes, the solver of problems, true inspiration for the family of God on our journey to the New Jerusalem! From this side, Pentecost is about promise: the Lord at the Last Supper promises that He and the Father will be "at home" with all who keep his words - and it is the Advocate, the Holy Spirit who will remind us of these and all his words. We believe that all Scripture is "inspired" - the word of the Spirit - so as we listen or proclaim this Sunday let us look for the fulfilment of the promise made by the Lord.

PSALM

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. Let the people praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.

First Reading: Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29

Second Reading: Apoc 21: 10-14, 22-23

Gospel Reading John 14: 23-29

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer: Mon 9.40am, Thurs 9.10am Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Marie McLaren (TH): The Walker Family
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	John McAndrew (ML) 6th Sunday of Easter Year C
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Myles & Bridget Gilgunn (S&EG): Brian Draisey (RD)
	11.15am	St David's	The People of the Parish
Monday	10.00AM	Our Lady's	Ints John & Margaret Kane (J&MH) <i>St Athanasius</i>
Tuesday	9.00am	St David's	John McAndrew (ML)
	3.00pm	St David's	FUNERAL SERVICE FOR DIANE BEEKS
Wednesday	2.00pm	Our Lady's	Thanksgiving for Safe Delivery (AB)
	2.00pm	St David's	FUNERAL SERVICE FOR NATALINO ROSATO
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	May Hoar (D&MP) <i>St Asaph</i>
	11.00am	Our Lady's	FUNERAL SERVICE FOR SHIRLEY THICKINS
Friday	9.00am	Our Lady's	Ints Sheila Fotheringham (VW&RJ)
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Francesca Basini Gazzi (BG)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Maureen Michael (S&L) <u>Ascension of the Lord</u>
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Pietro Cordani (TC)
	11.15am	St David's	The People of the Parish

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be no Adoration in St David's on Tuesday 3rd May

Our Lady's
Fri 9.30 - 5pm

CONFESSIONS

Our Lady's:
Sat 12noon -12.30pm
St David's:
Sat 3.45 -415pm

FOODBANK COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: THE PEOPLE OF THE UKRAINE. POPE FRANCIS HAS MADE AN APPEAL FOR US TO HELP THE PEOPLE OF THE UKRAINE WHO ARE IN DESPERATE NEED.

From Tuesday 3rd May the Rosary will be recited after weekday Masses during the month of May

Aid the People of Ukraine

Pope Francis's has made an appeal to raise funds to aid the people of Ukraine who have suffered two years of ongoing conflict. In the interview, a high ranking leader of Ukraine's Greek Catholic Church Bishop Gudziak says, "officially, ten thousand people have been killed" since the conflict erupted between government forces and pro-Russian separatists two years ago. "Tens of thousands have been maimed or injured: without legs, without arms, without eyes – paralyzed. There are hundreds of thousands of people with post-traumatic shock and 2.5 million people had to leave their homes because five million people were directly affected by the war," he adds. He goes on to say that half a million people have left Ukraine and two million are internally displaced persons. It is always important to help those who are poor and suffering. And this collection will do that, and of course, asking everybody to pray is very important because we know that prayer moves mountains.

Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid: £428.00
Non Gift Aid: £711.73
Gift Aid Standing Order £148.96
Total giving this week £1288.69
Mass Count: 436

Sick List

Please pray for the sick and housebound especially Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Tom and Hazel McCarthy, John Kane, 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, Mieczyslan Kopec, George Powell, Trevor Jenkins, Patricia Robins, Mavis Thomas, Mel Pearce, Francis Connelly, Molly McDonald, Ian Werrett, Josie Mahoney, John and Beryl James, Michael Williams, Pat Mulligan, Violet Thomas, Frances Brown, Rev Anthony Tumulty O.S.B. Fr Michael Cronin, Betty Lake, Mike Wickett, Derek Miller and all who care for them.

Baptism Course

The Baptism course continues on Wednesday 4th May at 6pm in St Anne's room, Our Lady's Church

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation will be celebrated in the parish on Thursday 7th July 2016. Candidates for confirmation should be year 8 (12) or older. Classes continue in Our Lady's Church at 6pm on Tuesday 3rd May

Church Cleaning at Our Lady's

Can you spare an hour fortnightly to help with the cleaning of the church? Next cleaning day is Wednesday, 4th May at 9am

UCM

The UCM are holding a Coffee Afternoon and Flower Arranging with an opportunity to purchase on Wednesday 11th May at 2.30pm in St Anne's room at Our Lady's. Tickets are £2.50 and will be on sale from this weekend. Everyone Welcome.

" Call on Mary with devotion, and she will not leave your needs unattended, since she is merciful, indeed, the Mother of mercy"

St Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153)

SPUC PRO-LIFE CHAIN

Will take place on Saturday 7th May on Cwmbran Drive (behind Sainsbury's) from 11am -1pm. Please come and support this event.

Belmont Abbey

Torchlight Procession in honour of Our Lady

On Wednesday 11th May 2016 starting at 9pm. See poster for details

Prayer Pilgrimage

This week we remember the parishioners of Saint Illtyd, Dowlais, their priest Revd. Barry English and Revd. Deacon Garth Tasker, Bishop Hedley High School (Chaplain: Revd. Barry English) and the Convent of the Missionaries of Charity

Holy Family RC Church

Holy Family RC Church invites you to an evening of devotion to the Holy Spirit. Date: 10th May from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Church address: Keyston Road, Fairwater, Cardiff CF5 3NP Songs of praise, Word of God, prayers & laying of hands for those who wish it. For details contact: Deirdre - 01446 793224.

Ambassadors of Mercy

"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God" (2Cor 5:20).

St Paul saw himself as an ambassador for Christ and so should we. Historically ambassadors were diplomats who represented their king or country. We are sent out by the King of Kings to be his ambassadors in our families, our parishes, our workplaces and the world at large. In this Holy Year of Mercy we are ambassadors of God's mercy carrying that message to others in His name!

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