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**Tea, coffee & a chat in St Anne's Room after Mass every Sunday**

29th January 2017

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**

Psalter Week 4

Last week we heard Saint Matthew describing the beginnings of Jesus' public ministry. This week Saint Matthew begins the most important summary of the proclamation of the kingdom of God – what we refer to as the "Sermon on the Mount." This great collection of Jesus' teachings begins with the Beatitudes – the Charter of the Kingdom. It is essential to understand these, if we are to understand what we will read in Saint Matthew during the rest of this year: the key, as underlined by the First Reading, is that the values of this world are not the values of the Kingdom of God – the Kingdom will see things turned upside down: happiness and blessing belong to those whom this world would ignore or mistreat. If we truly wish to live out the Gospel, we would do well to reflect on the virtues laid out in this familiar passage.

**PSALM**

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed.  
It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free.  
It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down,  
the Lord, who protects the stranger and upholds the widow and orphan.  
It is the Lord who loves the just but thwarts the path of the wicked.  
The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.

**First Reading: Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13**

**Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:26-31**

**Gospel: Mathew 5:1-12**

**PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

**Morning Prayer: Mon, Tues & Wed at 9.10am**

**Evening Prayer: Fri at 4.40pm**

<b>Saturday</b>	4.30pm	St David's	Veronica & Malcom Southwood(LR): Ints Richard Bartell (AR)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	George Whitfield (KS)
<b>Sunday</b>	9.30am	Our Lady's	Tom & Annie Pinkie & Pat King (AB): Ints Burnett Family (AB)
	11.15am	St David's	Tony Webb (J&HG)
<b>Monday</b>	9.30am	Our Lady's	Charles Cadogan (JC):
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	St David's	Luigi & Brice Bragazza (MB) : Ints Sr Philamena (sick) (AW)
<b>Wednesday</b>	11.00am	Our Lady's	The People of the Parish
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Our Lady's</b>	<b>FUNERAL MASS FOR BRIDIE RAINSFORD</b>
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am	Our Lady's	Phillips Richard (TS): Ida Lanza (M&VN) St Blaise, Bishop
<b>Saturday</b>	4.30pm	St David's	Michael & Mary Martin : John Spencer (DS)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Michael Kopec (SK)
<b>Sunday</b>	9.30am	Our Lady's	William Southworth (TBHK): Lucjan Kopec (BK)
	11.15am	St David's	The People of the Parish

**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**

**Sacrament of Baptism**

We welcome into our Parish Family Ffion Irene Whitcut (9.30), Darcy Etheridge (11.15), Caitlin Louise Wright, Caiden Stephen Wright and Evie Mary Worsfold (4pm). We congratulate their parents as the children begin their Faith journey

**First Reconciliation**

The first class for parents and children will take place on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2017 in St Anne's Room at Our Lady of the Angels Church at 5.30pm. Enrolment forms are available from the parish.

**Thank you for your kind and generous support to our Parish and community**

Gift Aid:	£402.50
Non Gift Aid:	£650.25
Gift Aid Standing Order:	£184.73
Total giving:	£ 1,237.48
Mass Count :	425
White Flower Collection	£756.44
Crib Offering	£448.22

**Sick List**

**Please pray for the sick and housebound especially**

Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Tom and Hazel McCarthy, John Kane, Mary Lee, Jean Olearczyk, Goff & Rose James, Mary Reilly, Bill Gale, Margaret Gallagher, Doreen Hayton, Pauline Duval, Barbara Berger, Megan Donnelly, Peggy Wickett, Kathleen Eyre, George Powell, Trevor Jenkins, Patricia Robins, Mavis Thomas, Mel Pearce, Ian Werrett, Michael Williams, Pat Mulligan, Violet Thomas, Frances Brown, Rev Anthony Tumulty O.S.B. Fr Michael Cronin, Betty Lake, Derek Miller, John Rainsford, Sean Gilgunn, Barbara Pold, Eileen Dickens, Anne Savoury, Mary Ralph, Pat Parfitt, Sr Celsus, Carolyn Gallagher & all who care for them.

**Requiescant in Pace**

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Bridie Rainsford and Rosemary Watkins who died this week. We offer our condolences to their families.

**Marriage Preparation Facilitators needed**

Drawing on Catholic Christian tradition and contemporary research, Marriage Care is a faith-based organisation supporting couples through good times and bad. We provide marriage preparation & relationship counselling and are looking for volunteers to join our friendly team in Newport preparing couples for the Sacrament of Marriage at preparation days for small groups of engaged couples (training is provided). For more information or to apply, visit: [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk) or email [volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk)

**PARISH MASS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Mass for the Sick will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Angels Church at 2pm on Friday 10th February. Everyone is invited especially the housebound and sick. Transport will be arranged for those who need it. Light refreshments will be served in St Anne's room after the Mass. (N.B. There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Our Lady's on this Friday)

**Unity Service Last Week**

A big thank you to everyone who came to the Unity Service last Sunday, those who helped with the music, refreshments and liturgy. Our special thanks go to the Cwmbran Council of Churches, who were given a warm welcome in our Parish. Canon John

**Celebrate Wales conference**

We are holding a 'Taste of Celebrate' night on Sunday 12th Feb for those who would like to find out more about the Celebrate Wales conference (which will be held at St David's College on 29th and 30th April.) Starting at 7.30pm, we will have worship, a short talk from a guest speaker, testimonials about Celebrate and more! There will be coffee, cake and chat at the end. This free event is the perfect opportunity to experience a taste of Celebrate, the Catholic Charismatic conference for all the family.

**'Do You Love Me?'**

In 2014, the Bishops of England & Wales issued a book of spiritual reflections, entitled, "Do You Love Me?", an invitation to explore different kinds of prayer. One of the authors, Kathryn Turner, will be visiting the Archdiocese of Cardiff on February 3rd & 4th to offer advice on how the book can be used to deepen our prayer. The Abergavenny event (3rd) also includes recent research on committed Catholics with suggestions on shaping our support for young people. The Cardiff event (4th) includes an invitation to everyone offering spiritual activities in the Archdiocese to share what they do; you will be most welcome. This event will take place at the **Pastoral Resources Centre**. To book and for more info contact Madeline ([madeline.page@rcadc.org](mailto:madeline.page@rcadc.org) / 029 2036 5965) or go to [www.rcadc.org/do-you-love-me/](http://www.rcadc.org/do-you-love-me/).

**New S.V.P Charity Shop – 56 Commercial St, Newport**

A charity shop for the S.V.P. is now open and any donations of clothing (especially men's) would be gratefully received. If you are unable to bring donations to the store you can bring donations to weekend masses and leave items in St Non's or St Anne's room where they will be collected and taken to the shop

**Richmond Road Baptist Church**

Ladies Fellowship Anniversary Service on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 3pm, followed by their anniversary tea

**Thank You to the U.C.M.**

A big thank you to the Parish UCM for their generous donation of £2000 and thank you to the parishioners who support the fundraising events of the UCM

**Flower Arrangers (OLA)**

Are you interested in flower arranging for Our Lady of the Angels? If you would like to help, training can be given. We are a few ladies who need younger blood to help us!

**Our Lady of the Angels Church Kitchen**

Please collect any left items from the kitchen as unclaimed items will be discarded.

**St David's Church:**

The weekly raffle will re-start on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February