



PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID  
CWMBRAN  
(Registered Charity No. 242380)

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

12<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2017  
Psalter Week 2

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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**

*"You have learnt how it was said to your ancestors; but I say this to you."*

Back in the 60s some groups adopted "Jesus Christ as an icon of rebellion, overturning authority and tearing up the rule book, possibly because of the frequent confrontations between Our Lord and the Pharisees. Today's Gospel, however, shows us Jesus not as rule-breaker, but as rule-fulfiller, bringing an even greater depth to the rule that had guided the people of Israel for centuries. Jesus does not throw out the rulebook – or as the first reading says, He does not command us to be godless! He challenges us in this Gospel to see how far our keeping God's Law will go: will it just be about the letter of the Law ("I have never killed anyone"), or will it look deeper ("Have I ever been angry? Have I been violent in my thoughts?"). The challenge of the Kingdom of Heaven is to keep the commandments first and foremost from within, so that our outward behaviour conforms to the requirements of God's Law.

**PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

Morning Prayer: Tues, Thurs & Fri at 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Tom & Doreen Probert (J&VA): Deceased Hurley & Bown Family (TH)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Kathleen & Patsy Melody (D O'B) <b>6th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Fred & Violet Faulkner (PT): John Burnett (AB)
	11.15am	St David's	Edward Scott (C&GB): Tom & Eileen Flemming (K&JD)
Monday	<b>12.15pm</b>	<b>Our Lady's</b>	<b>Funeral Mass for Peggy Wells</b>
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Eucharistic Service <i>St Cyril, Monk &amp; St Methodius, Bishop</i>
Wednesday	11.00am	Our Lady's	Eucharistic Service
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Eucharistic Service
Friday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Eucharistic Service <i>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</i>
	<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Crematorium</b>	<b>Funeral Service for Edward John Brown</b>
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Francis Connelly (OW): Ken Neilson (TH)
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Sr Rosalie Morrissey (B&JS) <b>7th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Christopher Corner (A&MC) : Kathleen Sheehy (PP)
	11.15am	St David's	Mary, Brid & Fred Strutt (MM)

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

St David's Tuesday 10am- 11.30am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

There will be no confessions in either church on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February

**PAC MEETING ON THURSDAY 16<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY AT 7pm IN ST ANNE'S ROOM**

**Your giving to your Parish: many thanks**

Gift Aid: £ 307.00  
Non Gift Aid: £ 669.82  
Gift Aid Standing Order £184.73  
Total giving this week £1161.55  
Mass Count: 437

**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, Peggy Wickett, Kathleen Eyre, George Powell, Trevor Jenkins, Patricia Robins, Mavis Thomas, Mel Pearce, Ian Werrett, 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, Christopher Mucahy, Bernard Lanigan, & all who care for them.

**CATECHESIS**

**First Reconciliation**

The course continues on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 5.30pm in St Anne's room.

**RCIA Course**

The course continues on Wednesdays at 7pm in St Anne's room.

**Children's Liturgy**

Sunday 9.30am at Our Lady's & 11.15am at St David's

**Ministry of Funerals**

Thank you to the volunteers who came forward to train for this Ministry.

**What's on This Week**

Mon	5.30pm	OLA	1 <sup>st</sup> Communion Class
Tues	10am	St David's	Divine Mercy Group
	2pm	OLA	Social Club
Wed	11am	OLA	UCM Meeting
	7pm	OLA	RCIA Course
Thurs	7pm	OLA	PAC Meeting

**TY CROESO CENTRE**

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March : Lenten Reflection Day led by the Ty Croeso team. 10.00 - 3.30 pm. £10.

Tea and coffee provided. Phone: 01633 867317 to secure a place.

**Celebrate Wales conference**

We are holding a 'Taste of Celebrate' night on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February in Christ the King Church, Cardiff, for those who would like to find out more about the Celebrate Wales conference (which will be held at St David's College on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

**LENT 2017**

**Ash Wednesday** this year falls on 1 March. This means **the feast of St. David** will be celebrated in the Diocese on **28 February**.

**3<sup>rd</sup> March – 7<sup>th</sup> April:** Lenten Talks and soup lunch at the Salvation Army. Soup served from 12noon -1.15pm

**3<sup>rd</sup> March: Women's World Day of Prayer** at Holy Trinity Church, Pontnewydd at 7pm

**10<sup>th</sup> March: CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY**

**An appeal**

The Foodbank at Cwmbran Salvation Army needs more volunteers urgently. We are open each Wednesday afternoon between 1pm and 4pm, Can you help? Your commitment would be for approximately 3 hours a month to assist in this much needed work. If you feel you could help, please contact us at the Salvation Army (01633 484324) [stuart.ashman@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:stuart.ashman@salvationarmy.org.uk) as soon as you can.

**Familias Friends' Events 2017**

**The Joy of Love**

*The Challenge of Amoris Laetitia in the Home, Parish and School.*

Fr Chris Thomas will offer an introduction to Amoris Laetitia Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation on marriage and the family as an aid to reflection, dialogue and pastoral practice through the lens of the home, parish, and school partnership.

Entry: £10 for FAMILIAS Members, Associates and Friends; £20 for all others. Booking is essential: please contact Joanne White Tel: 02920 365964 or email: [parenting@rcadc.org](mailto:parenting@rcadc.org)

**40 Days For Life (SPUC)**

A 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil will be taking place in St Mary's Street in Cardiff on 1<sup>st</sup> March until 9<sup>th</sup> April. Please see posters for further information and contact details.