



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

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

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19th March 2017 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A Psalter Week 3

A spring of water welling up to eternal life

The Gospel of the third Sunday is the remarkable conversation between Jesus and the Samaritan woman by the well, the theme is water - which gives life, which cleanses, which is so necessary. This reading forms part of the catechesis given before Baptism at Easter: the candidates who would go into the water are invited to reflect on what that means. But more necessary than the water which gives life is the water which gives eternal life - the water of baptism, the water flowing from Jesus' side on the cross. Even if your Church does not have any candidates preparing for Baptism, we will all renew our baptismal promises at Easter: we should take this opportunity to reflect on what baptism has given us, and what God has done for us in this gift.

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri at 9.10am Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

				3 rd Sunday of Lent
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Marian & Gerard Rosser (P&ML)	
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	The People of the Parish	
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Barbara Stephens (SA): Fr Rutko & Ron Fisher (SF)	
	11.15am	St David's	Robert Peacock (MP)	
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Li Alexander (BH): Tom Jones (CB)	<i>St Joseph, spouse of BVM</i>
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Toy Webb (S&RM)	
Wednesday	11.00am	Our Lady's	Enzo and Angela Italiano (TS): Ints Angela Hanlon (UR)	
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Jim and Fay Desmond (VW)	
Friday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Donald Royston Gravenor (NT)	
Saturday	1.30pm	St David's	Marriage of Michael Thomas Rewaj and Gemma Horsell	
	4.30pm	St David's	Rose and Herbert Williams (JK): John Bellew (TH)	
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Danny Harrington (SC) : Elizabeth Murray (GS)	
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Rose and Jack Clifford(MW): Bridie Rainsford (S&EG)	
	11.15am	St David's	Anthony Webb (MP)	

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St David's: Tuesday 10am-11.30am
Our Lady's: Friday 10.30am-5.00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

There will be no confessions in either
Church on Saturday 25th March

Stations of the Cross

Our Lady's: Friday after Mass
St David's: Thursday after Mass

Lenten Talks from 6th March 2017
Mondays at 2.30pm in St Anne's room

CAFOD COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous response to this appeal. The total to date is £1869.73

Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid: £377.00
Non Gift Aid: £672.33
Gift Aid Standing Order £168.13
Total giving this week £1217.46
CAFOD LENT £1869.73
Mass Count: 435

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 Mulcahy, Bernard Lanigan, Sr Mary James, Jean Crowley, Angela Hanlon, Pat Henderson & all who care for them.

CATECHESIS

First Holy Communion

The first meeting takes place on **Monday 27th March at 5.30pm** in St Anne's room for parents and children

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation will be celebrated in the parish on Sunday **11th June 2017 at 9.30am in Our Lady's**. Candidates for confirmation should be year 8 (12) or older. There will be a meeting for candidates and their parents on **Tuesday 21st March at 6pm** in Our Lady's Church.

RCIA Course

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

Children's Liturgy

OLA 9.30 Mass and St David's 11.15am Mass

What's on This Week

Mon	2.30pm	OLA	Lenten Talk
Tues	10am	St David's	Divine Mercy Group
	2pm	OLA	Social Club
Wed	7pm	OLA	RCIA Course
Thurs	10am	St David's	Stations of the Cross
Friday	10am	OLA	Stations of the Cross

Parish Pilgrimage 2018/19

There will be a meeting on Thursday 23rd March at 7.30pm in St Anne's room to select a destination.

Prayer

Almighty God, you entrusted to the faithful care of Joseph the beginnings of the mysteries of man's salvation. Through his intercession may your Church always be faithful in her service so that Your designs will be fulfilled. Amen

LENT 2017

Monday 20th March at 2.30pm in St Anne's Room

Lenten Talks with Sr Bridget SSJ
3rd March – 7th April: Lenten Talks and soup lunch every Friday at the Salvation Army. Soup served from 12noon - 1.15pm

SVP

Your SVP is organising a performance by Our Lady's Junior School children of the passion play 'The way of the Cross' followed by light refreshments. The performance is being provided for the sick & elderly of the Our lady's & St. David's parish. It is proposed to be held at Our Lady's church hall on Thursday 6th April 2017 commencing at 2pm In order for the performance to go ahead the SVP need to establish definite numbers of those attending. Please add your name and any one you will be taken to the list at the rear of the church. Closing date Sunday 26th March. If there is insufficient interest, the performance will not go ahead. Please remember to invite your sick or elderly neighbours.

SVP Shop Newport

Volunteers urgently required to help at the St Vincent Community Shop, Commercial Road, Newport. Even if you can only spend a couple of hours a week this would be really useful. Various jobs required to be undertaken including- sorting stock, steaming clothes and assisting in the shop. Please contact the shop directly on 01633 843550 and request to speak with the duty manager. Thank you for your support.

Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

We congratulate Gemma Horsell and Michael Thomas Rewaj who are celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony at 1.30pm on Saturday 25th March in St David's Church. We wish them every health and blessing for their future.

Annual Welsh National Pilgrimage to Lourdes 23rd July -29th July 2017

The pilgrimage is led by Archbishop George Stack and Bishop Tom Burns. Join us in this special place where Our Lady appeared to St Bernadette. A place of healing and strength for all who visit. Cost £599 See poster on the notice board for further details or contact Fr Kevin Paine 01495 243304

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham 9th October -12th October 2017

Monday to Thursday cost £230. Forms are available in the church porches.

P.S.

Clocks go forward for the start of British Summer Time Next weekend.