



**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*

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7th May 2017

***4th SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE YEAR A
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY***

Psalter Week 4

This Sunday is traditionally called 'Good Shepherd Sunday, because of the Gospel references to Jesus as the Good Shepherd. It is also the day of prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood. On this Sunday we hear one of the great 'I am' statements of Jesus from Saint John's Gospel today 'I am the gate of the sheepfold. Through Jesus we enter into life and safety, and we 'go through Jesus, the gate' by baptism. This image is implied in all today's readings: the people listening to Peter find this gateway and enter through it: Peter writes to remind us that we have come back to the Good Shepherd, who heals us by his wounds.

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR EASTERTIDE

Morning Prayers: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9.10am

Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm

Rosary: After Mass except for Wednesday. Wednesday 10.40am

Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Olive Menday	
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Seamus Scully (GS)	4 th Sunday of Eastertide
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Tom Saulters (GS)	
	11.15am	St David's	The People of the Parish	
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Eucharistic Service	
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	Eucharistic Service	
Wednesday	11.00am	Our Lady's	Eucharistic Service	
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Eucharistic Service	
Friday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Eucharistic Service	
Saturday	4.30pm	St David's	Sue Jenkins (PJ)	
	6.00pm	Our Lady's	Bridie Rainsford (MBM)	5 th Sunday of Eastertide
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Tranquillo Tombini (TC)	
	11.15am	St David's	Denis Donoghue (VD)	

***Exposition of
the Blessed
Sacrament***

St David's: Tuesday
10am-11.30am

Our Lady's: Friday
10.00am-5.00pm

***Sacrament of
Reconciliation***

There will be no
confessions in either
church on Saturday
13th May 2017

Vocations Sunday

We extend a welcome to Deacon Peter who will give a homily on Vocations. **Today's the second collection will be for the Priests' Training Fund**

***Confirmation Programme: Rite of
Enrolment***

The Rite of Enrolment for the Candidates who are being confirmed will take place today at the 9.30am Mass.

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

Gift Aid:	£420.00
Non Gift Aid:	£691.82
Gift Aid Standing Order	£168.13
Total giving this week	£1279.94
Mass Count:	412

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, 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, Gerry Scully, Tom McCarthy, Lilian Whatley Robert Davies, John Martin, Eileen Tolan, Nora McDonald, Ann Pitchforth, Phyllis and Reg Whatley, Phoebe Dunn and all who care for them.

CATECHESIS

First Holy Communion

Class on **Monday 8th May at 5.30pm** in St Anne's room for children. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on **Saturday 20th May at 10am** in Our Lady's.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation class on **Tuesday 9th May at 6pm** in Our Lady's Church.

Confirmation will be celebrated in the parish on **Sunday 11th June 2017 at 9.30am in Our Lady's Archbishop George Stack will be the main celebrant, please make a note of this date and let's make it a parish celebration.**

Please pray for all our young people.

Prayer for Vocations

Loving Father,
touch and transform us by the joy of your love.
Make us missionary disciples, empowered
to carry the love of Christ to our neighbour.
May young people be inspired by our example
to take up the path of Christian discipleship
and dedicate their lives
to the service of the Gospel.
Raise up new vocations by the power of your
Holy Spirit to the priesthood
and the consecrated life:
send us men and women,
inspired to be living signs of your mercy.
Grant us all an openness of heart,
that we might readily respond to your call,
and proclaim with joy
the Good News to the whole world.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

***Parish Pilgrimage:
Poland,
Autumn half-term 2018***

Poland would be our next Pilgrimage destination.

Please give your name ASAP to Carole Morgan
07925813174 or contact the Parish Office on
01633 482346 (Mon, Wed and Fri)
or email cwmbranadmin@virginmedia.com

***Belmont Abbey:
Torchlight Procession in Honour of
Our Lady***

The Procession will take place on **Wednesday 10th May 2017 at 9pm**. Please put your name and contact number on the list in the church porch.

***The Society for the Protection of
Unborn Children (SPUC)***

SPUC is organising meetings touring England and Wales on the 50th Anniversary of legalised abortion, all concerned people are welcome to attend. A meeting will take place locally at St Patrick's Church hall, Cromwell Road, Newport, Thursday 11th May at 7pm. Contact Norman Plaisted on 01633 660099 for further information.

SPUC Pro-life Chain

SPUC will be holding their pro-life chain on **27th May** on Cwmbran Drive (behind Sainsbury's) between **11am and 1pm**. We would be very grateful if you could support us on this day. For any more details please contact Molly 01495 758284 or Lorraine 01495 763647 Thank you.

Red Mission Boxes

These are now due to be emptied. If you can, please bring into Church over the next 2 weeks. Contact for St David's – Suzanne Spiteri / Our Lady's – Mrs Rita Draisey.

***Celebrating 150years
Relive Your Childhood***

Relive your childhood and celebrate our 150th Anniversary with a school dinner and entertainment at Our Lady's School Hall on Friday 12th May 2017 at 7pm. Please feel free to bring your own drinks. Tickets are £3 and will be on sale after the weekend Masses and from the School. If anyone has any old Our Lady of the Angels school photos 1900 – 1950 please could the school have a copy or borrow them.

Deacon Peter's Ordination

Lists are in both churches for parishioner to sign if they want to reserve a seat on the coach to attend the Ordination on Saturday 29th July 2017 in the Cathedral.