



**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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15<sup>th</sup> October 2017    28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A  
*Psalter Week 4*

**"Invite everyone you can find to the wedding."**

The Church's year is drawing to a close: in a few weeks we will be thinking very clearly about the end of time - but here we have a preview. The parable of the banquet is a link between the Gospels of recent weeks (which have as their theme: 'Just who is going to be saved?') and the looking forward to the end times which will follow. The big danger is complacency: we are baptised, we go to Church, we've got our invites to the wedding. But when the big day comes, will we be ready for it? Or will our thoughts be on the other things of life? Jesus speaks of himself as the Bridegroom, and today points out to the chosen people that they are in danger of missing the celebration. Our faith is that the Bridegroom will come again; let us be careful that the same parable is not addressed to us.

***PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK***

Morning Prayers: Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 9.10am, Sat 9.40am      Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm  
Rosary: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat after Mass: Wed BEFORE Mass      Divine Mercy Devotions: Fri 3pm (OLA)

Saturday	5.00pm	St David's	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Sheila Lloyd (VL): Bryan Kennedy (JK)
	11.15am	St David's	Paul Roberts (UR)
Monday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Louise Slade-Shorthouse (G&CB): Joe Mulgrew (JPH&JS)
Tuesday	9.30am	St David's	The People of the Parish <i>St Richard Gwyn</i>
Wednesday	10.00am	Our Lady's	Gordon Worsfold (SW): John McGuire (BB) <i>St Ignatius of Antioch</i>
Thursday	9.30am	St David's	Well-being of Peter Bracchi (RD) <i>St Luke, Evangelist</i>
Friday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Bert Rabaioitti
Saturday	10.00am	Our Lady's	Ints Sr Teresa Carmel (PP)
			World Peace (RN) <i>Votive Memorial of Our Lady</i>
Saturday	5.00pm	St David's	29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Well-being of Sam Spokes (PL&MA)
	11.15am	St David's	Pat King & Tom & Annie Pinkey (AB)
			The People of the Parish

<b><i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i></b>	<b><i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i></b>
St David's: Tuesday 10am-11.30am	Our Lady's: 11am-11.30am
Our Lady's: Friday 8.00am -5.00pm	St David's: 4.15pm-4.45pm

***UCM Coffee Morning***

The UCM are holding a Coffee Morning on **Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> October at 11am** in St Anne's room in aid of The Cancer Charity for Children and Young People. There will also be a short film and a talk by Paddy Landers on the history of the Church in Cwmbran. Tickets are £3 and will be on sale this weekend, or you can pay on the day.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (22<sup>nd</sup> October)  
SECOND COLLECTION NEXT IS FOR MISSIO**

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

Gift Aid: £392.90  
Non Gift Aid: £584.06  
Gift Aid Standing Order: £198.13  
Total giving this week: £1175.09  
Mass Count: 412  
CAFOD Harvest Appeal: £727.81

***Sick List***

Please pray for the sick and housebound especially Mostyn Crowley, Joyce Thomas, Hazel McCarthy, John Kane, Mary Lee, Jean Olearczyk, Goff & Rose James, Mary Reilly, Bill Gale, Pauline Duval, Barbara Berger, George Powell, Trevor Jenkins, Mavis Thomas, Joan Lawrence, Mel Pearce, Ian Werrett, Pat Mulligan, Violet Thomas, Frances Brown, Fr Michael Cronin, Derek Miller, John Rainsford, Sean Gilgunn, Barbara Pold, Eileen Dickens, Anne Savoury, Pat Parfitt, Sr Celsus, Carolyn Gallagher, Christopher Mulcahy, Sr Mary James, Angela Hanlon, Gerry Scully, Lilian Whatley, Robert Davies, John Martin, Nora MacDonnell, Ann Pitchforth, Phyllis & Reg Whatley, Phoebe Dunn, Sabina Fisher, John & Beryl James, Luke Smith, Becky James, Sophie Weightman, Kay Donavon, Joan Sweeney, Joyce & Jim Sheehy, Sam Spokes, John Adams, Helen Crowley, Brian Gingell, Stella Bradley and all who care for them.

**Interested in Becoming a Catholic?**

**RCIA Course**

The RCIA course continues in St Anne's room on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm – 8.30pm.**

**REINSTATEMENT OF HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION**

The Holy See has confirmed the decision of the Bishops Conference of England and Wales to reinstate two of the Holy Days of Obligation which had been transferred to the nearest Sundays in 2006. The two feasts are the Epiphany of the Lord on 6 January and the Ascension of the Lord, 40 days after the celebration of Easter. These feasts are intimately linked in biblical, liturgical and theological ways to the Mystery of Faith celebrated at Easter and Christmas. The reinstatement will take place on the First Sunday of Advent 2017, the beginning of the Church's year which occurs on 3 December 2017. The decree from the Holy See and the letter of the Bishops of England and Wales may be found on the website of the Archdiocese of Cardiff.

**Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy**

Mass for the repose of the souls of deceased clergy will be celebrated at **12.45** in the Cathedral on **Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November.**

**Proclaim '17 - Archdiocese of Cardiff  
Evangelisation Conference**

**Saturday 21st October, St David's College, Cardiff**  
Come and be equipped to share the Gospel! This conference will give you practical steps forward in pursuing the Church's mission - to make disciples of all nations. With wonderful speakers from across the UK it really is an event not to miss! To book and for further information please go to [www.tinyurl.com/cardiffproclaim](http://www.tinyurl.com/cardiffproclaim).

**Cytûn's national commemoration service  
of the 500th anniversary of the  
Reformation.**

Cytûn's national commemoration service of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, which is being held at St David's Metropolitan Cathedral in Cardiff, led by Archbishop Stack, on **Tuesday 31 October 2017 at 11.00.** The service is open to all but the refreshments, at 12.00, and lecture, at 14.00, both in Cornerstone, are by ticket only (for catering purposes), which are freely available from the Cytûn office. See poster for details.

**World Mission Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October**

World Mission Sunday is celebrated in every parish throughout the world. It is a great opportunity to express solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are living in situations of poverty, violence and oppression. Missio, the Holy Father's charity for overseas mission, helps the churches too poor or too young to support themselves. What you give in the special collection next week will make a difference to people in places like South Sudan. **Please help give peace a chance.**

**SPUC**

**On 27/28 October 2017 SPUC is holding a Mass Constituency-based Lobby to oppose decriminalising abortion.** At SPUC we really care about women, which is why we are campaigning against any moves in Parliament to decriminalise abortion. Removing all legal restrictions on abortion will leave women even more vulnerable to the unscrupulous abortion industry at work in our country. **Please lobby your MP on 27/28 October 2017 to ask him to oppose any move to decriminalise abortion.**

