

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID **CWMBRAN**

(Registered Charity No. 242380)

9.30am We welcome into our **Parish Family Pippa** Rose Dymond, and we congratulate her parents as she begins

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12th November 2017 32nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A Psalter Week 4 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him

Watch early for wisdom": wise words, and ones that the foolish bridesmaids of the Gospel should have taken to heart. This is the ultimate in 'putting off till tomorrow...', since the reading is about the end of time, when the Son of Man will come again. Then there will be no tomorrow. If a thing is worth doing, it's worth doing today. Quite often we contemplate the end of time with anxiety and fear: this is not what God wants. Look at the Psalm, where we hear of desperate longing, a thirst for the Lord, that cannot wait. We should not just wait for the Lord with patient endurance, but with impatient longing: what could we desire more than the coming of the Lord, the rising of the dead and an eternity of joy and glory?

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Morning Prayers: Mon, Tues & Thurs 9.10am Sat 9.40am Evening Prayer: Fri 4 40nm

Divine Mercy Devotions: Fri 3pm (OLA)

| Evening Prayer: Fri 4.40pm | | | | |
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| | | | 32 nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A | |
| Saturday | 5.00pm | St David's | The People of the Parish | |
| Sunday | 9.30am | Our Lady's | Michael and Diane Kopec (SK) | |
| | 11.15am | St David's | For the Dead of War | |
| Monday | 9.30am | Our Lady's | John McGuire (GS) | |
| Tuesday | 9.30am | Our Lady's | Holy Souls | St Dyfrig, Bishop |
| Wednesday | 11.00am | Our Lady's | Peter Bracchi (Srs NL) | |
| | 7.00pm | Our Lady's | Service of Memories | |
| Thursday | 9.30am | St David's | Sarah Williams (SH) | |
| | <u>1.00pm</u> | St David's | Funeral Service for Gwyn Roberts-Jon | es |
| Friday | 9.00am | Our Lady's | Holy Souls | St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious |
| | <u>10.00am</u> | Crematorium | Funeral Service for Violet Dowen | |
| Saturday | 10.00am | Our Lady's | Private Intention | |
| | | | 33 rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A | |
| Saturday | 5.00pm | St David's | Joe Lynch and Eamon Family | |
| | 9.30am | Our Lady's | The People of the Parish | |
| Sunday | 11.15am | St David's | Bradley & Britton Family (SB) | |

Exposition of the Sacrament of Blessed Reconciliation Sacrament St David's: Tuesday Our Lady's: 11am-11.30am 10.00am-11.30am Our Lady's: Friday St David's: 4.15pm-4.45pm 8.00am -5.00pm

Year 5 On Wednesday Year 5 from Our Lady's School will be ioining us for Mass at 11am

Wednesday 15th November at 7pm: Service of Memories

We remember especially at this service our parishioners who have died during the past year. If you are a parishioner who has suffered from a bereavement in the past 12 months and the deceased lives outside of the parish please give their names to the parish office (01633 482346) or email cwmbranadmin@virginmedia.com Everyone welcome

Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid: £343.90 £630.01 Non Gift Aid: £198.13 Gift Aid Standing Order: Total giving this week : £1172.04 Mass Count: 402

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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, Robert Davies, John Martin, Nora MacDonnell, Ann Pitchforth, Phyllis & Reg Whatley, Phoebe Dunn, Sabina Fisher, John & Beryl James, Luke Smith, Becky James, Kay Donavon, Joan Sweeney, Joyce & Jim Sheehy, Sam Spokes, John Adams, Helen Crowley, Brian Gingell, Stella Bradley, Meryl Davies and all who care for them.

RCIA Course

The RCIA course continues in St Anne's room on Monday 13th November from 7pm – 8.30pm.

Baptísm Course

The course commences on **Tuesday 14**th November in St Anne's room at Our Lady's at 6pm

Prayer Group

You are invited to St Anne's room on Wednesday 15th November at 7.30pm for the weekly prayer meeting. Please bring a bible.

Famíly Group Event

The next family group event will be a board games evening with a shared supper on Friday 17th November 2017 at 7pm in St Anne's Room.

UCM Chrístmas Draw

First prize: £100 Second prize: Hamper Third prize: Christmas Cake and many other prizes Tickets will be on sale weekending11/12th November

Friends of St David Lewis

The 9th Annual Spreading of Soil Service will be Celebrated at the Holy Shrine (The Old Post office) Llantarnam. Saturday 18th November 2017 at Approximately 2:00 PM.

The Torfaen Food Bank again wish to thank our parish for our loyal and continued support throughout the year, and in particular for the large stock of food and very generous cash donations this month. Obviously they are under extra pressure over the Christmas season so please be as generous as you can next month when the collection will be on the weekend of the 2nd-3rd December. Also they are organising a collection at Tesco in Pontypool on Thurs 30th Nov, Fri 1st December and Sat 2nd Dec, and they need volunteers to give out leaflets to shoppers as they enter the store which explain their work and ask for items of food to be donated at the end of their shopping. The three days are divided into 2hour sessions through the day from 9am to 5pm. If you think you would like to help with this, or simply want more information please contact John Dennehy in the next week or so. 01633 860037, 07598 743731, jonden1@yahoo.co.uk

World Day of the Poor Sunday 19th November 2017

In his letter to the Catholic Church Pope Francis proposed a more radical approach to the poor who he defined as including migrants, the homeless, people with disabilities and the isolated. His call is for us to go beyond charitable giving, important though it is, and listen to the voice of the poor. "We are called to draw near to the poor, to encounter them, to meet their gaze, to embrace them and to let them feel the warmth of love that breaks through their solitude. Their outstretched hand is also an invitation to step out of our certainties and comforts, and to acknowledge the value of poverty in itself. (Pope Francis Letter)

Aid to the Church in Need

Dee Thomas from Aid to the Church in Need will be speaking at both Masses on Sunday November 19th. There will be an opportunity to purchase Christmas cards, prayer cards, Children's Bibles, books, rosaries and religious artefacts. More information may be found on the website: www.acnuk.org

SVP OVER 60'S CHRISTMAS BUFFET LUNCH

Come along to the SVP Christmas Buffet Lunch to be held on Saturday 25th November 2017 2pm – 4pm in the parish hall plus entertainment. If you or anyone you know would like to attend please collect an invitation from a member of the SVP.

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St. Davíd's Childcare Services

St. David's Childcare Services is a self-contained building situated on the grounds of the Primary school registered with CSSIW and is able to offer:

Playgroup 9 am – 11am, 2 1/2 yr olds - £8 per session Wraparound 11.30 – 3 pm, 3yrs + - £11 per session. After School Club 3.14 – 5.30 - £8 per session. Please contact Tracy McDuff for further details: 07483102956