

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

Archdiocese of Cardiff

(Registered Charity Number 1177272)

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15th December 2019

3rd Sunday of Advent Year A Psalte

<u>Psalter Week 3</u>

Gaudete Sunday

PARISH LITURGY AND DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

Morning Prayers: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Sat 9.40am

Dam Evening prayer: Fri 4.40pm

			3 rd Sunday of Advent Year A
Saturday	5.00pm	St David's	Vincent & May Armstrong (VA); Michael Egan (VL)
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Jack Allister (B&JS); John Kane (MK)
	11.15am	St David's	Betty Brennan; Mary, Brid & Fred Strutt (MM)
Monday	<u>12.noon</u>	Our Lady's	Funeral Mass for Barbara Berger
Tuesday	10.00am	St David's	The People of the Parish
	11.00am	Crematorium	Funeral Service for James McCafferty
Wednesday	10.00am	Our Lady's	Betty Brennan; Don Peake (CJG)
Thursday	10.00am	St David's	Campbell O'Shea & Milton Families; Madeleine Reidy (JC)
Friday	11.00am	Our Lady's	Funeral Mass for Renato Basini Gazzi
Saturday	10.00am	Our Lady's	Roger Lewis (M&AS)
			4 th Sunday of Advent Year A
Saturday	5.00pm	St David's	Ken & Pat Harnett (LA) Bill & Margaret Gale (Fam)
Sunday	9.30am	Our Lady's	Brian Draisey (RD); Ints of SVP Members (SS)
	11.15am	St David's	Elizabeth Daly (DP)

<u>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</u> No Adoration in either Church until 7th January in St David's and in Our Lady's on 10th January

Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacrament of Reconciliation (21/12/19)

Our Lady's: Saturday 11am-11.30am St David's : Saturday 4.15-4.45pm

Baptism at Our Lady's

Thomas William Kavanagh is being baptised on Saturday 21st December in Our Lady's at 12 noon. We congratulate his parents as Thomas begins his Faith journey.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION

A retiring collection will take place this <u>Sunday</u>, <u>15th</u> <u>December</u> in both churches

Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Preparation

Preparation classes will commence in the New Year. Enrolment forms are available from Canon John

Interested in Becoming a Catholic? RCIA & Alpha Course

Thinking of becoming a Catholic or getting a deeper understanding of our faith? An Alpha & RCIA course will commence in January. Enrolment forms are available from Canon John.

Roman Catholic Chaplaincy

The Chaplaincy of the Royal Gwent and St Woolas hospital has created a card for Catholics to carry on their person. The card contains an emergency number and a message to hospital staff asking them to contact a Catholic Priest. Cards are in the church porches, please pass them onto the sick and housebound.

Your giving to your Parish: many thanks

Gift Aid: £366.00

Non Gift Aid & S.O.: £619.40

Gift Aid Standing Order £274.52

Total giving this week: £1259.92

Mass Count: 381

Parish Sick

Please pray for the sick and housebound and all who care for them

Fantastíc Raffle News!

So far we have raised £519 at Weekend Masses 1st/2nd December and £359 at last Weekend Masses 7th/8th December.
Our Raffle total currently stands at £878 Raffle tickets are still available to buy and

we are continuing to collect raffle money this weekend. The draw will take place on 22nd December after the 9.30 Mass in St. Anne's Room. The Grand Total for Frost Fayre and Raffle money currently stands at £3108.

Well Done Everybody!

Jewellery Sale

Jewellery will be on sale after Mass today in St Anne's Room. Come along and treat yourself or someone you love to a festive adornment. If you have any jewellery items that you would like to donate to the stall for future sales please see Pat Forward, Kate O Duffy and Sheelagh McCool.

Red Mission Boxes: Missio

The boxes are now due to be emptied. Contact for St David's –Suzanne Spiteri and Our Lady's –Rita Draisey.

<u>Torfaen Food Bank</u>

Many thanks to you all for your support of the Torfaen Food Bank over the past year. Last week we were able to deliver a very large stock of food items, plus supermarket vouchers and cash totalling £110. Thanks again for your generosity and best wishes for a Happy Christmas. Next Foodbank collection is on 4/5th January 2020.

A Massive thanks from your SVP

Dear Friends, please accept our most sincere thanks for your generosity in giving to the SVP annual collection and for other kind donations, £1271.23 has been raised. We are always astounded by your generosity particularly at this time of year. We will ensure that your money is used to make a real difference for the families that most need it this Christmas and throughout 2020.

May God bless you and your families and we wish you a happy, healthy and holy Christmas.



'Father, creator and redeemer of mankind, you decreed, and your Word became man, born of the Virgin Mary. May we come to share the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share our human nature.'



Opening Prayer Weekday of Advent

Scripture Study Days, the Cornerstone,

10 am - 12 noon - January 11th 2020

The Gospel of Matthew,

Mrs. Sarah Beresford (The Catholic Bible School)

Advent to Christmas

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday 19th: St David's 10.30-11.30am (visiting priests)

Friday 20th: Our Lady's 4-5pm

Saturday 21st As normal

Monday 23rd: Our Lady's 10.30 – 11.30am

Christmas Mass Times

Tuesday 24th December Christmas Eve: St David's 6.pm

Our Lady's 9pm

Wednesday 25th December Christmas Day: Our Lady's 9am

St David's 10.30am

<u>Thursday 26th Feast of St Stephen:</u> St David's 11.00am

<u>Crib Donations this year is for the Catholic Children's Society</u>
"The Catholic Children's Society brings God's message of hope and love to disadvantaged children and families"

Cardinal Vincent Nichols

<u>Parish Prayer</u>

Come Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with wisdom, love and courage make us more like Christ in our works and actions.

Bless the work of your Church. Renew us all in the desire to make Christ known and loved in the world today.

Bless the work of our Parish. Guide all that we do so that our church is a place of mercy and service for all who are seeking you

Deepen our love For the Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and guide us in prayer and action as we journey towards Discipleship to become the Church you are calling us to be.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

<u>Requiescant in Pace</u>

Of your charity please pray for the souls of Barbara Berger, James McCafferty and Renato Basini Gazzi who died recently and also for their families.