PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

Archdiocese of Cardiff

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23rd August 2020 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time Psalter Week 1

You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

There is a very simple theme to this Sunday's readings: it is the principle of authority in the community of the Church: we are introduced to the idea that God gives authority to someone in the first reading, where Shebna is dismissed by God and replaced. This is a prelude to the Gospel story of Peter being given authority: not because he is powerful or wise in the world's sense, but because he was able to profess his faith in the one sent by the Father. This is the principle of all authority in the Church: it is to spring only from God and our faith in God, professed by our way of life and rooted only in Christ, for 'to him all authority, in heaven and on earth, has been given.'

Sunday 10am	The People of the Parish	Sunday Mass is live streamed at 10am
Monday	Pat Griffiths (JC)	St Bartholomew, Apostle, Feast
Tuesday	Alison Frances Clare (KC)	
Wednesday	Renato Basini Gazzi (PR)	St David Lewis, Priest and Martyr
Thursday	John Burnett (AB)	St Monica
Friday	Ian Werrett (CM)	St Augustine, Bishop
Saturday	In Thanksgiving (Sr S)	The Passion of St John the Baptist

Parish Sick

We pray for the sick of our parish especially Margret Kane and for those who care for them, for the housebound and for those who have asked for our prayers.

Confessions

To make an appointment for confessions

CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR THE PARISHES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE

2020 - 2021

NEWPORT DEANERY

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Today we are asked to pray for Reverend Michael Doyle and Parishioners of St David Lewis Bettws and All Saints

Pastoral Area, Newport

The God Who Speaks

A brief look at St Paul's Life and Teachings. September 12th at 8am-5pm Cornerstone Cardiff

For more information: https://rcadc.org/yow/yow-dates/

"Tad y Tlodion" - Father of the Poor SAINT DAVID LEWIS 1616 - 1679

David Lewis was born in Abergavenny in the year 1616. He was brought up as a Protestant but later became a Catholic. Both his parents died in 1638 and that same year, David set off for Rome. He entered the Venerable English College on 6th. November 1638 to prepare for ordination to the Sacred Priesthood. David Lewis assumed the name of Charles Baker (A common practice in those days of persecution). He completed his studies, receiving Minor Orders in June 1641 and was ordained to the Priesthood on 20th July 1642.

Father David Lewis entered the Jesuit Novitiate at Sant' Andrea in Rome on 19th April 1645. After Profession, his superiors immediately sent him to Wales. He was recalled to Rome after only a short stay, to take up the role of Spiritual Director at his old College.

This lasted One Year, as the Mission in South Wales, which had been founded in 1620, petitioned for Father David's immediate return to his homeland. This being granted by his superiors, Father David was sent back to Wales, to the Jesuit Mission of St. Francis Xavier at a place called 'The Cwm' in 1648, where he was to work for the next thirty years. On Sunday 17th November 1678 Father David Lewis was arrested at Llantarnam as he was preparing to say Mass.

At his trial, he was condemned as a Roman Catholic Priest who said Mass, which was considered high treason against the Crown. For this, he was executed at Usk on Wednesday 27th.August 1679

Father David Lewis was canonized

Sunday 25th October 1970 by

Pope Paul VI