# PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN Archdiocese of Cardiff

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27th September 2020

26th Sunday Year A

Psalter Week 2

"He thought better of it and went. Tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you."

Once a sinner, always a sinner. That seems to be the attitude of the self-righteous in the first reading and the Gospel; they object that God is unjust, because he gives sinners another chance. But God tells them quite clearly that such attitudes are the real injustice - to allow prejudice and hardness of heart to come between repentance and forgiveness. The words of Christ in the Gospel must have struck a chill into the hard hearts of the so-called righteous chief priests - even today they can make us stop and think: Prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. All our outward show matters little, if it does not correspond with what is deep in our hearts; all our words are meaningless, if they do not correspond with the way we live our lives.

|           |         |            | 26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time                                 |                                       |
|-----------|---------|------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| Saturday  | 5.00pm  | St David's | Ann Wilcox (BW)  |                                       |
| Sunday    | 9.30am  | Our Lady's | The People of the Paris  | Sunday Mass also live streamed        |
|           | 11.15am | St David's | Richard Hurley (TH)  |                                       |
| Monday    |         |            | Jean McGuire (MBM)   |                                       |
| Tuesday   | 10.00am | St David's | Kate Finnucane (SMJ) Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels. Feast |                                       |
| Wednesday | 10.00am | Our Lady's | Sr Anne Gabrielle (Sr S  | St Jerome, Priest                     |
| Thursday  |         |            | Ints of Brenda Bold  | St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin |
| Friday    |         |            | Pat Griffiths (MD)   | The Holy Guardian Angels              |
|           | 3.00pm  |            | Adoration – <u>live strean</u>   | n only                                |
|           |         |            | 27th Sunday of Ordinar   | y Time                                |
| Saturday  | 5.00pm  | St David's | Mary McKoever (CG)   |                                       |
| Sunday    | 9.30am  | Our Lady's | The People of the Paris  | Sunday Mass also live streamed        |
|           | 11.15am | St David's | Patricia & Ken Harnet  | DS)                                   |

Notice of Masses w/b 4th October - Tuesday & Thursday St David's: Wednesday & Friday Our Lady's

# **Parish Sick**

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

Confessions Saturday 10.30 a.m. Our Lady's - Presbytery Saturday 4.15 p.m. St David's - Crying Room

## **First Holy Communion**

I am pleased to say that First Holy Communion classes resume this term for children in St David's and Our Lady's Schools. Children will work in class bubbles with the Catechist. First Reconciliation will take place the day before they make their First Holy Communion. Children outside of the Schools will need to contact their Catechist for one-to-one sessions. For more details, please contact Mrs C Prosser (OLA) and Mrs J Weightman (St David's).

# TO REGISTER AND RESERVE A PLACE TO ATTEND MASS (PLEASE NOTE: YOU NEED TO BOOK YOUR PLACE EVERY TIME)

Parishioners are required to register a place for **WEEKEND MASSES ONLY** with:

Paddy Landers for Our Lady's Church and Clare Jones for St David's Church.

Peter Olearczyk for Our Lady's and St David's Churches (WEEKDAY MASSES ONLY)

# Our Lady of the Angels Church 9.30am (Sunday): Contact person Paddy Landers

Mobile **(TEXT)** 07740543645 email: **patricia.landers@sky.com** Paddy will return your text/email to confirm you have been added to the list.

# St. David's Church 5pm (Sat) and 11.15am (Sunday) Masses: Contact person Clare Jones

Clare Jones' contact details to register attendance at mass in St David's before 8pm on the Friday.

Text: 07748687123 e-mail: **jonesc36@sky.com** If you wish to telephone, please do so after 6pm and leave a message and Clare will call back. She will confirm that you have been added to the list. If there are too many Clare will let you know.

## St David's Church and Our Lady of the Angels Church (Weekdays): Contact person Peter Olearczyk

Mobile **(TEXT)** 07885835866 e-mail: **peter@olearczyk.co.uk** Peter will return your text/email to confirm you have been added to the list.

# CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR THE PARISHES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE: 2020 – 2021 NEWPORT DEANERY: 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Today we are asked to pray for Reverend Michael Doyle and Parishioners of Saint David Maesglas; All Saints Pastoral Area, Newport and Saint David's Primary School and Saint Joseph's High School.



## The God Who Speaks - Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael September 29th

St. Michael and the Devil, Raphael, c. 1504 – c. 1505 or 1518, Source: Wikimedia Commons Archangel Gabriel Annunciate, Fra Angelico, 1431 – 1433, Source: WikiArt Archangel Raphael with Tobias, Pietro Perugino, c.1496 – c.1500, Source: WikiArt

On this day we celebrate the three named Archangels in Scripture – Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. Angels, or messengers from God, appear at key moments in Scripture and always point to the wonderful works of God and inspire worship of God.

St. Michael appears a few times throughout the Bible, in Daniel's vision as "the great prince" who defends Israel against enemies (Daniel 10:13-21) and in the Book of Revelation (Revelation 12:7-9) as leading God's armies in the final victory over evil. Devotion to Michael began in the East during the 4th Century. Michael is the Patron Saint of Police Officers and his symbol is a sword.

St. Gabriel is best known for his encounter with Mary at the Annunciation (Luke 1:26-38) but he also appeared in Daniel's visions (Daniel 8:15–26, 9:21–27). Gabriel is the Patron Saint of broadcasters and his symbols are a trumpet and a lily.

St. Raphael's appearance is recorded in the Book of Tobit where he guides Tobias (Tobit's son) on his journey to restore his family's wealth. On the way Raphael protects Tobias, leads him to and heals his future wife, and heals Tobit of his blindness on their return. St. Raphael is the Patron Saint of travellers, the blind, ill health, happy meetings, nurses, doctors and care workers. He is often pictured holding a staff and either holding or standing on a fish.

## **SCHOOL VACANCIES**

Class Teacher: St David's RC School Caldicot Way, Pontnewydd, Cwmbran, NP44 1UF

Full-time, Permanent teacher (MPS1 – UPS3) Closing date: Thursday 1st October 2020

Please contact Mrs. J. Weightman, Headteacher for further details.

Application forms can be completed online and returned to the School via: Naomi.bowen@torfaen.gov.uk

<u>Deputy Headteacher:</u> St Joseph's Primary School, Sully Road, Penarth, Vale of Glamorgan CF64 2TQ Closing date: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 12 noon.

Please contact Mrs Davies at St Joseph's RC Primary School for an application pack. Completed applictions should be emailed to **adavies@stjosephsrc.com**