PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

Archdiocese of Cardiff

(Registered Charity Number 117727)

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28th March 2021

PALM SUNDAY

Psalter Week 2 Year B

Masses at Our Lady's are Live Streamed

<u>Live Stream Camera</u> To view the live streams, you will need to use the link below. All live streams will be live and will not be available to be viewed at a later time. http://www.ourladyoftheangels.org.uk/our-lady-live-stream/

FOR YOUR INFORMATION – SUNDAY 28th 2am CLOCKS GO FORWARD

	40.00		
Saturday 27 th March	10.00am		First Holy Communion
	5.00 pm	Our Lady's	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD YEAR B
			The People of the Parish
Sunday			
28 th March	10.00 am	Our Lady's	Kathleen Crowley (PL); Betty Brennan (FB-D)
			HOLY WEEK
Tuesday 30 th March	9.40 am	Our Lady's	Morning Prayer of the Church
	10.00 am		Mulcahy family (CM)
	6.00 pm		Evening Prayer of the Church
Wednesday 31 st March	9.40 am	Our Lady's	Morning Prayer of the Church
	10.00 am		Bill & Margaret Gale (LR)
	6.00 pm		Evening Prayer of the Church
Thursday 1 st April	7.00 pm	Our Lady's	THE SACRED TRIDUUM
			Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
			The People of the Parish; Catherine, Joan and Denny O'Brien (F)
Friday 2 nd April	10.00 am	Our Lady's	Solemn Morning Prayer
	3.00 pm		Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord
Saturday 3 rd April	10.00am		Solemn Morning Prayer
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	6.30 pm		The People of the Parish
Sunday			On Easter Sunday both Churches will be open to attend Mass.
			You will need to book a place.
4 th April			
т Аріп	9.30 am	Our Lady's	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Richard Hurley (TH)
	11.15 am	St David's	The People of the Parish

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES

Traditionally, the Easter Offering is our gift to our Parish Priest. Easter Offering envelopes will be available from the church porches on Easter Sunday; if you use another envelope please mark it Easter Offerings. You can place your envelopes in the collection baskets in the porches or post through the Presbytery door at Our Lady's.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place by appointment on Saturday mornings between 11.00am -11.30am in St Anne's Room. Please contact Canon John to arrange a time.

Requiescat in Pace

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Giovanna Cavalli, a teacher from St David's School who died recently and we extend our condolences to her family.

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, especially John Adams, Sam & Mo McCausland, Rose James, Angela Davies, Sybil Worsfold, Ivor Dando, Mrs Kopec, Ann Pitchforth, Tina Cordani, Joyce Coughlan, Peter and Isabelle Nash, Tommy Harris, Rosemary Jenkins, Iverna Ward, Michael and Pauline Loughlin, Michael Evans, Philip Short, Chris Mulcahy, Sean Gilgunn, Sr Denise, Brenda Bold, Margaret Kane, Fr Kevin, Canon William Isaacs, Bob French, Imelda Smith, Wendy Fleming and Malcolm Williams.

Sacred Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday are Live Streamed Only.

Holy Thursday:

Our Lady's: 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday:

Our Lady's: 10.00am Morning Prayer

3.00pm The Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday:

Our Lady's: 10.00am Morning Prayer Our Lady's: 6.30pm EASTER VIGIL

On Easter Sunday both Churches will be open to attend Mass. You will need to book a place.

Easter Sunday:

Our Lady's: 9.30am St David's: 11.15am

Paddy Landers for Our Lady's Church. Mobile **(TEXT)** 07740543645 email: **patricia.landers@sky.com** Paddy will confirm you have been added to the list.

Clare Jones for St David's Church. Text: 07748687123 e-mail: **jonesc36@sky.com** If you wish to telephone, please do so after 6pm and leave a message. Clare will confirm that you have been added to the list.

IF YOU ARE FEELING UNWELL PRIOR TO ATTENDING MASS, PLEASE STAY AT HOME AND DO NOT ATTEND CHURCH.
PLEASE CONTACT THE PERSON THAT YOU BOOKED YOUR PLACE WITH SO THAT YOUR PLACE CAN BE RELEASED
AND REALLOCATED.



Wishing Canon John a very Happy Birthday when he celebrates on Saturday 3rd April.

CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR THE PARISHES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE: PALM SUNDAY

Today we are asked to pray for Rev Canon John Kelly, VF and parishioners of Saint Helen, Caerphilly and Ysbyty Ystrad Fawr Saint Helen Primary School.



'Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world.' (The Year of the God Who Speaks)



PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.
(from the Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis,
Patris Corde – With a Father's Heart)

NEW ARCHDIOCESAN PROGRAMME

The Diocesan Evangelisation Commission is pleased to announce its new programme: **Spread the Gospel: Developing a Missionary Parish.**

The Commission has spent the year of lockdown creating the programme and then piloting, reviewing, and amending it. The Programme has been approved by His Grace, Archbishop George Stack. It is a seven-week programme, running for one and half hours via Zoom on one evening a week. The dates will be Wednesday, April 21st and 28th, May 5th, May 12th and May 19th, June 9th and June 16th, 2021.

The Programme is open to all parishioners and clergy across the Archdiocese.

The new Programme will remind participants of the Great Commission and the basic Gospel message. It will cover a rudimentary history of the early church and will consider important messages from recent papal papers, how to give witness testimonies, evangelise non-church going Catholics with practical approaches and tools for building a parish team to evangelise.

The Genesis Mission will be an important follow-on activity offered to participants, providing the necessary skills for successful encounters.

For more information and to register for the Programme, please email Madeleine Walters at madeleine.walters@rcadc.org

Praying for the unborn and women facing crisis pregnancies

https://righttolife.org.uk/equallyhuman

During the month of April we offer our intentions:

- **4th** "As we celebrate the ultimate victory Christ won for us on the cross, we pray for victory in all the church's efforts. We pray especially for the church's battle to protect all life and the dignity and wellbeing of all human beings from conception to their natural passing. Lord hear us"
- **11th** "As we celebrate the Feast of the Divine Mercy we remember the words of St Faustina: "that in difficult moments we might not despair... but with great confidence submit ourselves to [God's] holy will, which is love and mercy itself". We pray these words especially for all women considering abortion, that the love, hope and mercy of Christ would be with them in their difficulty, and that they would find care and support in their family and friends so that they can keep their unborn child. Lord hear us"
- **18th** "We pray for all unborn children diagnosed with disabilities. We pray for protection for them and their mothers from the pressures of society to consider abortion, and that they and their mothers would instead experience overwhelming support from all who surround them. Lord hear us"
- **25th** "This Tuesday marks 53 years since the 1967 Abortion Act came into effect. As we hope and pray for an end to abortion, we pray especially for our Government, that their commitment to support pregnant women and their families would increase, and that they would anchor themselves in the desire to protect all human life. Lord hear us"



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Head teacher: Mrs J. Weightman

'Dysgu, Caru, Chwerthin, Dilyn yn ol-traed Iesu'

'Learning, Loving, Laughing, Following in the footsteps of Jesus'

24th March 2021

Annwyl Parents and Carers,

It is with deep regret that I am writing to inform of the sad passing of a former staff member - Mrs Giovanna Cavalli passed away peacefully on Sunday 21st March whilst surrounded with her family at home.

Mrs Cavalli was an integral part of our school community for 33 years; her career began at St. David's when she first qualified as a teacher in 1987. Throughout her career Mrs Cavalli taught several generations of our families. Mrs Cavalli had a passion for the outdoors, physical activities and sports; she was instrumental in leading our school to many successes at the annual Catholic Athletic competition at Leckwith stadium.

After discussions with the family we will be creating a dedicated memorial to Mrs Cavalli in our peace garden at some point over the Summer term; the peace garden is a special place that Mrs Cavalli was involved in creating in our school. A small memorial service will be held for the family and staff so that we can commemorate Giovanna's life and service to the children of St. David's.

Please hold Mr Cavalli, Alessandro, Francesca and the family in your thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time.



God bless,

Mrs Joanne Weightman

Headteacher - St. Mary and St Patrick's Primary School, Maesteg

'We are a Catholic Family, Learning Together'

Monica Street, Maesteg CF34 9AY Ages: 3-11 years Number On Roll: 224

Headteacher Required from September 2021 Leadership scale L12 – L18

Are you a committed practising Catholic who has Gospel values at the heart of everything you do? Are you highly motivated, with proven leadership skills and successful experiences of school improvement and change? Are you ready to confidently embrace the challenges and opportunities facing the education sector, with special focus for the new curriculum for Wales 2022?

The Governing Body of St Mary' and St Patrick's are seeking to appoint a Headteacher who answers yes to each of these questions and who will strengthen our ambitious and committed leadership team.

St Mary's and St Patrick's is a happy and successful school with a strong Catholic ethos. It is a place where children are developed spiritually, morally and academically. We offer a warm and welcoming family environment where everybody is valued and part of the team. The school successfully achieved the Wellbeing Award for Schools and was recognised for the excellent practice taking place.

Wellbeing Award for Schools February 2021

'The school offers a supportive and caring environment to the children, staff, parents and the whole school community. It needs to be praised for the work it has done in embedding positive structures and developing strong relationships that support mental health and wellbeing and enables children to learn and flourish. '

The town of Maesteg is nestled in the heart of the Llynfi Valley, surrounded by mountains, Forest Parks, and the historic village of Llangynwyd. The town is rich in heritage, with something of interest for everyone, and lies within easy reach of both Cardiff, Swansea, and the Glamorgan Coastline.

The Governing Body and staff at St Mary's and St Patrick's ensure that Christ is at the centre of our learning and integrate the Gospel Values and Virtues into everything we do. Liturgical celebrations and daily prayers are at the heart of school life and we focus on the development of children's religious literacy and spirituality. We achieve high standards in all that we do and help children to understand how the Gospels relate to our lives today.

We are looking for a Headteacher who:

- Is a committed, practising Catholic, who will continue to support the Catholic ethos of our school and maintain strong links with our parish
- Has the vision and drive to promote and inspire the highest standards of teaching and learning based on pedagogical research and evidence-based practice
- Will lead by example and provide inspiration and motivation to the school community
- Is a strategic thinker, with the vision to achieve excellence, and has the ability to both identify and sustain areas for improvement
- Is fully aware of the new Curriculum in Wales, developments in Welsh education and with a clear vision of Catholic Education
- Will continue to promote a strong sense of engagement with children, parents, parish and the wider community
- Has high expectations and aspirations and will promote and celebrate the achievements of all our children.

Our children are looking for a headteacher who:

- Is kind, caring and helpful
- Is a happy person who brings the sunshine
- Helps us be the best we can be
- Encourages us to use our ideas to plan our curriculum and love of learning
- Plans fun educational experiences
- Lets us be involved in making decisions for our school
- Celebrates the Catholic traditions and life of the school
- Celebrates Welsh culture and the Welsh language
- Supports extra-curricular activities, music and sports

In return we can offer you:

- A warm and welcoming school community
- Happy, enthusiastic and caring children
- A dedicated team of staff who are committed to supporting and developing the school
- An effective, supportive and active Governing Body willing to support your personal development
- An exciting opportunity to lead a Foundation Phase Hub School

Please look at our website for more information about us https://stmaryandstpatrick.co.uk/ or on twitter @stmarypatrick

Closing date: <u>12th April 2021 at 12noon</u>

Shortlisting: 14th April 2021

Interviews to be held: 22nd /23rd April 2021

Applicants must use the current CES application forms (Senior Leadership 2020) which is attached. Completed applications should be emailed to Miss Fear, Clerk to the Governing Body, admin.stmpprimary@bridgend.gov.uk

The successful candidate will be expected to sign the Catholic Education Service Contract of Employment.

St Mary's and St Patrick's Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and young people and expects staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Appointments to this post will be subject to a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check and satisfactory references, which will be taken up for all shortlisted candidates prior to interview. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974.

ST. MARY'S R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL YSGOL GYNRADD GATHOLIG SANTES FAIR

Queens Hill, Newport NP20 5HJ

4x Class teachers
MPS
Required for 1st September 2021

2 x Full time temporary 1st September 2021 – 31st August 2022

2x Full time temporary (Maternity cover) 1st September 2021–8th April 2022

Advert and full Job description can be found on ETEACH and Newport City Council Website Closing date April 12th 2021.

"Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord."

On Palm Sunday the long reading of the Passion dominates the celebration, and in a sense its meaning is obvious. Do not allow this, however, to detract from the other readings, which give the vital context necessary for understanding the Passion as more than just a long story. It is our story – the tale of how God achieved OUR salvation by the supreme sacrifice of Jesus Christ.