

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

Wesley Street, Cwmbran NP44 3LX

Archdiocese of Cardiff (Registered Charity Number 117727)

Parish Priest: Fr. Daniel Stanton (01633 482 346)

Parish Email: cwmbbran@rcadc.org

Safeguarding Officer: John Metcalfe (07977 108 478)

SVP President: Mr Dave Stroud (01633 838542)

OLA School, Acting Head: Mrs Ceri Prosser (01633 484673)

St David School, Head: Mrs Joanne Weightman (01633 482580)

St. Alban High School: Mr Stephen Lord (01495 765800)

Hall Caretaker: Pam Brooks (07974 617 221)

Website: [www.ourladyoftheangels.org.uk](http://www.ourladyoftheangels.org.uk)

20<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Christ The King Year C

Psalter: 2

<b>Saturday:</b>	9.10am <b>9.30am</b> 10.00am  1.30pm	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + The People of the Parish Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, until 11.15am Sacrament of Reconciliation, until 11.15am Baptism of Marnie Mae Thomas
<b>Saturday/ Sunday</b> <i>Our Lord Jesus</i> <i>Christ, King of the</i> <i>Universe Year C</i>	4.15pm <b>5.00pm</b> <b>6.30pm</b> <b>9.30am</b>  <b>11.15am</b> 5.00pm	<b>St David's</b>  <b>Our Lady's</b>  <b>St. David's</b> <b>St David's</b>	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 4.45pm</i> <b>Mass:</b> Ints of Angela Boyland <b>Mass:</b> + Stuart and Helen White (JW) <b>Mass:</b> + Rita Draisey (E&SG) <i>(After Mass: Coffee Morning in St. Anne's Room)</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Frank Brennan (BF) Evening Prayer and Benediction
<b>Monday: The</b> <i>Presentation of the</i> <i>B.V.M.</i>	5.15pm <b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 5.45pm</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Brian Ward (IW)
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9.10am <b>9.30am</b> 10.00am 11.30am	<b>St David's</b>  <b>Our Lady's</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + Matthew Prim (J&BS) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, until 11.00am Funeral Service for Sarah McCarthy
<b>Thursday: St</b> <i>Andrew Dung-Lac</i> <i>and Companions</i>	9.10am <b>9.30am</b> 7.30pm	<b>St David's</b>  <b>Our Lady's</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + Holy Souls Parish Prayer Group (St. Anne's Room)
<b>Friday:</b>	9.10am <b>9.30am</b> 10.00am  3.00pm	<b>Our Lady's</b>  <b>Facebook Live</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + Holy Souls <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11am</i> <i>(After Mass: Coffee Morning in St. Anne's Room)</i> Divine Mercy Devotions
<b>Saturday: Votive</b> <i>Mass of Our Lady</i>	9.40am 10.00am	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + Philomena McCafferty Ministries Formation Day 10:00am – 3.30pm
<b>Saturday/ Sunday</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of</i> <i>Advent Year A</i>	4.15pm <b>5.00pm</b> <b>6.30pm</b> <b>9.30am</b>  <b>11.15am</b> 5.00pm	<b>St David's</b>  <b>Our Lady's</b> <b>Our Lady's</b>  <b>St David's</b> <b>St David's</b>	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 4.45pm</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Maldwyn Lloyd (VL) <b>Mass:</b> + Rita Draisey (DP) <b>Mass:</b> + Cliff Price (OW) <i>(After Mass: Coffee Morning in St. Anne's Room)</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Maria Winter (JJ) Evening Prayer and Benediction

**Sick and Retired Clergy Appeal**

This weekend there will be a second collection for this year's Sick and Retired Clergy Appeal. This fund ensures that the diocese can offer every retired priest a dignified retirement with provision of a suitable home and an appropriate quality of life. The current cost of caring for our retired clergy is £200,000 per year. Donation envelopes are available for your use. We give thanks for the service our retired priests have given to Christ, the Church and our parish communities. Please support them to the best of your abilities.

**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: Keri Williams, Mrs Kopec, Ann Pitchforth, Tina Cordani, Joyce Coughlan, Tommy Harris, Iverna Ward, Michael Evans, Philip Short, Chris Mulcahy, Sean Gilgunn, Fr Kevin Paine and Caroline Paine, Imelda Smith, Malcolm and Cecelia Williams, Sam McCausland, Terry Mahoney, Shelagh & Ray Mills, Jill Hudd, Shaun Worsfold, Michael Barry, Diane Pearce, Goff and Rose James, John Cullen, Paul Taylor, Rachael James, Michael Keohane, David MacDonald, Doreen Watley, Robert Hayton, Jim Sheehy, Pat Price, Baby Frankie, Teresa Bruce, Josie and David Woods, Sheila Fotheringham, and John Jordan

**Requiescant in Pace** - Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Sarah McCarthy, Joanne Morgan and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Formation**

**Ministries Formation Day** - There are many people within our parish who exercise important ministries. These ministries enrich the life of our parish community, and enable many more people to encounter the person of Jesus Christ. A Parish Formation Day has been planned for **Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022** at Our Lady's Church. The day will begin with Mass at **10:00am, and will conclude around 3:30pm**. Please bring a packed lunch. The theme of the day will be: *"Earnestly Desire for the Higher Gifts"* (1 Cor. 12: 31).

All parishioners are warmly invited to get involved with any of these areas of ministry within the parish. Please come along to find out more. I would be grateful if parishioners who exercise ministry within the parish could sign up using the lists at the back of the Church.

**Journey of Faith** – If you are interested in exploring more about the Catholic faith, and are considering joining the RCIA programme, please contact Fr. Daniel for a chat.

**Forthcoming Dates for the Diary**

**SVP Over 50's Christmas Buffet Lunch**

Come along to the SVP Christmas Buffet Lunch to be held on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December between 2pm – 4pm** in the parish hall. This will be an opportunity to meet old and new friends, enjoy a light buffet with entertainment. It will also be an opportunity to meet some of your SVP, including the Minnie Vinnies from our Junior schools. If you or anyone you know would like to attend, please place your name on the list in the foyer or let a member of the SVP know. Transport can be arranged for those who require it.

**Christmas Craft Day** for our parish children has been planned for Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> December 2022 from 11:00am until 3:00pm in the St. Anne's Room. Limited spaces will be available. Tickets on sale online at £5.00.

**Parish Prayer**

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.

**Thank You**

**Frost Fair News**

Many thanks for all donations and support for this event. The grand total to date is £1113.76

**After Mass Sale**

There are still some new items for sale. They will be available to buy in both churches over the next couple of weeks. Come and find a Christmas bargain.

**Piety Stall**

Christmas cards, calendars, diaries are now on sale in both churches.

**Change in the Mass Schedule**

A few people have asked if I would consider celebrating Mass on an evening during the week so that they can have the opportunity to attend after work. This begins this on Monday as a trial period. The Church will be open from 5:00pm for private prayer. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 5:15pm until 5:45pm, and Mass will begin at 6:00pm. Mass will continue to be live-streamed in the usual way.

**Advent 2022**

This year's Advent Schedule is now available in addition to this week's newsletter. It contains lots of information about events coming up throughout the Advent season. It also has the Christmas Schedule. Please note the Mass times of Christmas weekend.

**Synod 2023**

For the next stage of the Synodal Process we are asked to give responses to the *Working Document for the Continental Stage* (this document can be found on the parish website with a response form) by responding to three questions from chapter 4 of the document. His Grace, Archbishop Mark, asks that these responses are shared with him by 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022. He is especially keen to hear from parishioners who have not participated up to now.

If you are unable to access this document via the website please contact Carole in the parish office, 01633 482346 or email [cwmbbran@rcadc.org](mailto:cwmbbran@rcadc.org) for a copy.