

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

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19<sup>th</sup> February 2023

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

Psalter: Week 3

<b>Saturday: Votive Mass of Our Lady</b>	9.10am <b>9.30am</b> 10.00am	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + Hugh Gilgunn (E&SG) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, until 11:15am Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11:15am
<b>Saturday/ Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	4.15pm <b>5.00pm</b> <b>6.30pm</b> 8.00pm <b>9.30am</b>  <b>11.15am</b> 5.00pm 8.00pm	<b>St David's</b>  <b>Our Lady's Facebook Live</b> <b>Our Lady's</b>  <b>St David's</b>  <b>Facebook Live</b>	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 4.45pm</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Tom and Laura Loughlin (M&PL) <b>Mass:</b> The People of the Parish Holy Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries <b>Mass:</b> + Christopher Corner (M&AC) <i>(After Mass: Coffee Morning in St. Anne's Room)</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Rose and Jack Clifford (TO'K) Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries
<b>Monday:</b>	8.00pm	<b>Facebook Live</b>	Holy Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>10.00am</b> 8.00pm	<b>St David's Facebook Live</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b> for Maria Lauratana Passaro Holy Rosary: The Sorrowful Mysteries
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	9.10am <b>9.30am</b> <b>1.00pm</b> 5.15pm <b>6.00pm</b> 8.00pm	<b>St David's</b>  <b>St David's</b> <b>Our Lady's</b>  <b>Facebook Live</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> The People of the Parish <b>Requiem Mass</b> for Vincenzo Natale Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 5.45pm</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Michael McClenchy (PL) Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries
<b>Thursday:</b>	9.30am <b>9.45am</b> 7.30pm 8.00pm	<b>St David's</b>  <b>Our Lady's Facebook Live</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + Terry Crowley (MC) Parish Prayer Group (St. Anne's Room) Holy Rosary: The Luminous Mysteries
<b>Friday:</b>	9.10am <b>9.30am</b> 10.00am  3.00pm 6.00pm 8.00pm	<b>Our Lady's</b>    <b>Facebook Live</b> <b>Our Lady's Facebook Live</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + Rita Draisey (M&DC) <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11am</i> <i>(After Mass: Coffee Morning in St. Anne's Room)</i> Divine Mercy Devotions Stations of the Cross Holy Rosary: The Sorrowful Mysteries
<b>Saturday:</b>	9.10am <b>9.30am</b>	<b>Our Lady's</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Mass:</b> + Bereavement Mass
<b>Saturday/ Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	4.15pm <b>5.00pm</b> <b>6.30pm</b> 8.00pm <b>9.30am</b>  <b>11.15am</b> 5.00pm 8.00pm	<b>St David's</b>  <b>Our Lady's Facebook Live</b> <b>Our Lady's</b>  <b>St David's</b>  <b>Facebook Live</b>	Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until 4.45pm</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Lee Davies (AD) <b>Mass:</b> + Judy Mitchell (MM) Holy Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries <b>Mass:</b> Ints of Morgan Family (CM) <i>(After Mass: Coffee Morning in St. Anne's Room)</i> <b>Mass:</b> + Norina Moon (AB) Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries

**TURKEY AND SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL.** There will be a collection this weekend for the Earthquake Appeal.

**PARISH NOTICES**

**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, Michael Keohane, David MacDonald, Doreen Watley, Robert Hayton, Jim Sheehy, Pat Price, Baby Frankie, Teresa Bruce, Josie and David Woods, Sheila Fotheringham, John Jordan, Christine O'Shea, Pauline Loughlin, and Jean and Lawrence Crowley

**Requiescant in Pace** - Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Maria Lauratana Passaro, Julie Bartel, James O'Farrell, Vincenzo Natale and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Lent 2023**

**Stations of the Cross** takes place during the Fridays of Lent at Our Lady's, beginning at 6:00pm. Would you like to lead the Stations of the Cross one Friday during Lent? There is a sign-up sheet in the Parish Office. Please call to check availability.

**Pope's Lenten Message** – is available to download and read from the parish website. This year's theme: *Lenten Penance and the Synodal Journey*.

**Lenten Retreat** – Lent offers us the space to take time out of our busy schedule and enter into the desert, the place of encountering the Lord, of seeking His voice. There will be to recollect ourselves each Monday evening during Lent at Our Lady's, to spend time with the Lord. The evening programme will be as follows:

**5:15pm – 5:45pm** – Sacrament of Reconciliation

**6:00pm** – Holy Mass

**6:30pm – 7:30pm** – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
*During Adoration:* A reflection on a theme of Lent

Pope Francis reflects: *"Lent is a time of renewal for the whole Church, for each community and every believer"*. Let us open ourselves up to inspiration and outpouring the Holy Spirit during this season.

**First Reflection (27<sup>th</sup> February)** – The Corporal Works of Mercy

**Ministry of Sacristan**

Jean Cadogan is stepping down as Sacristan at St David's Church. We extend to her a special thank you for her devoted service. Thank you for your years of dedicated service and support to myself and the other priests who have served us.

**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.

**Dates for your Diary**

**Bereavement Mass** - On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 9.30am a Bereavement Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady of the Angels Church, for parishioners and friends who died during October - December 2022. If you have a relative or friend who has died and you would like them included in the Mass please give their names to the parish office, Tel: 01633 482346 Email: [cwmbbran@rcadc.org](mailto:cwmbbran@rcadc.org)

**Parish Pilgrimage to Assisi 2023**

Pease return completed booking forms and deposit to Carole by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

**Celebrating our Unity – Catholics at the Congress!**

Each Pentecost Sunday, we pray for a renewed outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives, our parishes, our families. Pentecost is a feast which brings us together and creates a beautiful harmony which shines forth in the world. Pope Francis, during his Pentecost homily in 2021, reflects that *"the Holy Spirit 'impels us to unity, to harmony, to the harmony of diversity. He makes us see ourselves as parts of the same body, brothers and sisters of one another ... 'Let us look to the whole!'"* He goes on to reflect: *"The enemy wants diversity to become opposition and so he makes them become ideologies"*.

This Pentecost Sunday – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – we have the opportunity to take up the Pope's challenge and *"look to the whole"* in a radical way. This Pentecost Sunday, the parish will have one celebration of the Mass at the Congress Theatre in the centre of town, bringing together the various communities and different Mass groups which make up our parish, into one celebration of praise to Almighty God. More information will be available in the coming weeks. I am grateful to the Congress Theatre for hosting us.

**Food Bank**

Lots of food etc and £235 cash delivered to the Torfaen Food Bank this week. Thanks again for your generosity. Next collection 11/12<sup>th</sup> March.