

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

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14th May 2023

Sixth Sunday of Eastertide

Psalter: Week 2

Saturday:	9.10am 9.30am 10.00am	Our Lady's	Morning Prayer Mass: + Veronica Beer (JW) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, until 11:15am Sacrament of Reconciliation until 10.00am
Saturday/ Sunday 6th Sunday of Easter	4.15pm 5.00pm 8.00pm 9.30am 11.15am 1.30pm 5.00pm 8.00pm	St David's Facebook Live Our Lady's St David's Facebook Live	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm Mass: + Margaret and Bill Gale (LR) Holy Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries Mass: + Paul Cahill (JD) <i>(After Mass: Coffee Morning in St. Anne's Room)</i> Mass: + Frances Mary Evans (EW) Baptism of Adison Jae Powell Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries
Monday:	5.15pm 6.00pm 8.00pm	Facebook Live	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 5.45pm Mass: Maureen and Alfred Joyce (SH) Holy Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries
Tuesday:	9.10am 9.30am 10.00am 8.00pm	St David's Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Mass: + Stuart and Helen White (JW) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, until 11:00am Holy Rosary: The Sorrowful Mysteries
Wednesday	8.00pm	Facebook Live	Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries
Thursday: Ascension of the Lord, Holy Day of Obligation	9.20am 9.45am 2.30pm 6.00pm 7.30pm 8.00pm	St David's Crematorium Our Lady's Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Mass: The People of the Parish Funeral Service for Barbara Passmore Mass: Wellbeing of M.C. (PL) Parish Prayer Group (St Anne's room) Holy Rosary: The Luminous Mysteries
Friday:	10.30am 3.00pm 8.00pm	Our Lady's Facebook Live Facebook Live	Requiem Mass for Goff James Divine Mercy Devotions Holy Rosary: The Sorrowful Mysteries
Saturday:	9.30am	Our Lady's	Bereavement Mass <i>(After Mass please join us for light refreshments in St Anne's room, everyone welcome)</i>
Saturday/ Sunday 7th Sunday of Easter	4.15pm 5.00pm 8.00pm 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 5.00pm 8.00pm	St David's Facebook Live Our Lady's St David's Our Lady's St David's Facebook Live	Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm Mass: + Aileen O'Donoghue (MJ) Holy Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries Mass: + John and Peggy Broadribb (JB) <i>(After Mass: Coffee Morning in St. Anne's Room)</i> Mass: + Sheehy and Florence Family (JS) Reception of Anthony Drewett Solemn Evening Prayer and Benediction Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries

Next Food Bank collection is 10/11th June

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, Iverna Ward, 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, Rose James, John Cullen, Paul Taylor, Michael Keohane, David MacDonald, Doreen Watley, Robert Hayton, Jim Sheehy, Pat Price, Teresa Bruce, Josie and David Woods, Sheila Fotheringham, John Jordan, Christine O'Shea, Pauline Loughlin, Chris Gillette, Jean and Lawrence Crowley, Kevin Pinkey and Eileen Roderick

Requiescant in Pace - Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Goff James, Michael Evans, Barbara Passmore, Anthony Broome, Sarah Vaughan, Anthony Drewett and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen

Celebrating our Unity – Catholics at the Congress!

This Pentecost Sunday – **28th 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. This is an exciting opportunity for us, as a parish community, to celebrate our unity together.

Mass will begin at the Congress Theatre at **10:30am**. Please wear something red to the celebration. If you are worried about transport getting there, please contact the Parish Office and leave a message at your earliest convenience. Fr. Daniel is happy to provide a mini bus to bring people together.

While there is so much in our world which divides us, let us pray to the Holy Spirit, that our profound unity of identity and mission may transform the face of our parish.

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.

Parish Diary

Tuesday Club: The next meeting is on Tuesday 16th May and we will be having a celebration party for the Coronation!

SVP Meeting: The SVP will meet on Thursday, 18th May in St Non's room at 6pm. New members welcome

Bereavement Mass - On Saturday 20th May at 9.30am a Bereavement Mass will be celebrated in Our Lady of the Angels Church, for parishioners and friends who died between January and March 2023. 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

National Pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of the Taper, Cardigan, takes place on Sunday afternoon of 21st May 2023, led by Archbishop Mark.

St David Lewis SJ: Last Welsh Martyr

David Lewis was born in Abergavenny in the year 1616. He was brought up as a Protestant but later became a Catholic.

He entered the Venerable English College on 6th November 1638 to prepare for ordination to the Sacred Priesthood. 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. Father David Lewis was sent 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 he was arrested at Llantarnam as he was preparing to say Mass.

At his trial, Fr David Lewis 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. He was buried in St Mary's Priory in Abergavenny. The pilgrimage to his grave takes place on the last Sunday of August each year.

The image and relic of St David Lewis has for many years been in the care of the Sisters of Llantarnam Abbey. At the last Mass in the chapel, Sr Susan presented them to Fr Daniel and now our parish is the custodian of them.

Lord, we thank you for the gift of Saint David Lewis as our local Saint and Martyr. He was faithful to Christ even to the point of accepting martyrdom for His sake. Help us to do all we can to promote devotion to him. Increase our own faith, and by his prayers, grant us the courage to follow his example of love and the grace of conversion for all who seek the truth. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen. Saint David Lewis, pray for us.

Saint David Lewis, pray for Wales.

Sr Celsus SSI

