

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

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12<sup>th</sup> November 2023

32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalter: Week 4

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| <b>Saturday: St Martin of Tours</b>                                    | 9.10am<br><b>9.30am</b><br>10.15am<br>10.15am<br>12noon                        | <b>St David's</b>   | Morning Prayer<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + Holy Souls Lists<br>Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until</i> 11.15am<br>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>until</i> 11.15am<br>Baptism of Wesson and Powell Family members                     |
| <b>Saturday/Sunday 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>         | 4.15pm<br><b>5.00pm</b><br><b>9.30am</b><br><b>11.15am</b><br>8.00pm           | <b>St David's</b><br><br>Facebook Live  | Reconciliation until 4.45pm<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + DHS Sisters and Associates (AD&CD)<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + For the Dead of War<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + Ted and Catherine Forrest and Cy Jones (MJ)<br>Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries |
| <b>Monday: St Dyfrig</b>   | 9.10am<br><b>9.30am</b><br>2.00pm<br>6.30pm<br>8.00pm                          | <b>St David's</b><br><br><b>Our Lady's</b><br>St Anne's room<br>Facebook Live | Morning Prayer<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + Zbigniew Konieczny (BK)<br>Secular Franciscan Meeting (Presbytery office)<br>Alpha Course<br>Holy Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries   |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>  | 9.10am<br><b>9.30am</b><br>10.00am<br>8.00pm                                   | <b>St David's</b><br><br>Facebook Live  | Morning Prayer<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + Lawrence Crowley (B&JS)<br>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11am<br>Holy Rosary: The Sorrowful Mysteries   |
| <b>Wednesday</b>   | <b>10.30am</b><br>8.00pm   | <b>St David's</b><br>Facebook Live  | <b>Requiem Mass for Sr Madeleine Sophie SSJ</b><br>Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries   |
| <b>Thursday:</b>   | 9.20am<br><b>9.45am</b><br>7.30pm<br>8.00pm                                    | <b>St David's</b><br><br>Facebook Live  | Morning Prayer<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + John Cullen (SVP)<br>Parish Prayer Group (St Anne's room)<br>Holy Rosary: The Luminous Mysteries   |
| <b>Friday: St Elizabeth of Hungry</b>                                  | <b>9.30am</b><br>3.00pm<br>8.00pm  | <b>OLA's School</b><br>Facebook Live<br>Facebook Live                         | <b>Holy Mass:</b> + Holy Souls Lists<br>Divine Mercy Devotions<br>Holy Rosary: The Sorrowful Mysteries   |
| <b>Saturday: Dedication of the Basilicas of Peter and Paul in Rome</b> | 9.10am<br><b>9.30am</b><br>10.15am<br>10.15am                                  | <b>St David's</b>   | Morning Prayer<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> The People of the Parish<br>Sacrament of Reconciliation, <i>until</i> 11.15am<br>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>until</i> 11.15am  |
| <b>Saturday/Sunday 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>         | 4.15pm<br><b>5.00pm</b><br>6.00pm<br><b>9.30am</b><br><b>11.15am</b><br>8.00pm | <b>St David's</b><br><br>Facebook Live  | Reconciliation until 4.45pm<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + Eileen Roderick (S&PS)<br>Caritas Prayer Vigil<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + Rose and Jack Clifford (MW)<br><b>Holy Mass:</b> + Frank Brennan (F)<br>Holy Rosary: The Glorious Mysteries       |

**PLEASE NOTE:**  
Friday Mass at OLA School

**Second Collection: Sick and Retired Priests Appeal**

The second collection is for the Sick and Retired Clergy Fund. This fund ensures that every retired priest can receive a dignified retirement with provision of a suitable home and an appropriate quality of life. 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. Gift Aid envelopes are available in the church porches.

**Food Bank collection this weekend**

**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, Ivorna Ward, Chris Mulcahy, Fr Kevin Paine and Caroline Paine, Imelda Smith, Malcolm and, Sam McCausland, Terry Mahoney, Shelagh & Ray Mills, Jill Hudd, Shaun Worsfold, Michael Barry, Diane Pearce, Rose James, Paul Taylor, Michael Keohane, David MacDonald, Doreen Whatley, Robert Hayton, Jim Sheehy, Pat Price, Teresa Bruce, Josie and David Woods, Sheila Fotheringham, John Jordan, Christine O'Shea, Pauline Loughlin, Jean Crowley, Teddy, Lois Terry, Joan Gallagher, Josie Mahoney, Kevin Pinkey, David Mullins, Christine, Lily Farr and Peter Anslow

**Requiescant in Pace** - Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Sr Madeleine Sophie, Geoffrey James and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Advent 2023**

Advent marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. As well as being a time of new beginnings, Advent is a time of expectation and preparation, where we await the second coming of the Lord, as well as His immediate coming at Christmas. It is this 'longing' and 'expectation' which distinguishes it from other seasons of the Church's year.

I pray that this Advent may be a fruitful season as we "await with blessed hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ".

**Bambinelli Sunday** - Pope John Paul II, during his papacy, instituted the celebration of Bambinelli Sunday on the Third Sunday of Advent – a day on which children from Rome bring to St. Peter's Square the figurine of the Christ Child from their families' Nativity sets. I invite you to bring the figures of the Child Jesus from your Nativity Scenes at home to Mass over the weekend of the **Third Sunday of Advent (16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> December)** for them to be blessed during Mass.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** -

As well as Confessions being available at the normal times, visiting priests from the deanery will be available at St. David's Church on **Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023** from **6:00pm**.

**Closing the Doors**

As the temperature continues to drop, I would be grateful if the outside doors could remain closed to keep the heat in. Thank you for your understanding.

**St David's Church Cleaning**

A short meeting is being held on Sunday 12th November at 10.45am in St Non's room regarding church cleaning.

**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.

**Crib Offerings** – The Archbishop has asked that this year's Crib Offerings go towards two causes: the work of Caritas Cardiff, and aid for Christians in the Holy Land through the work of *Friends of the Holy Land* and *Knights and Dames of the Holy Sepulchre*.

**SVP Collection**

A big thank you for your generous donations to the recent SVP collection which amounted to £932.42. With this money we are able to carry out invaluable work within our parish assisting many individuals and families on a weekly basis. Once again, thank you for your generosity and continued support.

**Parish Diary**

**Alpha Course:** The programme runs every Monday in St Anne's room at 6.30pm

**Annual Mass for Deceased Clergy**

The Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November beginning at 1.00pm.

**Holy Mass & Torchlight Procession** on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on 8<sup>th</sup> December, beginning at 7:00pm at the Cardiff Oratory.

**Parish Carol Service:** Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, beginning at 6:00pm at Our Lady's Church.

**World Day of the Poor**

Pope Francis has declared next Sunday, 19 November, to be the 7<sup>th</sup> World Day of the Poor with the theme "Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor". He asks us to be realistic and practical in whatever we do with and for the poor, adding that caring for the poor is more than simply a matter of a hasty hand-out. "Whenever we encounter a poor person," he writes "we cannot look away, for that would prevent us from encountering the face of the Lord Jesus."

Next Saturday 18/11 you are all invited to a simple Prayer Vigil from 6 – 6.30 pm in St. David's led by Sr. Anne. It will be a time, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to reflect on Pope Francis' words, to give thanks for the many Good Samaritans - and to see where the Holy Spirit may be leading us.