

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

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14th July 2024

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Psalter: Week 3

Saturday:	9.10am 9.30am 10.15am 10.15am 12noon	Our Lady's	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: The People of the Parish Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament <i>until 11.15am</i> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11.15am</i> Baptism: Edward Barnaby Lynch
Saturday/Sunday 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time	4.15pm 5.00pm 8.00pm 9.30am 11.15am 8.00pm	St David's Facebook Live Our Lady's St David's Facebook Live	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm</i> Holy Mass: + Colleen Brennan (TD) Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries Holy Mass: + Michael Keohane (M&CM) <i>After Mass tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room</i> Holy Mass: + Margaret Hargaden (DP) Holy Rosary: Glorious Mysteries
Monday: St. <i>Bonaventure</i>	9.10am 9.30am 8.00pm	Our Lady's Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: + Sean Gilgunn (PJ) Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries
Tuesday: Our Lady of <i>Mount Carmel</i>	9.10am 9.30am 10.00am 8.00pm	St David's Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: + Charles Cadogan (JC) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>until 11.00am</i> Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries
Wednesday:	8.00pm	Facebook Live	Holy Rosary: Glorious Mysteries
Thursday:	9.10am 9.30am 7.30pm 8.00pm	St David's Our Lady's Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: Thanksgiving (MVdM) Prayer Group (St. Anne's Room) Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries
Friday:	9.10am 9.30am 10.00am 8.00pm	Our Lady's Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: + Charles Smith (KL) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, <i>until 11.00am</i> <i>After Mass:</i> Tea and Coffee in the St. Anne's Room Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries
Saturday: St. <i>Apollinaris</i>	9.10am 9.30am 10.15am 10.15am	Our Lady's	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: + Veronica Collins (MW) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11.15am <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11.15am</i>
Saturday/Sunday 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time	4.15pm 5.00pm 8.00pm 9.30am 11.15am 8.00pm	St David's Facebook Live Our Lady's St David's Facebook Live	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm</i> Holy Mass: + Eileen Gibbs & John Martin (MBM) Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries Holy Mass: + Rose & Jack Clifford (MW) <i>After Mass tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room</i> Holy Mass: + Robert French (TF) Holy Rosary: Glorious Mysteries

Advance Notice: The Saturday evening Vigil Mass on **Saturday, 24th August** will be celebrated at **Our Lady's Church**. During the Mass we will celebrate with the Celtic Club for their centenary. Followed by BBQ. More information soon.

PARISH NEWS

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 Williams, Terry and Janet Mahoney, Shelagh & Ray Mills, Jill Hudd, Shaun Worsfold, Michael Barry, Diane Pearce, Rose James, Paul Taylor, Doreen Whatley, Robert Hayton, Jim Sheehy, Pat Price, Teresa Bruce, Josie and David Woods, Sheila Fotheringham, John Jordan, Christine O'Shea, Teddy, Lois Terry, Joan Gallagher, Josie Mahoney, Christine, Lily Farr, Peter Anslow, Derek Powell, George Batterick, Veronica Williams, Monica James, Mary Peacock, Maureen Van de Meer.

Requiescant in Pace - Of your charity please pray for all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Process of Union of the Diocese of Menevia and Archdiocese of Cardiff

In December 2023, Archbishop Mark informed us via newsletter and video about the possible unification of the Dioceses of Cardiff and Menevia. In January, we published details of the "Open Listening" sessions' dates and locations. Over the following months, he travelled across both dioceses to gather people's views on the proposed unification and the church in general. A total of 605 people, including clergy and laity, attended the 42 meetings. The Archbishop has now submitted his dossier to the Nuncio, who will relay it to the Holy See.

Here is an update from Archbishop Mark:

You will all be aware that the process in terms of meetings – 42 in total – was completed at the end of May. I spent the past few weeks reviewing the material and preparing my own "Votum" (letter) to the Holy Father to accompany the dossier. I am very grateful to all who took part in the Listening Process, and engaged in the "conversations in the Spirit" at the open meetings. Thank you, too, to those who wrote letters. I believe that the process to date was fruitful, not only in gathering views on the proposed unification, but also in highlighting areas of focus for us in the coming years, in order to continue our journey along the Synodal Way and making this very much mission-focussed.

I have now submitted several copies of the dossier to the Nuncio for him to relay to the Holy See. Apart from personal letters to me, we will release the full dossier in September. I want to leave a few months to ensure that this has arrived with the Holy Father, before doing so, which I am sure you understand. However, I do share with you, the summary statistics on the straw polling that was taken about unification, together with a synopsis of the themes that emerged through the 'conversations in the Spirit' with clergy, religious and lay faithful.

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.

In regard to these themes, I am currently putting together a "Think tank for Mission" – a group of laity, religious and clergy – to explore a Vision for Mission for us, following a synodal path. This will be to assist us all, whether as a unified diocese, or as working more closely as two dioceses, depending on what the Holy See decides. We await that decision, hopefully, sometime in the Autumn.

In the meantime, I ask you to continue to pray for all in our two Dioceses so that we may continue to explore how best to 'look outwards' in mission to those who do not believe and to those who are in need. We pray too, for the work of the Holy See, in assisting and guiding Dioceses in these important and sensitive discernments. Please pray for me, too.

Archbishop Mark O'Toole
Archbishop of Cardiff

Parish Diary

Tuesday Club 16th July: Lunch at the Mount Pleasant Pub at 1.30pm. Menus are available from Carole

Sunday, 18th August 2024. Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Penrhys: Pilgrim Mass of the Assumption of Our Lady at 11am at the foot of the statue

Saturday, 7th September - Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St David Archbishop Mark will be leading a pilgrimage to the Shrine of St David on Saturday 7th September. Those wishing to travel on the coach, the cost will be £25 per person you can now book online via <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/select/RdiEJKhzXNnT> (a booking charge applies to online bookings).

Summer Holidays

At the end of this week our schools begin their summer holidays. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our teachers, teaching assistants, and pupils for their hard work and dedication over the last academic year. Please remember in your prayers our Year Six classes who transition to their High Schools.

Enjoy your rest! God bless, Fr. Daniel