

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

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**Parish News**



Just to make everyone aware the Sanctuary is always being live streamed.

**PLEASE NOTE- The Sacristy is a place for preparation and prayer. With this in mind Father will be unavailable to meet with anyone 10 minutes before Mass as he takes the required time to prepare himself.**

**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, Iverna Ward, Chris Mulcahy, Fr Kevin Paine and Caroline Paine, Imelda Smith, Malcolm Williams, Terry and Janet Mahoney, Ray Mills, Michael Barry, Diane Pearce, Rose James, Paul Taylor, Doreen Whatley, Phyllis Whatley, Robert Hayton, Jim Sheehy, Pat Price, Teresa Bruce, David Woods, John Jordan, Christine O'Shea, Teddy, Lois Terry, Joan Gallagher, Josie Mahoney, Lily Farr, George Batterick, Veronica Williams, Monica James, Mary Peacock, Maureen Van de Meer, Charlie Davies, Brian Moon, Ann Cahill, Gerard Saulters .

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

**Advent to Christmas**

**Third Sunday of Advent (14/15th December) Bambinelli Sunday** You are invited to bring the figures of the Child Jesus from your Nativity Scenes at home to Mass over this weekend for them to be blessed during Mass.

**Fourth Sunday of Advent (21/22nd December)**

Mass times: Saturday 5pm St David's  
Sunday 9.30am Our Lady's  
11.15am St David's

After Mass a festive coffee morning will be held in St Anne's room. Money received will be donated to the crib fund.

**The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ**

**Christmas Mass Times**

**Christmas Eve (24<sup>th</sup> December)**

4:00pm – Family Mass (Our Lady's)  
6:00pm – Family Mass (St. David's)  
9:00pm – Mass of the Night (Our Lady's)

**Christmas Day (25<sup>th</sup> December)**

9:00am – Mass of the Dawn (Our Lady's)  
10:30am – Mass of the Day (St. David's)

**NO Evening Mass**

**100 Club**

In the new year we will be organising the 100 Club. This will be a great way to not only raise money for the Parish but the chance for you to win as well. Please keep an eye out for further information coming soon.

**Special Thanks**

Special Thanks to Fr Richard Pain and Rev Peter McLaren for celebrating the masses this week while Fr Daniel is away.

**Advent Prayer by Henri Nouwen**

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.

We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light. To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"

**Parish Diary**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December-** Parish Carol Service, 6pm Our Lady's Church. Refreshments in St Anne's Room afterwards.

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December-** Tuesday Club, 1.30pm St Anne's Room. The guest speaker this week is John Sheen his theme is Four boys and a pasty! This is our last meeting until the New Year.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December-** Brother Illtyd Ordination at Cardiff Oratory. Festive brunch in St Anne's Room ahead of going to Cardiff.

**11/12<sup>th</sup> January 2025-** Feast of Baptism of Our Lord, those Baptised in the last year are invited to join our celebration.

**Latest SVP News**

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!!**

We just can't believe the generosity of our parish!! Our church collections raised a staggering £1683.42. We then received an amazing anonymous cash donation to the church office, so a special thanks to this anonymous benefactor.

Thank you all so much for your continued support & generosity. With these funds we will be able to make a real & positive impact to those most in need in this parish. We wish you & your families a Happy, Holy Christmas & a Healthy New Year.

Your SVP

**Additional Confession Times**

There will be additional confession times at Our Lady's in December on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 8.45am-9.15am before Mass and Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 6-7pm.

**Food Bank**

The last Food Bank collection for Christmas will be this weekend. As always, we appreciate your ongoing support and generosity.

**3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024**

**Second Sunday of Advent Year C**

**Psalter: Week 2**

<b>Saturday:</b>			<b>No Services due to adverse weather warnings</b>
<b>Saturday/Sunday Second Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>5.00pm 8.00pm 9.30am  11.15am 8.00 pm</b>	<b>St David's Facebook Live Our Lady's  St David's Facebook Live</b>	<b>Holy Mass: + Frank Brennan (Fam)</b> <i>Holy Rosary, The Joyful Mysteries</i> <b>Holy Mass: + Jack and Rose Clifford (MW)</b> <i>After Mass tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room &amp; Table Top Sale</i> <b>Holy Mass: + Frances Evans (EW)</b> <i>Holy Rosary, The Glorious Mysteries</i>
<b>Monday: The Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M. (Solemnity)</b>	<b>11.00am 6.30pm 8.00pm</b>	<b>Our Lady's Our Lady's Facebook Live</b>	<b>Holy Mass: The People of the Parish</b> Alpha Course- How Does God Guide Us? St Anne's Room <i>Holy Rosary, The Joyful Mysteries</i>
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>8.00pm</b>	<b>Facebook Live</b>	<i>Holy Rosary, The Sorrowful Mysteries</i>
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>8.00pm</b>	<b>Facebook Live</b>	<i>Holy Rosary, The Glorious Mysteries</i>
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>7.30pm 8.00pm</b>	<b>Our Lady's Facebook live</b>	Parish Praise in St Anne's room <i>Holy Rosary, The Luminous Mysteries</i>
<b>Friday: St Lucy</b>	<b>9.30am 10.00am 8.00pm</b>	<b>Our Lady's  Facebook Live</b>	<b>Eucharistic Service</b> <i>After the Service tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room</i> <i>Holy Rosary, The Sorrowful Mysteries</i>
<b>Saturday:</b>			<b>No Services this morning</b>
<b>Saturday/Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent Bambinelli Sunday</b>	<b>4.15pm 5.00pm 8.45am 9.30am  11.15am</b>	<b>St David's  Our Lady's Our Lady's  St David's</b>	<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm</i> <b>Holy Mass: + Mary Brennon (Fam)</b> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 9.15am</i> <b>Holy Mass: + Jayne Cahill (NC)</b> <i>After the Service tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room</i> <b>Holy Mass: + Stella and Michael Bradley (MM)</b>

**School Admission 2025**

If your child will be 4 before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 you can now apply for Reception Class. Admissions for Our Lady of the Angels RC Primary School and St David's RC Primary School are now open.

Our Lady of the Angels RC Primary School  
<https://www.ourladystorfaen.co.uk/school-admissions/>

St. David's RC Primary School  
[head.stdavidsprimary@torfaen.gov.uk](mailto:head.stdavidsprimary@torfaen.gov.uk)  
01633 482580

**Parish Games Night**

We will be holding a Parish Games Night end of January as a way to get us all together and have some fun. Do you have what it takes to take on our Parish Chaser? We will have fish and chip supper followed by a Quiz. So why not blow the January blues away by joining us. Question is ... Can you beat the chaser?

Keep an eye out for more information.