

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID CWMBRAN

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Parish News

CCTV 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: Ann Pitchforth, Tina Cordani, Iverna Ward, Chris Mulcahy, Fr Kevin Paine and Caroline Paine, Imelda Smith, Malcolm Williams, Terry Mahoney, Michael Barry, Diane Pearce, Rose James, Paul Taylor, Doreen Whatley, Robert Hayton, Jim Sheehy, John Jordan, Christine O'Shea, Teddy, Lois Terry, Josie Mahoney, Lily Farr, Monica James, Charlie Davies, Brian Moon, Janet Gleeson, Katie Whitehouse, Elaine Woolfall, Betty Small, Pauline and Michael Loughlin, Louise Fitzgerald, Andrew Morgan, Angela Davies, Rozalia Grimas, Mary Peacock.

Requiescant in Pace - Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Crowley, Maureen O'Brien, Bernard Kent, Eileen Lovis, Veronica Williams, Melanie Brunton, Ann Cahill, and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Parish Diary

Tuesday 28th April- Tuesday Club Guest Speaker Chris John. Topic is The life and music of Ivor Novello

Sunday, 24th May 2026 – Pentecost at the Parkway. This year, Fr. Matthew Roche-Saunders, Director of Priestly Vocations and Youth Mission for the Archdiocese, will be preaching and meeting the youth of the parish.

Saturday 6th June 2026 - First Holy Communion this year takes place at St David's Church at 11.00am for St David's children, and then at Our Lady's Church at 2.00pm Our Lady's children.

7th – 11th August 2026 – Parish pilgrimage to Fatima.

**Good Shepherd Sunday
Day of Prayer for Vocations**

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is always designated 'Vocations Sunday', or 'Good Shepherd Sunday. As Catholics we all know that God is calling us and has a plan for each of us. He called each of us by name through our Baptism to holiness. He continues to call and cry out to us each day to be his disciples, some to the married life, some to the priesthood or the diaconate, some to religious life or to live as kind single people. Everybody is called! What is God calling you to?

This weekend, Archbishop Mark has prepared a Pastoral Letter, to be read at all of the Masses. This will be available on the diocesan and parish websites, and also on the social media pages.

Let us pray each day for vocations.

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

A Message from Fr. Daniel...

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Each year, the great solemnity of Pentecost draws us together in a special way. On this joyful and Spirit-filled day we come together as one parish family, united in faith and united in mission, to seek a renewed outpouring of the Holy Spirit. On Pentecost Sunday, **24th May 2026**, our celebration of Mass takes place at the Parkway Hotel, with Holy Mass **beginning at 10.30am**. This will be the only weekend celebration of Mass that weekend in the parish; there will be no Vigil Mass on Saturday evening. This year, it is a great joy to be able to welcome Fr. Matthew Roche-Saunders, who will speak to us.

Pentecost reminds us that the Church was not born in comfort or uniformity, but rather in unity through diversity – people of different tongues and backgrounds made one through the power of the Spirit. This is such a beautiful reflection on our own parish of Cwmbran, where we are many and varied, yet *“one body, one spirit in Christ”*, as the Eucharistic Prayer proclaims. This is something for us to truly celebrate!

As we gather for our annual *Pentecost at the Parkway celebration*, let us open our hearts anew to the power of the Holy Spirit, who transforms us, strengthens us, and binds us together in faith and charity.

Our annual *Pentecost at the Parkway* celebration is more than a matter of convenience; it is a visible sign of our communion. It expresses who we truly are – one parish, one people, united in Jesus Christ. I invite you, if you are able, to wear red for Pentecost as a sign of this communion in the Spirit. I am so grateful to the staff and students of our schools for the contribution they make to our annual celebration.

I pray that our participation in our Pentecost celebration may deepen our love for one another and be a witness of faith to the wider community.

Yours faithfully in Christ,

Fr. Daniel Stanton

26th April 2026

Fourth Sunday of Eastertide

Psalter: Week 4

Saturday: Fourth Sunday of Easter Good Shepherd Sunday	9.40am 10.00am 12.00pm 4.15pm 5.00pm 8.00pm	Our Lady's St David's St David's Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: People of the Parish <i>After Mass: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11.30am</i> <i>After Mass: Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11.30am</i> Baptism: Silcocks Family <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation until 4.45pm</i> Holy Mass: + Charles Cadogan (JC) Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries
Sunday:	9.30am 11.15am 8.00pm	Our Lady's St David's Facebook Live	Holy Mass: + Mary Crowley (PL) <i>After Mass: Tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room</i> Holy Mass: + Sheila Fotheringham (TB) Holy Rosary: Glorious Mysteries
Monday:	9.10am 9.30am 8.00pm	Our Lady's Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: + Melanie Brunton (Brimble Family) Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries
Tuesday:	9.20am 9.45am 10.30am 8.00pm	St David's Llwyncelyn Facebook Live	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: + Ann Cahill (DP) Burial of Ashes: Phyllis Whatley Holy Rosary: Sorrowful Mysteries
Wednesday:	8.00pm	Facebook Live	Holy Rosary: Glorious Mysteries
Thursday: <i>Pope St. Pius V</i>	12.30pm 4.00pm 7.30pm 8.00pm	Our Lady's Our Lady's St. Anne's Facebook Live	Requiem Mass for Bernard Kent Reception of Body: Melanie Brunton Prayer Group Holy Rosary: Luminous Mysteries
Friday: <i>St. Joseph the Worker</i>	10.30pm 8.00pm	Our Lady's Facebook Live	Requiem Mass for Melanie Brunton Holy Rosary: Sorrowful Mysteries
Saturday: <i>St. Athanasius</i>	9.40am 10.00am 12.00pm	Our Lady's Our Lady's	Morning Prayer Holy Mass: +Vera Connolly (SVP) <i>After Mass: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11.30am</i> <i>After Mass: Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11.30am</i> Baptism: Aurelia Ida Worsfold
Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter	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: + Phyllis Whatley (JC) Holy Rosary: Joyful Mysteries Holy Mass: + Veronica Williams (AB) <i>After Mass: Tea and coffee morning in St Anne's Room</i> Holy Mass: + Betty Prys (AJ) Holy Rosary: Glorious Mysteries

The next Bereavement Mass takes place at Our Lady's Church on **Saturday, 9th May 2026**, beginning at **10:00am**, followed by refreshments. During this Mass, we will especially remember our parishioners who passed away between October 2025 and March 2026. The Parish Office will send personal invitations out to all families. May they rest in peace.