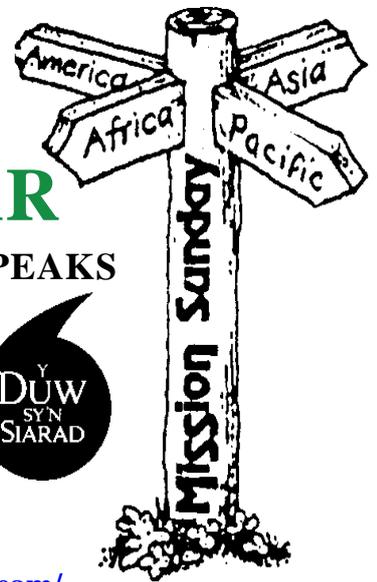




# SAINT HELEN'S PARISH 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY of the YEAR

THE YEAR OF THE WORD – THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

18<sup>th</sup> October 2020



## LIVE STREAM

Drop into church anytime you want!

Simply go to <https://sthelensaerphilly.com/st-helens-live-stream/>  
and you can join in morning rosary, pray daily Mass,  
or just enjoy a little quiet time in the sanctuary.

## APART FROM ME, ALL IS NOTHING

### THE WORD THIS WEEK

For Caesar, or for God? Enemies conspire to set a trap for Jesus, who springs it on them: – rather than an impoverishing 'either/or', like the Psalmist Christ sings 'a new song', suggesting all the riches of 'both and'. In the story of Cyrus, the prophet tells how God is not limited to our binary vision, but is happy to enrol a foreign, pagan emperor to do his will and restore his people. So all things, and all of us can give glory to God, showing Faith in action, working for love, and persevering in hope.

### SUNDAY MASS: (Psalter: Week 1)

#### Gathering Antiphon (6.30pm):

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God;  
turn your ear to me, hear my words.  
Guard me as the apple of your eye,  
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Response: he Lord speaks peace to his people.

#### Isaiah 45: 1, 4 – 6.

*I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue nations before him.*

Response: **Psalm 95.**

R/. Give the Lord glory and power.

#### 1 Thessalonians 1: 4 – 5.

*We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope.*

Acclamation for the Gospel:

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

You will shine in the world like bright stars  
because you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

#### Matthew 22: 15 – 21.

*Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.*

Prayer of the Faithful: R/. Lord, graciously hear us.

Preface and Eucharistic Prayer: of Reconciliation ii.

#### Communion Antiphon (6.30pm):

The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.



GATHERING  
FOR WORSHIP



GROWING IN  
COMMUNITY



GOING OUT  
IN LOVE

## MASS AND SERVICES DURING THE WEEK:

Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct		<b>29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY of the YEAR</b> <b>Mission Sunday</b> Mona + Gordon Clinch (JO'B)	
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<b>6.30pm</b>	for the People of the Parish ( <i>Live-streamed</i> )	
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.40am 10.00am	Rosary Geraldine + Roger Holmes Ruby Wedding (G+GJ)	
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.40am 10.00am	Rosary Thanksgiving (TT) ( <i>Public Mass</i> )	
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	9.40am 10.00am 2.00 – 4.00pm	Rosary L + G Verver Intention <i>Exposition and Adoration</i>	
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	9.40am 10.00am	Rosary Pauline Burns + Family Intention (MB)	
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	9.40am 10.00am	Rosary Margherita Antoniazzi (LA) ( <i>Public Mass</i> )	
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.40am	Rosary	
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<b>6.30pm</b> <b>10.30am</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY of the YEAR</b> for the People of the Parish for Teachers and School Staffs ( <i>Live-streamed</i> )	

## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

At any time by prior arrangement with the priest (outside).

**The PARISH PRAYER LIST:** Among all those we pray for in this time, we continue to remember all suffering from the virus and its effects. We remember also:

Teresa Meade	Rosa Channon	Graham Jenkins	Sandra Bray	Lloyd Jones
Cecelia Mawby	David Mabey	Isobel Cummins	Pauline Richards	Margaret Jones
Carol Morrissey	Claris Howell	Anne Morgan	Pat Starynski	Yvonne Grandon
Martyn Western	Marjorie Gurney	Carmen Agius	Lowela Teves	Joe Marengi
Pamela and Keith Griffiths	Pat + Pino Emanuelli	Mary & Wilson Brown	John Maguire	John Maguire
Katrin Merry	Sian Thomas	Maura Coll	Winifred Benedict	Albert Carley
Mary + Colin Everson				

**PLEASE PRAY ALSO** for the repose of the soul of Anthony John Boyce who died on Wednesday.

**PRAYER CYCLE FOR OUR DIOCESE:** We pray for the People of Saint Gabriel, Ringland, part of All Saints Pastoral Area, Newport, led by Revd. Michael Doyle, and for Saint Gabriel's Primary School.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Rob Thomas, elected Chair of Governors of Saint Helen's Primary School, and Amy Jenner elected Vice-Chair.

And a great **THANK YOU** to Angela Jones for her 'steady hand on the tiller' as Chair, and Vice-chair, over many years.

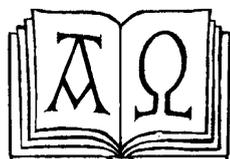


World Mission Sunday

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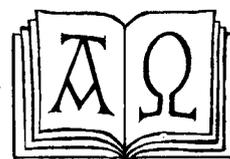
"Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth."

(Gospel Acclamation, 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday)



"The Bible was written by the People of God for the People of God, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Only in this communion with the People of God can we truly enter as a 'we' into the heart of the truth that God himself wishes to convey to us".

Saint Jerome



**SCRIPTURE STUDY**, now on **Wednesday**, 7.30pm. Join in via the Parish facebook page.

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Today is the feast day of Saint Luke, writer of the 'missionary Gospel' and of the Acts of the Apostles, telling the tale of the spreading of the Gospel.

So Today is also **World Mission Sunday**, a day to support our missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. By supporting **Missio**, the Pope's charity for world mission, you will help missionaries share the love of Christ with those most in need. Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio's website - <https://missio.org.uk> - to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation, if possible: missio.org.uk Thank you

Please remember this year that due to the pandemic, we have not been able to welcome the usual visit of a missionary making a personal appeal, nor been able to gather the contents of the Red Mission Boxes so the Church's mission work is suffering financially.

**SOMETHING FOR THE CHILDREN!** Click here: <https://missio.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/WMS2020-Childrens-Activity-Sheet-18-October.pdf> for the World Mission Sunday activity sheet for children.

Today. Tomorrow. Together.  
**missio**



**CATECHESIS RE-COMMENCES!** Or, in English,

we are starting 'faith-sharing' again at last, thank God!

On Tuesday evening the **COMMUNION CATECHISTS CONFER**, to look at starting in the new year.

On Thursday evening, we restart the **BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR PARENTS** via zoom. Families who have registered will receive the zoom code on Tuesday. The session will start promptly at 7pm, but from 6.45 we will be gathering, logging in, learning each others' names, recognising friends, adjusting our cameras, making connections, sorting out our audio, setting out 'zoom-use protocols', etc. See you there!

To accommodate the Baptism Preparation, **BIBLE STUDY** will move to Wednesday evenings for the next few weeks: Why not come and join us!



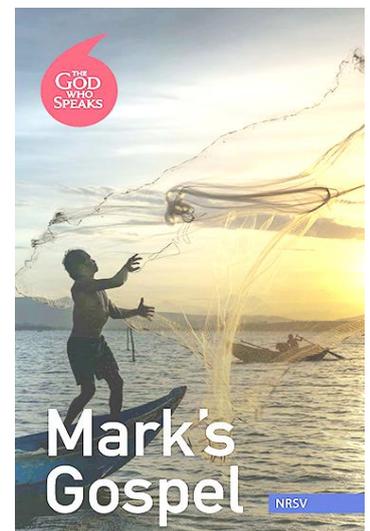
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**THANK YOU ALL** for a generous **CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY COLLECTION** in church: £ 581.45 was raised in the plate (with help from Gabe Dacey's overflowing cafod box). We hope as much was raised from those who could not get to Mass donating online, via [www.Cafod.org.uk](http://www.Cafod.org.uk), the excellent website where you can also get lots of information and inspiration..

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**LOOKING FORWARD** to Advent and the new year (yes, it won't be long) the 'Year of the Word' team has produced beautiful copies of **The Gospel of Mark**, which we will read next year, starting from Advent. The Parish will obtain a supply for distribution.

To go with it they have produced a series of posters: the first two, **Fish with Mark** and a **Whistle-stop Tour of Mark's gospel**, can be downloaded, for free, from here - <https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-god-who-speaks/bible-society/>. Colourful and easy to follow, they would be a great way to help your children to get to know Mark, and through him to grow to know Jesus.



## SAINT HELEN'S VIRTUAL COMMUNITY CENTRE – THIS WEEK:

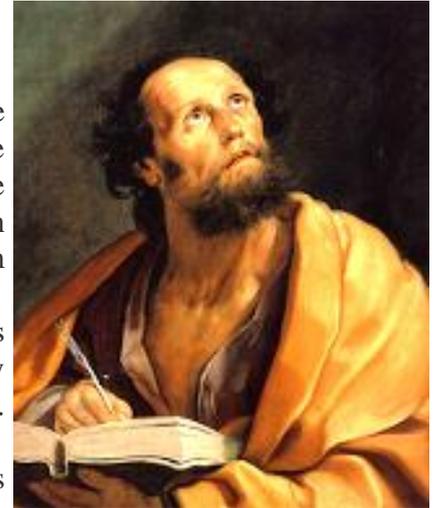
Date	Time	Event
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> October	7.00pm	Communion Catechists Confer
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> October	7.30pm	Scripture Study: <i>Via Saint Helen's Facebook</i>
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	7.00pm	Baptism Preparation for Parents
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> October	10.30am	SUNDAY MASS: <a href="https://sthelenscaerphilly.com/st-helens-live-stream/">https://sthelenscaerphilly.com/st-helens-live-stream/</a>
	11.30am	'Coffee Morning': <i>Via Saint Helen's Facebook</i>

### Saint of the Month – SAINT LUKE – October 18th

Saint Luke's two-volume work comprises the third **Gospel** and the **Acts of the Apostles**. His Gospel is the only one written by a Gentile Christian and it is likely that he wrote it between 70 and 85 AD. Luke was thorough in his research and interviewed eye-witnesses when composing his works. Luke's writing is warm and his Gospel is often summarised as the Gospel of Mercy.

Luke was a disciple of Paul, first appearing in Acts during Paul's second missionary journey to Philippi. He was a faithful missionary companion of Paul's and stayed nearby when Paul was imprisoned. Paul refers to Luke as "our beloved physician".

St. Luke is the Patron Saint of Artists and Painters, and of Physicians and Surgeons. His symbol is an ox.



*Saint Luke, Guido Reni, 1621, Source: WikiArt*

### THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Part One: **THE PROFESSION OF FAITH.** Section One: **'I Believe' – 'We Believe'**

Chapter 3: **Man's Response to God.** Article 1: **I Believe.**

**1: The Obedience of Faith: - 'Abraham, father of all who believe'**

(146) Abraham thus fulfils the definition of faith in *Hebrews 11:1*: "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen": (*Heb 11:1*) "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness."

(*Rom 4:3; cf. Gen 15:6*) Because he was "strong in his faith", Abraham became the "father of all who believe" (*Rom 4:3; cf. Gen 15:6*).

(*Catechism of the Catholic Church 1992*)

"We know that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction."  
*Saint Paul to the Thessalonians*

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