



SAINT HELEN'S PARISH
33rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

THE YEAR OF THE WORD – THE GOD WHO SPEAKS
 15th November 2020



Stretch out your hand
 to the poor
 2020



LIVE STREAM



<https://sthelenscaerphilly.com/st-helens-live-stream/>

Children's Liturgy of the Word

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1rLKNcrpYwCL44k_Ng8RPjsDXSitXrRwjXmfj_tY4cUg/edit

HE ENTRUSTED HIS PROPERTY TO THEM

THE WORD THIS WEEK

“You are children of the light and children of the day. So we should not go on sleeping, like everyone else”. Following Saint Paul’s wake-up call, Jesus also calls us to recognise the tremendous gifts God gives us, and start working with them, to God’s greater glory (which is man and woman fully alive). In a rather out-dated selection by the lectionary, the example we are given of full use of the talents with which we are endowed is ‘the perfect wife’, a woman multi-tasking.

SUNDAY MASS: (*Psalter: Week 1*)

Gathering Antiphon (6.30pm):

The Lord said: ‘I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Proverbs 31: 10 – 13, 19 – 20, 30 – 31.

A perfect wife – who can find her?

Response: Psalm 127.

R/. O blessed are those who fear the Lord

1 Thessalonians 5: 1 – 6.

Let not the Day of the Lord overtake you like a thief.

Acclamation for the Gospel:

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

Make your home in me as I make mine in you, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

Matthew 25: 14 – 30.

You have been faithful in small things; come and join in your master’s happiness.

Prayer of the Faithful:

R/. Lord, bless your children.

Preface and Eucharistic Prayer:

Masses for various needs iv: Jesus went about going good.

Communion Antiphon (6.30pm):

To be near God is my happiness,
 to place my hope in God the Lord,



WORK FOR THE LORD!



MASS AND SERVICES DURING THE WEEK:

Sat 14 th Nov	6.30pm	33rd SUNDAY of the Year Mervyn Williams (SW) (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Sun 15 th Nov	10.30am	for the People of the Parish (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Mon 16 th Nov	9.45am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer of the Church Requiem for all who have died in the past year
Tues 17 th Nov	9.45am 10.00am	Saint Elizabeth of Hungary , Religious Morning Prayer of the Church Spiro Gauci (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Wed 18 th Nov	9.45am 10.00am 2.00-4.00pm	Morning Prayer of the Church Holy Souls Exposition and Adoration
Thurs 19 th Nov	6.15pm 6.30pm	Morning Prayer of the Church Barbara Jones (JG)
Fri 20 th Nov	9.45am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Holy Souls (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Sat 21 st Nov	am 6.30pm	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary CHRIST THE KING (Youth Sunday) Deceased Members of the Catenians (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Sun 22 nd Nov	10.30am 2.00pm	for the People of the Parish (<i>Public Mass</i>) Baptism of Florence and Sebastian Lewis



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:

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| Teresa Meade | John Maguire | 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 | Katrin Merry | Katrin Merry |
| Sian Thomas | Maura Coll | Winifred Benedict | Albert Carley | William Newton |
| Mary + Colin Everson | | | | |

PLEASE PRAY ALSO

for Rosa Channon who died on Wednesday morning. We offer our condolence to Sandra and John, and all her friends from the shop in Lansbury.

Also for two of our retired Priests: Revd. Michael Ronan who died at the beginning of November, and Revd. (formerly Canon) Ambrose Walsh, who died on Thursday.

May they rest in Peace.

PRAYER CYCLE FOR OUR DIOCESE:

We move from the Newport Deanery to the North Gwent Deanery, where pray for the People and Parish of Our Lady and Saint Michael, Abergavenny, their clergy Dom Matthew Carney and Rev Deacon Dr Andreas Erhardt, the Convent of the Daughters of The Holy Spirit, and their care for Nevill Hall Hospital and Maindiff Court Hospital, and Our Lady and Saint Michael Primary School.

THE YEAR OF THE WORD – THE GOD WHO SPEAKS



“For I see no reason to be ashamed of the Gospel;
it is God’s power for the salvation of everyone who has faith.”

(Romans 1: 16)



CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of the **CAFOD 100 club draw** for the October quarter:

1st prize No.74 N Roberts £75; 2nd prize No.5 B Williams £50; 3rd prize No.78 E.Ryder.



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WORLD DAY OF THE POOR “Stretch forth your hand to the poor” (Sir 7:32)

In his message for the fourth World Day of the Poor, Pope Francis writes that ‘keeping our gaze fixed on the poor is difficult’, but that it is ‘more necessary than ever if we are to give proper direction to our personal life and the life of society.’ He draws on the Book of Sirach as a guide for reflection and action following the pandemic. ‘Now is a good time to recover the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world’, he says. ‘Until we revive our sense of responsibility for our neighbour and for every person, grave economic, financial and political crises will continue.’

There can be no ‘Night Shelter this year, but because of the pandemic there will be more people in need both at home, and on the streets. Individually, and as a Parish, we now need to become conscious of them, observe and note what and where the problems are, and start to organise to help where it is possible.

Please use the ‘Saint Helen’s Caerphilly Support Group’ facebook page to raise issues, offer help, and suggest ways of working together in and for the community. And don’t forget the Food Bank.

THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS.

On **Monday**, at **7pm**, we will celebrate a **REQUIEM MASS** for **All Who Have Died In The Past Year**, both those buried from the Parish, and any others related to us in the family of the Parish. The celebration will be **Live-Streamed** – to join in please go to <https://sthelenscaerphilly.com/st-helens-live-stream/> If you have a family member whom you wish to have named and prayed for at this Mass, please send the details – name, date of death, and relationship to yourself, to the Parish office, caerphilly@rcadc.org.



CHARITY, love for the other, ‘begins at home’ we are told. And real love and charity takes in the whole person, body and soul. In November we traditionally extend that charity to loved ones who have died, with remembrance and prayer. Remembering holds them tight in our hearts. Praying places them in the loving hands of God. Please remember to pray for your loved family members and friends. You may wish to add them to the daily prayer of the Mass by sending their names to the Parish office (caerphilly@rcadc.org) to be added to the lists on the altar.

You may also wish to pray a **NOVENA FOR THE DEAD** produced by the Bishops’ Liturgy Office, starting on this Friday 13th November, and available via <http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Resources/Flu/November-Novena.pdf>.



From the Start of Advent, we will be hearing the Sunday readings from

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MARK

In preparation for this we will have a **CONTINUOUS READING OF THE GOSPEL**, in parts, on Sunday 29th November and Sunday 6th December. For this we need at least

20 readers, from the regular Ministers of the Word, or other volunteers, able to spend a Sunday afternoon on zoom. Prepared texts will be sent out in the next two weeks – Please contact the Parish Office by phone or email if you would like to join in this project.



A (Virtual, Interactive) CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD

has been set up by Claire Boswell, easily accessible each week: this week via

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1rLKNcrpYwCL44k_Ng8RPjsDXSitXrRwjXmfj_tY4cUg/edit. To help you navigate it, there is a ‘user guide at:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Rg2VaNEW7knB2q53prWI-Fg93mUJNmow/view>



SAINT HELEN'S VIRTUAL COMMUNITY – THIS WEEK:

Date	Time	Event
Sat 14 th Nov	6.30pm	SUNDAY MASS: https://sthelenscaerphilly.com/st-helens-live-stream/
Sun 15 th Nov	10.30am 11.30am	SUNDAY MASS: https://sthelenscaerphilly.com/st-helens-live-stream/ 'Coffee Morning': <i>Via Saint Helen's Facebook</i>
Mon 16 th Nov	7.00pm	Requiem for All who Died in the Past Year (<i>Live-stream</i>)
Thur 19 th Nov	7.30pm	Scripture Study: <i>for code contact</i> caerphilly@rcadc.org
Fri 20 th Nov	7.00pm	Finance and Buildings Committee

and then? **RECONCILIATION AND COMMUNION, 2021:**

Despite the delay due to distancing etc., plans are being put in place!



We will start, virtually, with a meeting and introduction for the candidates' Parents on the evening of Tuesday 19th January, and from there on will have fortnightly family gatherings.

If you wish to prepare your child of 7 or over for

these Sacraments, please register via the Parish office – caerphilly@rcadc.org – giving your name, address, mobile, and email, and the child's name, date of Baptism, and present school. Thank you.



ADVENT IS COMING SOON! Here is a website to help you celebrate it with your

children: <https://www.catholiceducation.org/en/culture/catholic-contributions/catholic-traditions-for-advent-and-christmas.html> describes a number of ideas for families to celebrate

Catholic Advent traditions. It provides a brief introduction to the season, stresses the need for us to keep Advent well or be swept up in the purely secular 'pre-Christmas' culture, before giving instructions on 11 'traditions' old and new (Advent wreath, Empty Manger, Jesse Tree, Saint Nicholas Day, Christ Candle, Mary Candle, St Lucy cakes, Nativity Scene, Christmas baking, Blessing of the Christmas Tree, the Great O Antiphons). These are good, simple ideas to make the most of the season, explained well and in simple, accessible language. Parishes could easily 'advertise' these customs and introduce families to them.'



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.**

II: "I Know Whom I Have Believed" (2 Tim 1: 12) To believe in God alone

(150) Faith is first of all a personal adherence of man to God. At the same time, and inseparably, it is a *free assent to the whole truth that God has revealed*. As personal adherence to God and assent to his truth, Christian faith differs from our faith in any human person. It is right and just to entrust oneself wholly to God and to believe absolutely what he says. It would be futile and false to place such faith in a creature. (Cf. Jer 17:5-6; Ps 40:5; 146:3-4)

(Catechism of the Catholic Church 1992)

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