

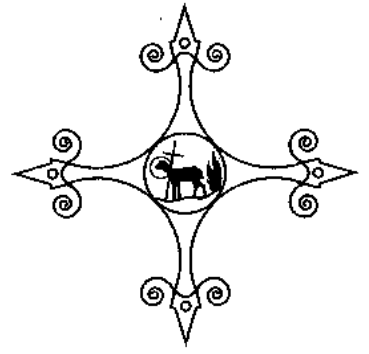


SAINT HELEN'S PARISH
3rd EASTER SUNDAY

Season of Lent + Easter

The Year of the Word

18th April 2021



Alleluia Alleluia
Alleluia

ALLELUIA, CHRIST HAS RISEN!

RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA!

Lord by your Cross and Resurrection

You have set us free, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

THE WORD THIS WEEK

RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA! Here he is again! Once again breaking in to greet them with Easter peace. Jesus keeps turning up in his old haunts, and 'their joy was so great they could not believe it' to prove it is not an illusion, he asks for food and eats, and once again opens the scriptures to them, as he did for the despondent disciples at Emmaus. Peter's preaching repeats this good Jewish approach, using the scriptures to make sense of what is going on now, and to tell his hearers what they need to do. John also reminds us that knowing the risen Christ, and the freedom from sin won for us by his death and resurrection, must change us. 'You are witnesses to this.'

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: (Psalter: Week 3)

Gathering Antiphon:

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name; O render him glorious praise, alleluia!

Acts 3: 13 – 15, 17 – 19.

You killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead.

Response: Psalm 4.

R/. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

1 John 2: 1 – 5.

He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.

Acclamation for the Gospel:

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

Luke 24: 35 – 48.

So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

Prayer of the Faithful: R/. Lord of life, make us dwell in safety.

Preface: of Easter iv. Eucharistic Prayer: iii.

Communion Antiphon:

The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead;

In his name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.



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MASS AND SERVICES DURING THE WEEK:



Sat 17 th April		3rd EASTER SUNDAY
	6.30pm	for the People of the Parish (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Sun 18 th April	10.30am 2.00pm 6.00pm	for the Hungry (<i>Public Mass</i>) Baptism of Gruffydd King for the People of the Parish (<i>Public Mass, Bargoed</i>)
Mon 19 th April	7.15pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer of the Church Canon Patrick Daly
Tues 20 th April	9.45am 10.00am	Saint Beuno, Abbot Morning Prayer of the Church Private Intention (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Wed 21 st April	9.45am 10.00am 2– 4pm	Morning Prayer of the Church Pat Emanuelli (J+DS) Exposition and Adoration
Thurs 22 nd April	9.45am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church C K Intention
Fri 23 rd April	9.45am 10.00am	Saint George, Martyr, Patron of England Morning Prayer of the Church Babu Mathew (VT) (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Sat 24 th April		4th EASTER SUNDAY
	6.30pm	Canon William Isaac (<i>Public Mass</i>)
Sun 25 th April	10.30am 6.00pm	for the People of the Parish (<i>Public Mass</i>) for the People of the Parish (<i>Public Mass, Bargoed</i>)



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

At any time by arrangement with the priest.

Alleluia Alleluia

THE YEAR OF THE WORD – THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

‘Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.’ (Luke 24: 32)



ENCOUNTERING JESUS: The Archdiocese of Cardiff Online Talks start up this month with **Father Tim McGrath giving a talk on “Encountering Jesus as the Messiah in Matthew’s Gospel”** this Saturday, April 24th, from 11am-12.30pm.

How to Access the online talks: You can access the talks on the day via Zoom

at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82409256453?pwd=YktlYnQvWjNzQjI5L0xnZkFsaHNYUT09> ;

meeting ID 824 0925 6453, Passcode 633303. The talks will also appear on YouTube. Please go to the [ACES YouTube channel](#).

Contacts for enquiries: Madeleine Walters at madeleine.walters@rcadc.org or Kate Duffin at kate.duffin@hotmail.co.uk

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:

Eileen Morris	John Maguire	Graham Jenkins	Sandra Bray	Lloyd Jones
Mary Gordine	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	Keith Griffiths
Pino Emanuelli	Katrin Merry	Sian Thomas	Winifred Benedict	Albert Carley
Mary Everson	Maura Coll	Pat Doheney	Gwyn Bishop	Christine Roberts
Beth Jones	Mary & Wilson Brown	Frank Price	Christopher Bray	Richard Elwood

PRAYER CYCLE FOR OUR DIOCESE: Please pray for the People and Parish of Saint Aloysius, Gurnos, for their priest, Revd. Canon Barry English, and their care for Prince Charles Hospital, and Saint Aloysius Primary School.

BAPTISM: Please pray for Gruffydd King, who will be Baptised this (Sunday) afternoon, and for his family setting out to bring him up in the practice of the faith. Please remember also all the children whose Baptism into the gift of faith has been postponed because of the present restrictions, and their families waiting for the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament.



THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

will be celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, 23rd May, in many Parishes of the Archdiocese. Here the **nine patient waiters** are invited to celebrate their call and mission to be full and active members of the Church, the Body of Christ, in our Parish. Please pray for them on this last lap of preparation.

To start off they are invited to meet (on zoom) on Thursday, 6.45 – 7.45pm



LOOKING AT THE SUNDAY SCRIPTURES and preparing to hear them together will continue on Thursdays, but for the next few weeks will start slightly later, at **7.45pm**. All welcome – to join in, please look for the link on the Parish Facebook page, or send an email request to the Parish before Thursday lunch-time.

“Spread the Gospel: Developing a Missionary Parish.”

The Diocesan Evangelisation Commission has through the year of lockdown created this tool and piloted it in several parishes, reviewing, and amending it. The Programme has now been approved by His Grace, Archbishop George Stack. It is a seven-week programme, running for one and half hours via Zoom on one evening a week, delivered by members of the Evangelisation Commission. The dates will be Wednesday, April 21st and 28th, May 5th, 12th and 19th, June 9th and 16th, 2021.

The Programme is open to all parishioners and clergy across the Archdiocese.

UNFORTUNATELY *this course is now fully booked: However there will be a repeat at a further date, and we should enrol a team of five or six from the Parish: Is this something in which you would like to be involved?*

Next Sunday, **‘GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY’** a.k.a. **‘VOCATIONS SUNDAY’**, there will be a collection for the Priests Training fund, to help pay for the training of new priests. Envelopes are available as we leave church today.

At present we have 3 students in training: Gwyn Jones, Dale Cutlan, and Elliot Hansen who spent a year with us here in Saint Helen’s Parish.

The total annual cost for their training amounts to £65,000.



Are you (or someone in your family) **celebrating a ‘significant’ wedding anniversary?**



Why not join the Diocesan **Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage** during National Marriage week,. The celebration is being organised by the Family Life Commission on Saturday 15th May, at 11am in Saint Mary’s Church, Newport. All are welcome to join the Celebration on line and, during the Mass, all couples will be encouraged to make the Renewal of Commitment together at home.

The Commission would like to produce a reflective presentation for the Mass and so we would encourage you send a wedding photo, ideally taken inside or outside the church in which you were married, that you are happy to be included in a promotional slideshow that will be shared during the Mass and also on Archdiocesan social media platforms (please include the name of your parish including area/town). Please contact the commission a.s.a.p. via fllc@rcadc.org.

CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA!

RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA!

VIRTUAL COMMUNITY:

Date	Time	Event
Sat 17 th April	6.30pm	EASTER MASS
Sun 18 th April	10.30am 11.30am	EASTER MASS Parish Coffee morning zoom
Thurs 22 nd April	6.45pm 7.45pm	Confirmation Candidates prepare Looking at the Sunday Scriptures
Sat 24 th April	11.00am 6.30pm	“Encountering Jesus” – Diocesan Talk – see page 2 EASTER MASS
Sun 25 th April	10.30am 11.30am	EASTER MASS Parish Coffee morning zoom

THANK YOU from the **SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (S.V.P.)** for the collection over Easter, which raised £ 280.50 for their continuing work with those in financial need or social or emotional difficulties.



THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Part 1: **THE PROFESSION OF FAITH.** Section 1: ‘I Believe’ – ‘We Believe’
Chapter 3: **Man’s Response to God.** Article 2: **We Believe.**

II. The Language of Faith

(171) The Church, "the pillar and bulwark of the truth", faithfully guards "the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints". She guards the memory of Christ's words; it is she who from generation to generation hands on the apostles' confession of faith (1 Tim 3:15; Jude 3.) As a mother who teaches her children to speak and so to understand and communicate, the Church our Mother teaches us the language of faith in order to introduce us to the understanding and the life of faith.

(Catechism of the Catholic Church 1992)

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50 DAYS FOR OUR DELIGHT: FOR CHRIST IS RISEN AS ALL THINGS TELL. GOOD CHRISTIAN, SEE YE RISE AS WELL. 