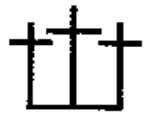


SAINT HELEN'S PARISH
28th SUNDAY of the YEAR

14th October 2018

 Prisoners'
Sunday



14th October 2018

A day of prayer and action

The Word of God is something Alive and Active

THE WORD THIS WEEK

Is 'money the root of all evil'? Or is it the *love* of money which is the problem? Of its' self, wealth is a blessing, but we can too easily make it a block to wisdom, an enemy to love, a corruption of social responsibility, equality, and cohesion. The man who runs up to Jesus is rich in good works and law-abiding, as well as material wealth, but he can't quite let go of the material to follow Jesus all the way in the spiritual. Jesus, the Word of God, clinically dissects his mixed affections. The disciples who are, more or less, ready to risk it are promised great reward, in this world already. Where do we stand?

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: (Psalter: Week 4)

Wisdom 7: 7 – 11.

Compared with wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

Response: Psalm 89.

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?

Show pity to your servant.

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune.

Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us;
give success to the work of our hands.

Hebrews 4: 12 – 13.

The word of God can judge secret emotions and thoughts.

Acclamation for the Gospel:

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

How happy are the poor in spirit,
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

Mark 10: 17 – 30.

Go and sell everything you own and follow me..

Prayer of the Faithful: R/. Lord, show pity to your servants.



MARK 10:25

MASS AND SERVICES DURING THE WEEK:

Sat 13 th October	6.30pm	28th SUNDAY of the Year Barbara + Anthony Burns (MM + AH)	
Sun 14 th October	10.30am	28th SUNDAY of the Year For the People of the Parish With the Baptism of Ffion Howley	
Mon 15 th October	10.00am 6.40pm 7.00pm	Saint Teresa of Jesus , Virgin and Doctor of the Church Universal Colliery Memorial Service at Senghenydd Rosary Mary Camwell (S.V.P.)	
Tues 16 th October	9.40am 10.00am	Saint Richard Gwyn , Schoolteacher and Martyr Rosary John Billington Intention (JR)	
Wed 17 th October	9.40am 10.00am	Saint Ignatius of Antioch , Bishop and Martyr Rosary Karl Beane (IS) Adoration 2 to 4 pm & 6 to 8 pm	
Thurs 18 th October	9.30am 10.00am	SAINT LUKE , Evangelist Donald Cavanagh (S.V.P.) Rosary	
Fri 19 th October	9.40am 10.00am	Rosary Mathew Parayil (VT)	
Sat 20 th October	5.45 – 6.15pm 6.30pm	The Sacrament of Reconciliation 29th SUNDAY of the Year For the People of the Parish	
Sun 21 st October	10.30am	29th SUNDAY of the Year Rita Bell (C)	

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 5.45pm to 6.15pm, or at any time by arrangement with the priest.

CELEBRATING STEPS ALONG THE JOURNEY OF FAITH

CATECHESIS



BAPTISM PREPARATION starts **this** Wednesday, 7.00pm, in the Small Meeting Room. To join in the **Parish Preparation for Parents**, please take the (green) form 'Your Child and Baptism' available in the porch, fill it in and return it to Father. Thank you.

JOINING THE CHURCH AS AN ADULT: To learn more about the Catholic Faith, please come along to the Hall every second Thursday at 7.30pm for '**Catholicism, an introduction**'. Next session Thursday 25th October: 'AD', The Acts of the Apostles. **Come and see!**

Bereaved? BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT provides a safe place to enable you to come to terms with your grief. One-to-one and group support available. For details contact 02920 863450.

SAINT HELEN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL has space for one child in Year 2: To apply for the place, please contact the Secretary on 02920 8852532.

SHARING FAITH



120 years of serving
Prisoners • Families • Communities

PRISONERS' SUNDAY today is the start of **PRISONERS' Sunday** **WEEK**, a week of prayer *and* action for prisoners and their families. **14th October 2018**

We will have a voluntary collection as we leave Mass, with gift-aid envelopes for those who wish. But we are all asked to remember and pray a day of prayer and action for prisoners and their dependants, and for prison officers and all involved in the prison service through this week. We are also reminded of other ways we can help and contribute, offering toys crafts, and books for children visiting a loved one in prison, or signing up to the Fresh Start Newsletter to keep up with the work of 'Pact', the Prison Advice and Care Trust.

THANK YOU for the excellent response to the **MY FAMILY IN THE PARISH** ‘data harvest’ last weekend. **Still not too late** to register your desire to be part of the Parish – please take and fill in the yellow census form available in the porch.



And now the second question: **MY PART IN THE PARISH:** Please consider yours. Many of the faithful servants of the Parish have been working for us for many years and are beginning to ‘wear out’. So we need fresh volunteers ready to do an ‘apprenticeship’ with them and gradually take over – not very glamorous, especially in the early days, but essential if we wish to maintain this active parish family and life and pass it on to future generations. Too many questions/options/challenges? Not sure what might be involved? Keep your form till next week and come to find out more at

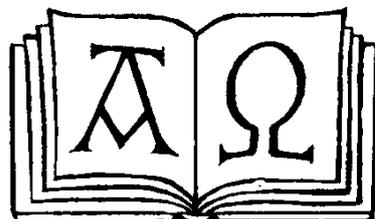
‘GET TO KNOW YOUR PARISH’: After Mass **next weekend**, 20th and 21st October, the groups and ministries who work in the Parish will ‘put out their stall’ for half an hour in the hall, not just to show what they do, but also to show us what we can do, joining them in their part in the Parish’s mission or supporting them with prayer. We are all invited to browse and meet, over wine and cheese, to see and celebrate where we do already fit into the life of the Parish, and to find which bit we would like to explore more. See you there!

A CHILD FOR BAPTISM? Parents’ preparation for Baptism starts this Wednesday at 7.00pm in hall meeting room. To enrol, please use the green ‘My Child and Baptism’ form in the porch.



Street Pastors’ COFFEE MORNING next Saturday, 10.00 -12.00 in Mount Carmel.

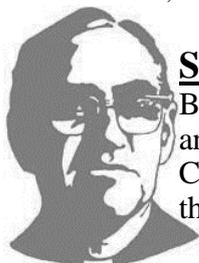
THE CAERPHILLY CHURCHES NIGHT SHELTER is due to run again this winter. We will have a chance to volunteer from next weekend on. Meanwhile we are urgently seeking a ‘deputy’ to work alongside Cliff Bray organising, supplying and running the shelter. If you feel you have the call to do this, and the time and energy to keep up with Cliff, please talk to him or to Father.



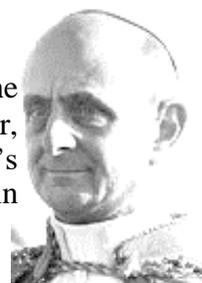
‘THE WORD OF GOD cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely’, which may be why we shy away from getting too close to it/Him. And yet it, He, is our life and hope. To take away our shyness and warm our love for God’s Word to us in the Scriptures, **Kate Duffin** will give an introduction to the ‘Themes of the Old Testament’ this autumn (and of the new testament next lent).

Starting on Wednesday 7th November, it will run for the next five Wednesday evenings. Each evening stands alone, but there is a direction of travel which will make it easier to get into the next theme. Book these dates now – an unmissable opportunity to grow our faith.

A Message from THE FOOD BANK: Many thanks for the Harvest gifts, and continuing generosity; We now have a surplus of Past and of Biscuits, but we are always in need of Tuna, tinned meat, squash, tinned fruit, rice pudding, semi skimmed long life milk. Thank you!



SAINTS ALIVE: Two new saints will be canonised this weekend, Oscar Romero, the Bishop who was killed for opposing the violence and injustice of the regime in El Salvador, and Paul VI, the pope who guided the Church through the second half of John XXIII’s Council and its reforms. For many of us these were contemporaries for whom we prayed in their life time: We ask for their prayers in our life time.



PARISH PRAYER LIST: In our prayers we are asked to pray for all who are sick or housebound, and those who care for them, including:

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| Pamela Griffiths | Teresa Meade | Sheila Harris | Graham Jenkins | Sandra Bray |
| Lloyd Jones | John Maguire | Cecelia Mawby | Pat Emanuelli | David Mabey |
| Dorothy Warmsley | Isobel Cummins | Pauline Richards | Margaret Jones | Carol Morrissey |
| Claris Howell | Tess Thomas | Wilson Brown | Martyn Western | Bill Morrissey |
| Yvonne Grandon | Pauline Thomas | Gordon Clinch | | |

SAINT HELEN'S COMMUNITY CENTRE – THIS WEEK:

Date	Time	Event
Mon 15 th October	9.30am 7.30pm	Parents & Toddlers S.V.P. (s.m.r.)
Tues 16 th October	10.30am	Music Appreciation
Wed 17 th October	9.30am 7.00pm	Parents & Toddlers Baptism Preparation (s.m.r.)
Thurs 18 th October	2.00pm – 4.00pm 6.30pm	Sunshine Club Youth Club
Fri 19 th October	1.00pm	History Group
Sat 20 th October	9.30am – 12.30pm 3.00pm – 6.00pm 7.30pm	Dance Party Meet the Parish with Tea & Coffee, Wine, Cheese & Biscuits
Sun 21 st October	11.30am	Meet the Parish with Tea & Coffee, Wine, Cheese & Biscuits

OFFERTORY COLLECTION	7 th October 2018
Gift Aid Weekly	£ 145.50
Non Gift Aid Weekly	£ 87.61
Gift Aid Standing Orders (69)	£ 502.04
Non Gift Aid Standing Orders (10)	£ 65.00
Loose	£ 210.94
TOTAL	£1011.09 <i>Many thanks</i>



LOTTERY BONUS BALL CONGRATULATIONS to Claire Foster and Keith Griffiths, the winners of the Bonus Ball no. 4. A total of £79.00 was made for parish funds. **TRY YOUR LUCK AGAIN THIS WEEK.**

THANK YOU for the generous response of **£ 729.45** to the **HARVEST FAST DAY** collection (in addition to a very generous 'non-uniform day' collection for Indonesia in the Primary School). Tickets for the Cafod **AUTUMN COFFEE MORNING** on Friday 16th November go on sale this weekend, £ 3: Get yours today before they all sell out.

THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Part One: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH.

Section One: 'I Believe' – 'We Believe'

(26) We begin our profession of faith by saying: "I believe" or "We believe". Before expounding the Church's faith, as confessed in the Creed, celebrated in the liturgy and lived in observance of God's commandments and in prayer, we must first ask what "to believe" means. Faith is man's response to God, who reveals himself and gives himself to man, at the same time bringing man a superabundant light as he searches for the ultimate meaning of his life. Thus, we shall consider first that search (*Chapter One*), then the divine Revelation by which God comes to meet man (*Chapter Two*), and finally the response of faith (*Chapter Three*).

Catechism of the Catholic Church 1992.

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