

SAINT HELEN'S PARISH
30th SUNDAY of the YEAR
28th October 2018



Courage, Get Up, He is Calling You.

THE WORD THIS WEEK

SHOUT! Shout for Joy; Shout for Pity; Shout for light, sight, understanding. Though so much is wrong with our world (and our lives?) we are taught to keep quiet, not to rock the boat, make a fuss, be different. Or maybe we lack the courage, or the hope and faith that things can change. But Bartimaeus is desperate, and he can't see why he should have to live like this. Like God's prophet, he believes in better, that God in Christ will comfort, gather, guide us: Once we have the courage to open our eyes to that promise, fulfilled in Jesus, we too can follow him.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: (*Psalter: Week 2*)

Jeremiah 31: 7 – 9.

I will comfort the blind and the lame as I lead them back.

Response: Psalm 125.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs.

The heathens themselves said:
'What marvels the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap.

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
They come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves.

Hebrews 5: 1 – 6.

You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

Acclamation for the Gospel:
Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
anyone who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!


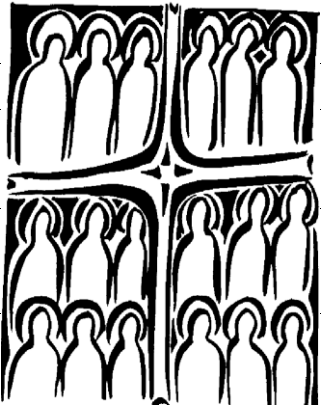

Mark 10: 46 – 52.

Master, let me see again.

Prayer of the Faithful: R/. Lord, have pity.



MASS AND SERVICES DURING THE WEEK:

Sat 27 th October	6.30pm	30th SUNDAY of the Year For the People of the Parish	
Sun 28 th October	10.30am 1.00pm	30th SUNDAY of the Year Alan Watt (S.V.P.) Baptism of Matilda Cherrett and Mia Richards	
Mon 29 th October	6.40pm 7.00pm	Rosary Ferdinand Thomas (TT)	
Tues 30 th October	10.15am	Requiem Mass for Alan Watt	
Wed 31 st October	9.40am 10.00am	Rosary Giovanni + Faustina Fecci (R + GF) Adoration 2 to 4 pm & 6 to 8 pm	
Thurs 1 st November	10.00am 7.00pm	The FEAST of ALL SAINTS Raymond Britton (MB) For the People of the Parish	
Fri 2 nd November	9.45am 10.00am	Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed Morning Prayer of the Church Holy Souls	
Sat 3 rd November	am 4.45 – 5.15pm 5.30pm	Saint Winefride, Virgin The Sacrament of Reconciliation 31st SUNDAY of the Year All Souls (TT)	
Sun 4 th November	10.30am	31st SUNDAY of the Year For the People of the Parish	



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

N.B.: Saturday 4.45pm to 5.15pm, or at any time by arrangement with the priest.

CELEBRATING STEPS ALONG THE JOURNEY OF FAITH

CATECHESIS

SHARING FAITH



BAPTISM PREPARATION concludes this **Tuesday**, 7.00pm, in the church. To join in the next **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.

CONFIRMATION next year? Please pick up an orange registration form from the porch.

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 8th: '**AD**' Film show. **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 ANTHONY OF PADUA

MASS AT CARDIFF PRISON: Each Friday there is Mass at 3.00 pm in the prison chapel. For some years parishioners from several Cardiff parishes have attended this Mass which is organised by the Catholic Chaplain. Roman Catholic prisoners attend and are given the chance to worship with fellow Catholics. If you are interested in learning further details please contact Saint Peter's SVP on 07906101015. Thank you.

PILGRIMAGE TO PADUA AND VERONA, to visit Saint Anthony and the medieval Friars in Padua, and the early Christians (and Romeo and Juliet for the romantic) in Verona: 25th – 30th September 2019, £889. For details, and to book, please talk to Angela Jones.



THANK YOU to all who prepared and laid on the ‘**Get to Know Your Parish**’ displays last weekend, to those who prepared and served the refreshments, and to all who came to look and learn and build up our church community: **We are All the Church!**

This (Sunday) afternoon we will again provide **TEA FOR THE ELDERLY**: thank you to all who have promised cakes and sandwiches, and those volunteering to serve. Want to help? Come along!



THE CAFOD GROUP meets in the hall on Thursday, 6 – 7pm. All welcome. Amongst other things they will plan for the **COFFEE MORNING** on Friday 16th November – could you offer a (delicious) homemade cake for the occasion?



Thursday is the **Feast of ALL SAINTS**, a ‘Holyday of Obligation’ and a celebration of human goodness raised up and completed by the sanctifying grace of God, given us back in Jesus Christ, the Holy One. Mass will be at 10.00am and at 7.00pm: All Baptised into the holiness of Christ are invited and expected

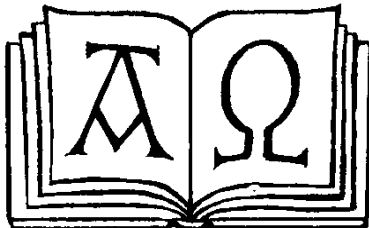


The Following day, Friday, is the **Feast of ALL SOULS**, the start of the month of prayer for all the Faithful Departed, and an invitation and opportunity for us all to remember and pray for our own loved ones and for those who have no one praying for them any more – this is more truly the ‘Hallowe’en’, when we remember the souls still longing and seeking for entry into the kingdom, and knocking at the doors of our conscience to pray ever more earnestly for them (as we hope some-one will pray for us in our turn). Please put your list of loved ones to be prayed for in the daily offering of the Mass this November in the basket on the altar from Friday.



Mass Next Saturday, 3rd November, will be at **5.30pm** (to avoid the fireworks)

FAMILY GROUP PICNIC LUNCH, Sunday 4th November 1.00pm at Garwnant Forestry Park, off the A470 north of Merthyr: BYO lunch and refreshments. Possibly the last chance for an outdoor event before winter sets in so let’s make the most of it! Hope to see you there. All welcome! Contact Stephen & Tracey, 20 888030, for further information.



GETTING TO GRIPS WITH SCRIPTURE: To take away our shyness and warm our love for God’s Word to us in the Bible, **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.



THE ANNUAL SERVICE OF MEMORIES this year will be on Monday 12th November. In addition to remembering those who have died in the past year, as it is the centenary of the end of World War 1 we would like to honour those who died in that war, or any other war since. Please contact either Father John, or Sue Acreman on 02920863450, with their names, and we will make sure your loved ones, who gave their lives for our freedom, are remembered especially this year.



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 Warmesley | Isobel Cummins | Pauline Richards | Margaret Jones | Carol Morrissey |
| Claris Howell | Tess Thomas | Wilson Brown | Martyn Western | Bill Morrissey |
| Yvonne Grandon | Pauline Thomas | Gordon Clinch | Annette Thompson | David Emery |

SAINT HELEN'S COMMUNITY CENTRE – THIS WEEK:

Date	Time	Event
Mon 29 th October	7.30pm	S.V.P. (s.m.r.)
Tues 30 th October	10.30am 7.00pm	Music Appreciation Baptism Preparation (in church)
Wed 31 st October	11.00am – 2.00pm	Private Booking
Thurs 1 st November	2.00pm – 4.00pm 6.00pm – 7.00pm	Sunshine Club CAFOD Group
Fri 2 nd November	1.00pm – 3.00pm	History Group
Sat 3 rd November	9.30am – 12.30pm	Dance
Sun 4 th November	11.30am	Tea, Coffee & Biscuits



OFFERTORY COLLECTION	21 st October 2018
Gift Aid Weekly	£ 168.00
Non Gift Aid Weekly	£ 135.55
Gift Aid Standing Orders (69)	£ 502.04
Non Gift Aid Standing Orders (10)	£ 65.00
Loose	£ 214.44
TOTAL	£1085.03 <i>Many thanks</i>
World Mission Sunday	£ 172.15

We have been advised that there were problems with one of our offertory **Standing Orders** last month. If you contribute by standing order, please can you check your own account to confirm that the transfer has been actioned correctly? Thank you.

LOTTERY BONUS BALL CONGRATULATIONS to Helen Emery and Dan Lucey, the winners of the Bonus Ball no. 17. A total of £89.00 was made for parish funds. **TRY YOUR LUCK AGAIN THIS WEEK.**

Luke McRoy-Jones, brought up in this Parish and now second year student of Optometry at Plymouth, has been shortlisted as one of three finalist for an award with the Association of Optometrists. To win he has to secure the most public votes by 12th December. Voting is open here: <https://www.mi-vote.com/aopawards19/> **To vote**, you must enter your name and submit, before scrolling down to the Student of the Year category and voting for Luke McRoy-Jones

THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Part One: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH.

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

1. The Desire For God

(28) In many ways, throughout history down to the present day, men have given expression to their quest for God in their religious beliefs and behaviour: in their prayers, sacrifices, rituals, meditations, and so forth. These forms of religious expression, despite the ambiguities they often bring with them, are so universal that one may well call man *a religious being*:

From one ancestor (God) made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "in him we live and move and have our being." (*Acts 17: 26-28.*)

Catechism of the Catholic Church 1992.

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