

SAINT HELEN'S PARISH  
 31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY of the YEAR  
 THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS  
 4<sup>th</sup> November 2018



## Love!

### THE WORD THIS WEEK

Listen! Quoting the Law of Moses, Jesus reminds us that we are blessed with a God who speaks, who reveals Gods-self to us, and guides us the way to long life and flourishing. Jesus reveals that God's law is not just a set of prohibitions, limits within which we can stay secure, like infants. The fullness of the law, what God really wants, and how we fully develop and flourish, is a participation in the divine nature and God's unlimited self-giving in Jesus: Love. Let us listen to this gift and command: Love!

### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: (Psalter: Week 3)

#### **Deuteronomy 6: 2 – 6.**

*Listen, Israel: 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.'*

*Response: Psalm 17.*

I love you, Lord, my strength//  
 my rock, my fortress, my saviour.  
 my God is the rock where I take refuge;  
 my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.  
 The Lord is worthy of all praise://  
 when I call I am saved from my foes.



Long life to the Lord, my rock!  
 Praised be the God who saves me.  
 He has given great victories to his king  
 and shown his love to his anointed

#### **Hebrews 7: 23 – 28.**

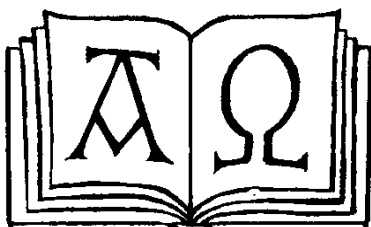
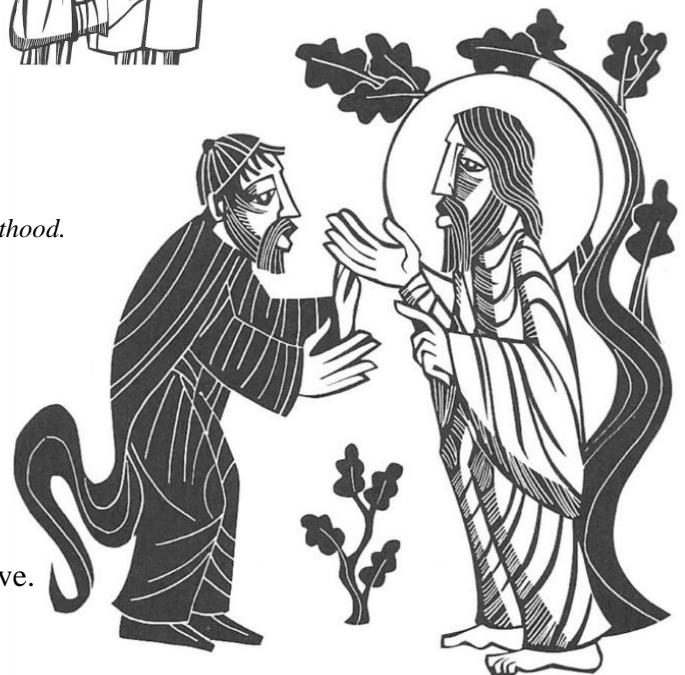
*Because he remains for ever, Christ can never lose his priesthood.*

*Acclamation for the Gospel:*  
 Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!  
 Your words are spirit, Lord,  
 and they are life:  
 You have the message of eternal life.  
 Alleluia, Alleluia. Alleluia!

#### **Mark 12: 28 – 34.**

*This is the first commandment. The second is like it.*

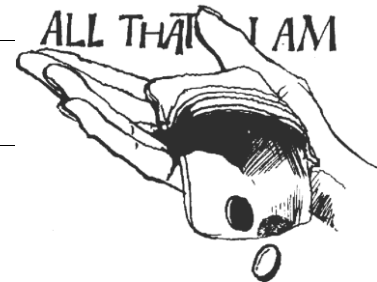
*Prayer of the Faithful: R/. Lord, show your love.*



**GETTING TO GRIPS WITH SCRIPTURE:** Kate Duffin will give an introduction to the 'Themes of the Old Testament' starting **this** Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> November, at 7.30pm in the Hall, and continuing for the next four Wednesday evenings. Each evening stands alone, but there is a direction of travel which will make it easier to get into the next theme. An un-missable opportunity to grow our faith.

**MASS AND SERVICES DURING THE WEEK:**

Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY of the Year</b> All Souls (TT)
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY of the Year</b> For the People of the Parish
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> November	6.45pm 7.00pm	Evening Prayer of the Church Holy Souls
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> November	9.45am 10.00am	<b>Saint Illtud, Abbot</b> Morning Prayer of the Church Kevin Phelan (MJ + TL)
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> November	9.45am 10.00am	Morning Prayer of the Church Holy Souls Adoration 2 to 4 pm & 6 to 8 pm
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> November	9.45am 10.00am	<b>All Saints of Wales</b> Morning Prayer of the Church Bernard Allen (S.V.P.)
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> November	9.45am 10.00am	<b>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</b> Morning Prayer of the Church Chakku Mathew (VT)
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> November	am 5.45 – 6.15pm  <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</b> The Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY of the Year</b> Holy Souls
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>10.30am</b> 3.00pm	<b>32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY of the Year</b> For the People of the Parish Cenotaph Service



**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

SHARING FAITH



**BAPTISM PREPARATION** 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 this Thursday: 'AD', the film of the Acts. **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

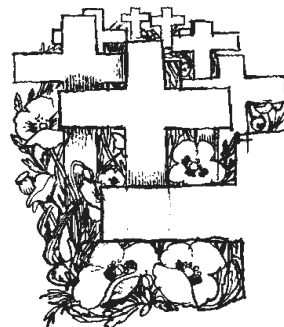
**MASS AT CARDIFF PRISON:** Each Friday there is Mass at 3.00 pm in the prison chapel. For some years parishioners from several Cardiff parishes have attended this Mass which is organised by the Catholic Chaplain. Roman Catholic prisoners attend and are given the chance to worship with fellow Catholics. 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: 25<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019, £889. For details, and to book, please talk to Angela Jones.

**FAMILY GROUP PICNIC LUNCH**, today (Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> 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.



November is traditionally the month of **THE HOLY SOULS**: Please add to the basket on the altar your list of those you wish to have remembered at daily Mass through the month. Next Sunday is **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY** And remember the annual **SERVICE OF MEMORIES** which this year will be next Monday, 12th November, at 7pm.



**NIGHT SHELTER**: We will once again be involved in the Caerphilly Churches Winter Night Shelter in **January and February**, so we are looking for volunteers for Sunday nights and Monday mornings. Please come to the meeting for Volunteers **this Tuesday** at 7pm in the Hall: If you cannot make the meeting but would be available to help please contact Cliff Bray, cliffsan@sky.com, 07533082601, or Father Kelly. Thank you.

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**GETTING TO GRIPS WITH SCRIPTURE**: Kate Duffin offers "an insight into some of the themes and characters of the Old Testament. This is an opportunity to come together and reflect on the Word of God acting in and through the Hebrew people, the People of the God. How this word was challenging in their lives, how they grew in faith coming to know the Living God." Starting **this** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30 pm, with a talk, a chance to ask questions, and finishing with a cup of tea at 8.30.

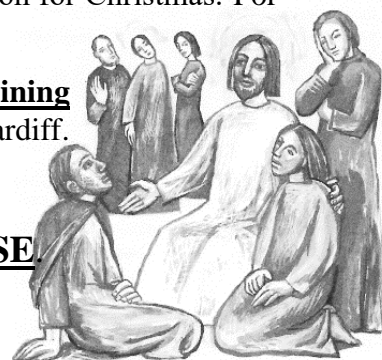
The lay out of the 5 weeks will be:

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| Week 1 – An introduction, Torah | Week 2 – Election, Promise, Covenant |
| Week 3 – The Exodus and Exile   | Week 4 – Wisdom and the Psalms       |
| Week 5 – The Prophets           |                                      |



**'Venite ADOREMUS' Retreat**, Saint David's Catholic College, Cardiff, 8<sup>th</sup> December: An invitation to all. Following the success of the Adoremus Eucharistic Congress, the Archdiocese invites everyone to a 'Venite Adoremus Retreat' during Advent as a preparation for Christmas. For details and to book, please see the notice in the porch.

Also on that day: **HOW TO SHARE YOUR FAITH – Testimony Training Day**: Saturday, December 8th, 10am - 3:30pm. Pastoral Resources Centre, Cardiff. For further details, please see the notice in the porch.



See also notice of a **CHURCH SCHOOLS' LEADERSHIP COURSE**

**THANK YOU** to all who prepared and laid on the **TEA FOR THE ELDERLY**, and those came along to serve and chat, and join in the impromptu quiz.

**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   | Gordon Clinch  | Annette Thompson | David Emery    | Bob Walton      |

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

Date	Time	Event
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> November	9.30am	Parents & Toddlers
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> November	10.30am 7.00pm	Music Appreciation Night Shelter Meeting
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> November	9.30am 7.30pm	Parents & Toddlers <b>Themes of the Old Testament - Introduction</b>
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> November	2.00pm – 4.00pm 7.30pm	Sunshine Club Journey of Faith (s.m.r.)
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> November	1.00pm – 3.00pm	History Group
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup> November	9.30am – 12.30pm	Dance
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> November	11.30am	Tea, Coffee, & Biscuits

OFFERTORY COLLECTION	28 <sup>th</sup> October 2018
Gift Aid Weekly	£ 107.00
Non Gift Aid Weekly	£ 144.75
Gift Aid Standing Orders (69)	£ 502.04
Non Gift Aid Standing Orders (10)	£ 65.00
Loose	£ 208.38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1027.17</b> <i>Many thanks</i>
<b>World Mission Sunday</b>	£ 115.00



**LOTTERY BONUS BALL CONGRATULATIONS** to Jayne McFarland and David Hughes, the winners of the Bonus Ball no.21. A total of £80.00 was made for parish funds. **TRY YOUR LUCK AGAIN THIS WEEK.**

**PARISH 200 CLUB DRAW**, October: – 1<sup>st</sup> prize £25.00 (No. 79) Sarah Beach; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £20.00 (No. 54) Annetta Davies; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize £15.00 (No. 43) Mrs R. Bridger. **Congratulations to all winners.**

**CAFOD QUARTERLY DRAW** - 1<sup>st</sup> prize £75.00 (No. 52) Kay Cronin; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £50.00 (No. 30) Colette -T. Lewis; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize £25.00 (No. 39) Helen Emery. **Congratulations to all winners.**

### THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

#### Part One: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH.

#### Section One: 'I Believe' – 'We Believe' 1. The Desire For God

(29) But this "intimate and vital bond of man to God" (GS 19 # 1) can be forgotten, overlooked, or even explicitly rejected by man (GS 19 # 1.). Such attitudes can have different causes: revolt against evil in the world; religious ignorance or indifference; the cares and riches of this world; the scandal of bad example on the part of believers; currents of thought hostile to religion; finally, that attitude of sinful man which makes him hide from God out of fear and flee his call. (Cf. GS 19–21; *Matthew* 13:22; *Genesis* 3: 8-10; *Jon* 1:3.)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church 1992.*

#### Parish Directory

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