

St. David's R.C. Church

Park Crescent,

Maesglas, Newport

The Thirty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

17.11.24. - 23.11.24. Year B PW1

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9.30 am Confession and Adoration

10.00 am Mass Latin Rite

The office is now operating on an appointment only basis and will no longer hold regular hours weekly. Please still feel free to contact Kate via email as necessary or to make an appointment



Mass Times of Syro Malabar Qurbana

Sunday	7.45am Mass	3.15pm Mass
Tuesday	6.00pm Adoration	6.30pm Mass
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	6.00pm Adoration.	6.30pm Mass.
Saturday	10.00am Mass	

Mass w.j. Polskim Saturday 6.00pm

TODAY IS WORLD DAY FOR THE POOR

SUNDAY READINGS

1st Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Psalm: Ps. 15:5.8-11

Response: **Preserve me, God. I take refuge in you.**

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel Acc.: **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Stay awake and stand ready,

Because you do not know the hour

When the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

IN TODAY'S GOSPEL Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.

Extract from Loyola Press.

PARISH UPDATE – Kate and Norma attended a Finance and Fundraising training session with the Archdiocese last week and can confirm we will be trialling a contactless card machine at Church in the coming weeks. The Archdiocese are funding the trial and based upon the amount of use after the trial period, we will ultimately decide whether a card machine is now worth purchasing.

PLEASE NOTE THE MACHINE IN THE CHURCH CURRENTLY IS NOT SET UP TO DONATE TO OUR LATIN RITE COMMUNITY AND IS ONLY SERVICING THE SYRO-MALABAR COMMUNITY.

As a result of this meeting, we are also asking for more volunteers to come forward to offer their time or talents to the parish. The Archdiocese promote an initiative called **Time Talents Treasure** which effectively asks parishioners to consider in which capacity they may be able to support their parish.

You may find you could support us with your **TIME** – please see the list of posts available right now. You may be able to support us with your **TALENTS** – offering to support some social events, run some information classes, make items to sell in our Piety Shop, etc. Or you may be able to review the amount of **TREASURE** you give each week, especially if you pay by Standing Order and have perhaps not reviewed the amount you give each week/month for some time. The Archdiocese confirmed the average donation amount per week per parishioner for the archdiocese is £2.20. With a pint of Guinness now around £6.00 it may be that some of us can afford to give a little more. These are all just ways you can support the parish and ensure it survives the unstable financial climate.

PARISH RECORDS – Jane and Kate are working to ensure our Parish Records are as up to date as possible as well as attempting to backdate records from when we were under the umbrella of All Saints. With this in mind, if you have held a Baptism, Marriage or Funeral at St David's over the years and you have the details of the same to hand, please forward these in an email to the parish email address so that they can be added to our records. This is a lengthy process so please bear with us. Jane has worked extremely hard to get the **Remembrance Book** up to date so please do take the time to check for your loved ones and inform Jane of any missing names/details. At the beginning of every month, the relevant month's list will be emailed with the newsletter to the people in receipt of the emailed newsletter so they can more easily check for their loved ones.



CELEBRATING 90 YEARS OF ST. DAVID'S CHURCH

NEXT SUNDAY 24TH NOVEMBER
AFTER THE 10.00AM MASS

WE WILL MEET IN THE SCHOOL HALL.

Tickets are on sale after Mass today from Kate at £2.00 per person. Our parish is a sharing parish therefore we would ask that, if possible, you bring a PLATE OF FOOD to share. Please drop the plate off at the school hall before 10am Mass where Kate will be waiting. Each ticket is numbered so please bring it with you on the day to be entered into a raffle. Anyone who would like to help out will be welcome, either in the preparation on the morning of 24th or during the event from 11am.

Money raised from the sale of the tickets will go towards the Boiler fund. Please do try to come and support this event to ensure our Parish is appreciated for its length of endurance. **We look forward to celebrating with you all.**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Will resume on the third Sunday of every month from Sunday 19th January 2025. Thank you to Emelia and John Saunders for coming forward for this.

*God is God. He knows what He is doing
When you can't trace His hand, trust His heart.*

**CHRISTMAS SERVICE TIMES:**

Christmas Eve 5.00 pm Carol Singing.
5.30 pm Mass.
Christmas Day 10.00 am Mass.

THE PIETY SHOP Is now open and manned following mass each week when this is possible, though if there is no-one at the shop and there is something you wish to purchase, you can complete one of the small forms that are at hand and either leave payment with said form or provide payment the following week. Christmas items are already on display so please do take the time to have a look.

HEALTH & SAFETY: Can we kindly request everyone ensure kneelers are placed back into the **upright position after use**. It appears that some pews have been moved. The position they were in was approved by Health and Safety at the Archdiocese and should not be moved for any reason.

BOILER UPDATE

Several engineers have now been to provide several quotations for the boiler and water pump. We are currently requesting some financial help from the Archdiocese as well, as the costs are ever growing in relation to this. We will keep you posted and encourage anyone who is able to donate what they can to the fund.



To the person who kindly donated £100 towards the boiler fund, Father Mathew, as well as all of us in the Parish, would like to say thank you for this generosity.

CONFIRMATION 2025. - Registration is now open!

We are pleased to announce that the Archbishop will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday 2nd July 2025 for All Saints Parish which will include anyone from St David's Parish. Sacramental preparation for our young people is open to Year 8 and above. To sign up please use this online form found here:

<https://allsaintsrcnewport.org.uk/sacraments/confirmation/>. We will be in touch once all dates confirmed. Registration is open 1st November – 15th December and classes will begin in January 2025.

MONTH OF HOLY SOULS

There are now envelopes in the porch for Month of Holy Souls.

Reminder for Cleaners or other parishioners on site during school hours:

Can we please remind everyone that if you are attending the church during times when school is in session, you are required to go via School Reception so that you sign in and out of the site. This is more imperative than ever. If there are any problems or issues, please let Kate know.



FOLK CHOIR - We are looking for new members of all ages and abilities to join the choir, rehearsals are Monday 7.30pm - 8.30pm in church. We sing at Mass every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month. ALL are very welcome, and we look forward to seeing you.



BAMBINELLI SUNDAY (Gaudate Sunday) is a day to remember with joy the birth of Jesus Christ, it was started by Pope John Paul II when he asked the children of Rome to bring their figurines to St. Peter's Square for blessing. **We ask not only but especially our children to bring their figures of Baby Jesus to church on the 15th December for Father to bless.**

MASS INTENTIONS		READERS
17.11.24.	Deceased members of Doyle & Richardson Families. †	17.11.24. 1st Reading – Mary Psalm - Sung 2nd Reading – Peter
24.11.24.	Elizabeth & Albert Bray And the Robson Family †	
01.12.24.	Alan Trew †	24.11.24. 1st Reading – John Psalm – Sung 2nd Reading – James
08.12.24.	Jenna Donley & Patsy †	Mass intentions: It is Canon Law for there to be only one intention per mass celebration. Therefore, if anyone would like to have a mass on a specific date, it will need to be booked in advance. If you wish to book a Mass intention, please fill in an envelope which can be found in the church porch and post it in the box also in the church porch.
15.12.24.	Father Gordon Thompson †	From the start of 2025 Mass intentions in the newsletter will only be shown for the current month, but don't panic Kate has a list of all intentions sent in.
22.12.24.	Ann Monaghan †	
29.12.24.	Connor O'Connor †	
05.12.24.	Maureen & Patrick Nwoga's family (Thanksgiving)	
12.01.25.	Father Gordon Thompson †	
19.01.25.	Jack Harvey †	
26.01.25.	Mary O'Connor †	
02.02.25.	Fr. Gordan Thompson †	
09.02.25.	Robert Dack † (30 years)	
16.02.25.	Madeline & William Bray †	
23.02.25.	Marie Ayres Regan †	
02.03.25.	Mary T Regan †	
16.03.25.	Glenys Harvey †	
23.03.25.	Fr. Gordon Thompson †	
30.03.25.	Gertrude & Elizabeth Bray & Margaret Collins †	

Collection for 10.11.24. – will be given next week.

Saints of the Week

17.11.24. – St. Elizabeth of Hungary

18.11.24. – Dedication of the Basilica of St. Peter & St. Paul

21.11.24. – Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

22.11.24. – St. Cecilia

23.11.24. – St. Clement I, Pope

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ABLE TO GIVE THEIR TIME/TALENTS:

- We are looking for someone to paint the stairs - please see Norma
- We are looking for someone to poison and remove the tree stump around the side of the Sacristy – please see Norma or Kate
- We are looking for a 'handy-person' / 'maintenance manager' – someone to take charge of arranging engineers for works needed to the church. Norma has undertaken this until now but as she is helping in many other capacities, she rightly wants to take a step back from the maintenance side – anyone interested please see Kate
- We require some more people to come forward to volunteer to run Children's Liturgy on Sundays. Emelia has offered to organise and run this, but currently only John Saunders has come forward to support her in this. Without more support, we will only be able to bring Liturgy back for one Sunday a month. Please consider if this is something you could help with. If you are interested, please see Mary Richardson (Choir) for a DBS form which the Archdiocese cover costs of and let Kate know of your interest.

We are still hoping to form a social committee and therefore should be grateful if anyone with some time on their hands or has a particular talent for organising fun events, to please come forward to Kate.



WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS: Please pray for those in hospital in our parish, please contact maesglas@rcadc.org to let us know of anyone who is sick or in hospital so that we may pray for them.

Ever-living and ever-loving, Lord God, You are the everlasting salvation of those who believe. We ask You to have mercy on those who are sick that, bodily health may be restored. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Sister Mary Christa Kroening, OSB

