

NEWSLETTER

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Today's Hymns

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Collect:

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Psalm Response:

I will thank you because I am marvellously made

Gospel Acclamation:

St John's:

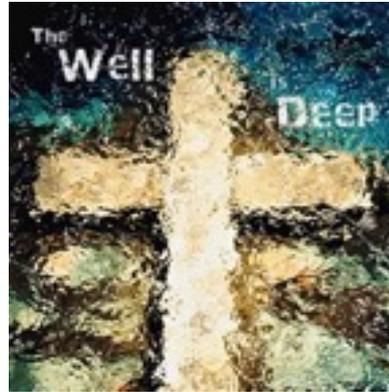
Alleluia ...

Speak Lord your servant is listening, you have the words, you have the words, of everlasting life.

Alleluia ...

St Luke's:

Celtic Alleluia (Alleluia x4)



The Well is Deep - This year's theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is from Brazil. It stems from the encounter at a well between Jesus and a Samaritan woman. He models acceptance, inclusion and invitation to work with him. In Brazil there is growing intolerance and competition amongst Christians. In Canton we have many Churches, yet it is a sign of hope that diverse communities desire to work together to make real God's Kingdom. Jesus challenges us to acknowledge that diversity is part of God's design, to approach one another in trust and to see the face of God in the face of all men and women.

Praying for Christian Unity

St Catherine's - 8:00 Eucharist; 10:30 Sung Eucharist with Baptism: Lauren Jenkins

St John's - 8:00 Eucharist; 9:15 Sung Eucharist; **6:00 Ecumenical Service**

St Luke's - 10:30 Sung Mass

For Weekday Services and Regular Events see the Website or Church Notice boards for times and days.

Today's Readings

1 Sam 3:1-10, Ps 139, Revelations 5:1-10, John 1:43-51

Psalm 139 Vv1-10:

1 O Lord thou hast searched me / out and / known me: thou knowest my down-sitting and mine up-rising, * thou understandest my / thoughts / from a-far.

2 Thou art ever about my path * and the places / where I / rest: and art ac-/quainted · with / all my / ways.

3 For lo there is not a / word · in my / mouth: but Thou O Lord / knowest · it / alto-/gether.

4 Thou hast protected me be-/hind · and be-/fore: and hast / covered · me / with thine / hand.

† 5 Such knowledge is too / wonder-ful / for me: so excellent that I / cannot at-/tain / unto it.

6 Whither shall I go / from thy / spirit: or whither shall I / flee / from thy / presence?

7 If I climb up into heaven / thou art / there: if I make my bed in the grave / thou art / there / also.

8 If I fly on the / wings · of the / morning: or alight in the / utter-most / parts · of the / west,

9 Even there shall / thy hand / lead me: and / thy right / hand shall / hold me.

† 10 If I say * 'Surely the / darkness · shall / cover me: and my / day be / turned to / night'.

Next week's readings: Jeremiah 1:4-10, Ps 67, Acts 9:1-22, Matt 19:24-30

Benefice Notes:

Confirmation classes for young people and adults begins **today in St John's at 4pm.**

This year the programme will be over a longer period of time but will be less intense. As the confirmation ceremony takes place in Advent 2015 children who are now in year 5 may apply. Today is about registering and giving information and an overview of the programme. Simply turn up, or see the clergy if you cannot make it.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18-25 Jan 2015 - Churches Together in Canton has been relaunched for 2015 and to celebrate this there is an **Ecumenical Service** involving many of our local churches in St John's this evening at 6:00 pm. All are welcome. The theme this year is Reconciliation and is inspired by the story of the woman at the well from John 4.

PCC Meetings and Working Groups - The date for the next PCC is Sunday 1 February at 7:00 in St Luke's when we'll look at how the recent conversation days and the issues, concerns and hopes raised might inform our life and mission as a faith community leading up to 2020. As agreed by the PCC at its last meeting, we will also look at the formation and membership of various working parties who will report back to the PCC through the year. These groups will look specifically at: youth, finance, buildings and pastoral care. If you'd like to join these groups and are not currently on the PCC please contact the clergy for details.

Messy Church - The next one is on 25 Jan at 4pm in St John's. The theme is creation and this will inspire our craft activities and worship. If you would like to help please contact Fr Phelim or simply turn up on the day.

New Eucharist Booklets - We've printed a few large print versions. If you didn't get access to one please let us know.

Christians Against Poverty - There is a course beginning in Calvary Baptist Church in Canton to help individuals budget, save and spend wisely to prevent and overcome debt and related problems. The course is on Monday evenings at 7:00pm and runs for three weeks beginning on 23 February. Contact Fr Phelim for more details or visit www.capmoney.org.

Benefice Pilgrimage to Assisi, Montecasino and Rome 6-10 July 2015. If you are interested please contact Fr Phelim for more details and likely costs. Price would include flights, transfers, transport within Italy and staying at the Irish College.

Youth Committee - If you would like to join this group please contact Fr Phelim. We hope to meet once or twice a term.

Benefice Noticeboard - If you would like to include something in the notes please send it to linsaycoolhouse@hotmail.com.

St Catherine's Notes:

Hall Bookings - To book the Hall please contact Angharad Elias 07989 747026 hall.stcatherines@gmail.com

St John's Notes:

New Setting for the Eucharist - The new musical setting by Tony Alonso is being introduced today and next Sunday. The new parts will be introduced at the start of the 9:15 service with a brief congregational rehearsal.

Concerts - 28 Jan Cardiff Symphony Orchestra and 31 Jan Canton Chorus. Both concerts begin at 7.30pm (see the website for more details).

St Luke's Notes:

St Luke's Lunch is today. Tickets are still available (3 COURSE MEAL £8.50)

Shrove Tuesday Banger and Bingo - A family fun night on Tuesday 17 Feb 2015. Tickets on sale now.

Bring and Buy - Thur 22 Jan there'll be a Bring and Buy social evening at the Women's Group meeting at 7.30 in the hall lounge. All are welcome.

Hall Bookings - To book the Hall please contact Jackie or Haydn Page on 029 2091 3808 haydnpage@hotmail.co.uk

Recently Departed: Dorothy White, Winifred Sullivan, Iris Gay, Lillian Salvidge, Raymond Berry

This Week in the Benefice: (Diocesan Prayer / Anglican Prayer Cycle / Events and Services)

Sun 18 Cardiff St German w St. Saviour, Dean Atkins; London; **Ecumenical Service at 6:00 pm in St John's**

Mon 19 Roath, St Martin, Irving Hamer (V); Lincoln; **Confession of St Peter, Apostle**

Tues 20 Llandaff Deanery: Jenny Wigley (AD); Litoral, Ecuador; S. Sebastian

Wed 21 Department for Parish Resources, Stephen Ryan; Liverpool; **S. Agnes**

Thur 22 Caerau w Ely, Jesse Smith (V); Barry, Archbishop of Wales & Bishop of Llandaff; **S. Vincent, (martyr)**

Fri 23 Fairwater, Colin Sutton (V); Lokoja- (Nigeria); **S. Francis de Sales**

Sat 24 Glan Ely, Jan Gould (Pin C); Limerick & Killaloe; **S. Cadog**

Sun 25 Llandaff Cathedral Church, Gerwyn Capon (Dn); Long Island

18 January 2015 – Epiphany 2

First Reading

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

1 Samuel 3.1-10

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139.1-5,12-17

R I will thank you because I am marvellously made.

Lord, you have searched me out and known me;

you know my sitting down and my rising up;

you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places

and are acquainted with all my ways.

R

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,

but you, O Lord, know it altogether.

You press upon me behind and before and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;

it is so high that I cannot attain to it.

R

For you yourself created my inmost parts;

you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I will thank you because I am marvellously made;

your works are wonderful and I know it well.

R

My body was not hidden from you,

while I was being made in secret

and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;

all of them were written in your book;

they were fashioned day by day,

when as yet there was none of them.

R

How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
how great is the sum of them!
If I were to count them,
they would be more in number than the sand;
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours. **R**
R I will thank you because I am marvellously made.

Second Reading

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.'

Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth.'

Revelation 5.1-10

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Hear the holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

John 1.43-51

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.