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Today's Hymns

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Collect:

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Psalm Response:

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Gospel Acclamation:

St John's: Alleluia ...

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

St Luke's: Alleluia, alleluia, opening our hearts to him, singing Alleluia, alleluia, Jesus is our King

If you know of a church member, or anyone, who is unwell or would appreciate contact from our priests, please inform the clergy at the earliest opportunity.



Today we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. This is the last Sunday of the liturgical year in which we are called to pledge allegiance to Jesus Christ as our sovereign and saviour. We also have an opportunity to offer thanksgiving for all the gifts we've received from God in our lives and for the generosity of the members of Christ's Church who worship in our Benefice. Today is an appropriate ending also to our stewardship campaign. We are very grateful for all who have prayerfully reviewed their giving and support of ministry within the benefice.

Christ the King - Kingdom 4

St Catherine's - 8:00 Holy Eucharist; 10:30 Sung Eucharist

St John's - 8:00 Holy Eucharist; 9:15 Sung Eucharist; **6:00pm Evensong**

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

Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

Psalm 46

1 God is our / hope and / strength: a very / present / help in / trouble. **2** Therefore will we not fear, though the / earth be / moved: and though the hills be carried / into • the / midst • of the / sea; **3** Though the waters thereof / rage and / swell: and though the mountains shake at the / tempest / of the / same. **4** There is a river, * the streams whereof make glad the / city • of / God: the holy dwelling-place / of the / Most / Highest. **5** God is in the midst of her, * therefore shall she / not • be re-/moved: God shall / help her, • and / that right / early. **6** The nations make much ado and the / kingdoms • are / moved: but God hath shewed his voice, * and the / earth shall / melt a-/way. †**7** The Lord of / hosts is / with us: the God of / Jacob / is our / refuge. **8** O come hither and behold the / works • of the / Lord: what destruction he hath / brought up-/on the / earth. **9** He maketh wars to cease in / all the / world: "he breaketh the bow and knappeth the spear in sunder, * and burneth the / chariots / in the / fire." **10** 'Be still then and know that / I am / God: I will be exalted among the nations, * and I will be ex-/alted / in the / earth.' **11** The Lord of / hosts is / with us: the God of / Jacob / is our / refuge.

Next week's readings: Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14; Matt 24:36-44;

Benefice Notes:

Messy Church - The next MC is on Sunday 11 Dec at 4pm in St John's. There is a planning meeting for this next week at 5pm in St John's. Theme is Messy Christmas.

Newsletter items - any items for the newsletter please send to Linsay Jones linsaycoolhouse@hotmail.com . For an email copy of the newsletter and readings ask Sheila on mgsmkelly1@gmail.com

Sunday Readings - The schedule of readings for the coming year is now published on our website. There is also a copy of each week's readings published on our website in advance to help people better prepare for the Sunday Eucharist.

Holy Communion - From the first Sunday of Advent it is permitted for those who are baptised to receive Holy Communion. We will have a renewed focus on the meaning and practice of celebrating the Eucharist in the coming months. Part of that will be special teaching for children aged 7 and over beginning in January 2017 and culminating in a celebration of first Holy Communion at Candlemas to take place in each of our churches (5 Feb 2017). For more information ask the clergy.

Cardiff Churches Night Shelter - We are looking for volunteers to help with the nightshelter for those who are homeless. It involves helping a local church host up to 20 people who have nowhere else to sleep during the winter months. Last year volunteers from the Benefice helped at Calvary Baptist Church on Thursday evenings and Friday mornings. If you'd like to help just turn up at the training event which is at Calvary on Mon 5 December from 6:30-8pm or ask Fr Phelim.

Stewardship Packs - If you didn't manage to get a stewardship pack please ask the clergy or wardens. Thank you again to all who helped in this campaign and for all who give so generously to support God's work in our Benefice.

St Catherine's Notes:

Church Cleaning Thank you to all who helped in cleaning the Church on Friday and Saturday.

Advent Carols - an Advent service for all will be held at St Catherine's at 6pm next Sunday with lessons and music for everyone. There'll be candles and it lasts about an hour, so we hope children will be able to come and enjoy the occasion.

Christmas Fair - Saturday 26 November starting at 2pm. Please come along to support this important fundraiser but even more important celebration of fellowship and service of the local community. All are welcome.

Hall Bookings - To book the Hall contact the clergy or email Bev on hall.stcatherines@gmail.com.

Midweek Services: Holy Eucharist this Wednesday at 11:00 am

St John's Notes:

Christmas Tree Festival - in St John's Church takes place from Friday 9 to Sunday 11 December. If you'd like to put up a tree, forms are now available in church.

Monthly Lunch - The last lunch of the year will be the Christmas Lunch is on Friday 25 Nov at 12 noon. All are welcome.

Church Booking - To book the church please contact the clergy. For concerts contact Gill Winton (see website).

Midweek Services: Holy Eucharist this Thursday at 10:30 am

St Luke's Notes:

Carols in the Park - Advance notice for the annual carol service in Victoria Park on Wed 14 Dec at 6pm

Hall Bookings - To book the Hall please contact Jackie Page on 029 2091 3808.

Midweek Services: Mass at 10:00 am on Wed; Masses at 6pm on Friday; & 10:30 am on Saturday

Recently Departed: Henry William Boots, Wally Harmer, Joan Cook & Margaret Rutter, Clive Parker

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

Sun 20 Deanery of Llandaff, Michael John (AD); Falkland Islands; **Kingdom 4 Christ the King**

Mon 21 Caerau & Ely, Jesse Smith (V); Chris Lee (C); Kafanchan (Nigeria); **St Paulinus; Presentation of BVM**

Tues 22 Fairwater, Colin Sutton (V); Kagera (Tanzania); **St Cecilia;**

Wed 23 Bishop David Wilbourne and his family; Kajiado (Kenya); **St Clement I, St Columbanus**

Thur 24 Glan Ely, Jan Gould (V); Kajo Keji (Sudan)

Fri 25 Llandaff, Gerwyn Capon (D); Graham Holcombe (RC); Kampala (Uganda); **St Catherine of Alexandria; John Donne**

Sat 26 Pentyrch & Capel Llanilterne, Michael John (V); Kaman (Congo)

Sun 27 Radyr, Jenny Wigley (R); Kansas (USA); **Advent 1; 6pm Advent Carol Service in St Catherine's**

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Team Vicar: Fr Phelim O'Hare; 029 2021 0732 vicar@beneficeofcanton.org.uk (Day off - Thursday)

20 November 2016 – Christ the King

Collect of the Day

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

Jeremiah 23.1-6

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46

**R The Lord of hosts is with us;
 the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble;
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
Though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult. **R**

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be overthrown;
God shall help her at the break of day.

The nations make much ado and the kingdoms are shaken;
God has spoken and the earth shall melt away. **R**

Come now and look upon the works of the Lord,
what awesome things he has done on earth.

It is he who makes war to cease in all the world;
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear
and burns the shields with fire.

‘Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth.’ **R**

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Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Brothers and sisters: May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Colossians 1.11-20

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, ‘Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.’ And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, ‘He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of

God, his chosen one!’ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, ‘If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!’ There was also an inscription over him, ‘This is the King of the Jews.’ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, ‘Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!’ But the other rebuked him, saying, ‘Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.’ Then he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.’ Jesus replied, ‘Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.’

Luke 23.33-43

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.