

# NEWSLETTER

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## Today's Hymns

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413	382	382
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## Collect:

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## Psalm Response:

How exalted is your name in all the world!

## Gospel Acclamation:

St John's: Alleluia ...

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

St Luke's: Glory to the Father, glory to the Son, Glory to the Spirit, God the Three-in-One!

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.

1 Father  
1 Son  
+ 1 Holy Spirit  
= 1 GOD

**The feast of the Most Holy Trinity** - Celebrating the unity of God in three persons sets the scene for the next few months. This Sunday sees us return to ordinary time when we pursue our mission to go out to the whole world bearing the good news of Jesus Christ. Our feast today focuses on the nature of God as loving and reaching out to all creation. The Trinity is often presented as a mystery that has at its heart a community of love. Indeed, there is something of this mystery of God in each church and parish that bears the name of Jesus Christ: to mirror the love of God for everyone.

## Trinity Sunday

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

St John's - 8:00 Holy Eucharist; 9:15 Sung Eucharist;

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

Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16;12-16

**Psalm 8:**

1 O Lord our Governor, \* how excellent is thy name in / all the / world: thou that hast set thy / glory a-/bove the / heavens.

2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou rebuked the strong, \* because they / are thine / enemies: that thou mightiest still the / enem-y/ and • the a-/venger.

3 When I consider thy heavens, \* even the / works of • thy / fingers: the moon and the stars / which thou / hast or-/dained.

4 What is man that thou art / mindful • of / him: or the son of man / that thou / visit\*est/ him?

5 Thou madest him little lower / than the / angels: and hast / crowned • him with / glory • and / honour.

6 Thou madest him to have dominion over the / works of • thy / hands: and thou hast put all things in sub-/jection / under • his / feet.

7 All / sheep and / oxen: yea and / all the / beasts • of the / field.

8 The birds of the air and the / fishes • of the / sea: and whatsoever walketh / through the / paths • of the / seas.

†9 O / Lord our / Governor: how excellent is thy / name in / all the / world.

Next week's readings: 1 Kings 8:22,23,41-43; Ps 96:1-19; Galatians 1:1-12; Luke 7:1-110

## Benefice Notes:

**Churches Together in Canton** - There is a service for Christian Unity this evening at 6pm in Canton Uniting Church. Jeremy Tremeer from Cardiff Seventh Day Adventist Church will be preaching. No Explore this evening. All are welcome.

**Benefice Together** - Next Sunday is the 5th Sunday of May and our tradition is to have one service only that day to allow the benefice to worship together as a parish community. Next week the service is in St John's at 10:30 pm.

**PCC and Action Team Meetings:** The next meeting of the PCC is on Sunday 5 June at 7pm; Buildings Team meets on 24 May in St Luke's at 7:30 pm; Pastoral Care team meets on Tuesday 7 June at 7:30 pm in St John's.

**Confirmation Programme 2016** - The next meeting is Sat 28 May at 11:30 in the Vicarage. Forms available online.

**Messy Church** - June's Messy Church is in St John's at 4:00 pm on 12 June. Theme: story of Esther. Planning meeting is today at 5pm in St John's. The Ecumenical Service in Canton Uniting follows this at 6pm.

**Youth Club** - The Youth Club is open to children in year 6 and upwards from 7-9pm on Mondays and Fridays (see website).

**Newsletter items** - any items for inclusion in the newsletter please send to Linsay Jones [linsaycoolhouse@hotmail.com](mailto:linsaycoolhouse@hotmail.com). Space is limited. If you'd like an email copy of the newsletter and readings please ask Sheila on [mgsmkelly1@gmail.com](mailto:mgsmkelly1@gmail.com)

**Home Group** - bible study group, looking at the Sunday gospel readings, meets every Thurs in St John's 7-9pm. For more details contact Andrew Sims: 02920 344641 [maxsimsim@hotmail.com](mailto:maxsimsim@hotmail.com)

## St Catherine's Notes:

**Bookings** - To book the Hall contact the clergy or email [hall.stcatherines@gmail.com](mailto:hall.stcatherines@gmail.com).

**Summer Fair** - 25 June. Advance notice that the usual help is needed. More details soon

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

## St John's Notes:

**Eucharist Settings Consultation** - Please see our website for the shortlist of the new musical offerings and let David Morgan or the clergy know your order of preference.

**Monthly Lunch** - The next monthly lunch at St John's is Friday 27th May at 12 noon.

**Corpus Christi** - The feast known as Thanksgiving for Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thurs in St John's at 10:30.

**Ty Bronna** - this month's collection for Ty Bronna is cereals.

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

**Midweek Services:** Holy Eucharist on Thursdays at 10:30

## St Luke's Notes:

**Sparkling Afternoon Tea** - Sat 18 June in the hall from 3:30 pm for the Queen's 90th birthday. A glass of prosecco will add to the fayre. Ticket £6.50 from Margaret Williams, Sue Bainton or the churchwardens.

**Women's Group** - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May 7.30 Park View Café. Margaret Jones- Home to Bardsey.

**Christian Aid Week** - Thanks to all those who have collected in streets or are donating to CA. Please give bags, filled envelopes today to Diana, Lynda or Brenda. There is extra time before we count the final total.

**Photo group** with Paul Jones on Mondays in St Luke's from 7 -9pm. £5 per session.

**Hall Bookings** - To book the Hall please contact Jackie or Haydn Page on 029 2091 3808 [haydnpage@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:haydnpage@hotmail.co.uk)

**Midweek Services:** Masses at 10:00 am on Tuesdays and Wednesdays; 6:30 pm on Fridays; and 10:30 am on Saturdays.

**Recently Departed:** Maria Lloyd, Margaret Gibbs, Gail Lewis, Eileen Price

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

**Sun 22** Abercynon: Dr Sarah Rogers (Pin C) Pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico; **Trinity Sunday**

**Mon 23** Aberdare St Elvan, Robert Davies (V); Diocese of Christ the King (SA);

**Tues 24** Aberdare St Fagan, Richard Green (V); Christchurch (NZ); **Charles and John Wesley;**

**Wed 25** The Dean and Archdeacons; Chubu (Japan); **St Bede;**

**Thur 26** Cwmbach, Ven. Christopher Smith (PinC); Clogher (Ireland); **CORPUS CHRISTI;**

**Fri 27** Hirwaun, Ceirion Rees (PinC) Coimbatore (India); **St Augustine of Canterbury**

**Sat 28** Mountain Ash and Miskin, Michael Jones (V); **St Melangell;**

**Sun 29** Penrhiwceiber, Matthewstown and Ynysboeth; Anglican Centre in Rome; **Trinity 1**

## 22 May 2016 – Trinity Sunday

### Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, 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 Proverbs.

Thus says the wisdom of God:

Does not wisdom call,  
and does not understanding raise her voice?

On the heights, beside the way,  
at the crossroads she takes her stand;  
beside the gates in front of the town,  
at the entrance of the portals she cries out:

‘To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.

‘The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,  
the first of his acts of long ago.

Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth,  
when there were no springs abounding with water.

Before the mountains had been shaped,  
before the hills, I was brought forth –  
when he had not yet made earth and fields,  
or the world’s first bits of soil.

When he established the heavens, I was there,  
when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,  
when he made firm the skies above,  
when he established the fountains of the deep,  
when he assigned to the sea its limit,  
so that the waters might not transgress his command,  
when he marked out the foundations of the earth,  
then I was beside him, like a master worker;  
and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,  
rejoicing in his inhabited world  
and delighting in the human race.’

*Proverbs 8.1-4,22-31*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm 8*

**R How exalted is your name in all the world!**

O Lord our governor,  
how exalted is your name in all the world!  
Out of the mouths of infants and children  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.  
You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

**R**

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,  
What are mortals, that you should be mindful of them?  
mere human beings, that you should seek them out?  
You have made them little lower than the angels;  
you adorn them with glory and honour.

**R**

You give them mastery over the works of your hands;  
and put all things under their feet,  
All sheep and oxen,  
even the wild beasts of the field,  
The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,  
and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.

**R**

O Lord, our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world!

**R How exalted is your name in all the world!**

## **Second Reading**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

*Romans 5.1-5*

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## **Gospel**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

*John 16.12-15*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever.