

NEWSLETTER

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Today's Hymns

St Catherine's	St John's	St Luke's
19	19	12
114	249	382
118	88	162
343		409

Collect:

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Psalm Response:

Light shines in the darkness for the upright.

Gospel Acclamation:

St John's: Alleluia ...

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

St Luke's: **Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love**

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.



When you give a feast invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind and you will be blessed.

Sometimes it is hard to forget how radically different Jesus' idea of community life is compared to our own traditions (and to those of the society he grew up in). One temptation for Christians is to file this reality away for someone else and another time. Yet, the call of Christ demands we heed his words and convert them into actions.

Trinity 14

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

St John's - 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

Sirach 10:12-18; Psalm 112; Hebrews 13:1-8,15,16; Luke 14:1,7-14

Psalm 112

1 Praise ye the Lord. * Blessed is the man that / feareth • the / Lord: and hath great de-/light in / his com-/mandments. **2** His seed shall be mighty / in the / land: the generation of the / upright / shall be / blessed. **3** Riches and plenteousness shall / be • in his / house: and his righteousness / shall en-/dure for / ever. **4** Unto the upright there ariseth / light • in the / darkness: the /righteous • is / loving • and / merciful. **5** It is good for a man to be generous / when he / lendeth: and to / order • his / ways with / justice. **6** For he shall / never • be / moved: and the righteous shall be had in / ever-/lasting • re-/membrance. **7** He will not be afraid of any / evil / tidings: for his heart is steadfast and / trusteth / in the / Lord. **8** His heart is firm and / will not / fear: at the last he shall see his de-/sire up-/on his / enemies. **9** He hath given / freely • to the / poor: his righteousness endureth for ever, * his horn shall / be ex-/alted • with / honour. **10** The wicked shall see it and / shall be / angry: he shall gnash his teeth and consume away; * the desire of the / wicked • shall / come to / nought.

Next week's readings: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14: 25-33

Benefice Notes:

Services during August - The normal services resume from 5 September 2016.

Churches Together - Joint Worship Service hosted by Canton Salvation Army on Sun 11 September at 5pm. All are welcome to celebrate our common faith.

Back to Church Sunday 18 September - each year we encourage each other and perhaps friends and families to accompany us as we go to church. Who might you want to invite this year? Invite cards will be available in September.

Faith Pictures is a short course designed to help us talk naturally about our faith and

what we believe. The the course is about helping people to identify a single picture or image that embodies something of our faith. It starts on 7 September at 7:30 pm in the vicarage (for 6 Wednesdays). See website for details or ask Fr Phelim.

Messy Church: The next MC is on Sun 18 September at 4pm in St John's. Planning meet is next Sun in St Johns at 5pm.

Confirmation Programme - The programme will resume on Sat 17 September at 11:30 am in the vicarage.

Newsletter items - any items for inclusion in the newsletter please send to Linsay Jones 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

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 maxsims@hotmail.com

PCC and Action Teams Forthcoming meetings: PCC - Sun 18 Sept at 6:30pm (St Johns); Finance - Tues 13 Sept at 7:30 pm (Rectory); Youth Team - Fri 23 Sept at 6:00pm (St Catherine's Hall); Pastoral Care - Tues 20 Sept at 7:30 pm (St John's).

Mothers' Union - Eucharist with Fr Phelim in St John's on 5 September at 2pm.

St Catherine's Notes:

Betty Littlewood RIP - It is with immense sadness that we announce the death of Betty Littlewood. After a mercifully short illness, Betty died peacefully on Friday afternoon. The longest serving and one of the most faithful members of St Catherine's congregation, Betty's constant and heartening presence will be sorely missed. We send our love and condolences to Betty's family and give thanks to God for Betty's life and faith. May she rest for ever in peace in the nearer presence of God, whom she believed in so strongly and witnessed to so faithfully all her long life.

Sunday Club - Resumes in September. There is a meeting about Sunday Club and family worship on Monday 12 Sept at 7pm. Contact Jane Holland for details at jhollandcardiff@hotmail.com

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:

Ty Bronna - this month's collection is washing up liquid.

Coffee Morning - There will be no Coffee Morning and Book Sale this month, the next one will be 17th September.

Harvest Supper - No monthly lunch this month or in September, but the Harvest Supper will be on 1 October. There is an open meeting after the 9:15 service on Sun 4 Sept to discuss details. Help is needed with all aspects of the evening.

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

St Luke's Notes:

Mass Times: Please note that from the beginning of September the Friday evening mass will be at 6pm instead of 6:30pm.

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

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

Recently Departed: Keith Simmons, Terence Chambers, Betty Littlewood

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

- Sun 28** Dyffryn, Stephen Bodycombe (V); Province of Sudan and South Sudan; **St Augustine of Hippo Trinity 14**
- Mon 29** Llansawel, Briton Ferry, Wendy Taylor (PinC); Gahini (Rwanda); **Beheading of John the Baptist**
- Tues 30** RB of Neath, Stephen Ryan (R); Linda Newman (TV); Wendy Taylor (TV); Liz Rees (CNSM); Gambia;
- Wed 31** Initial Ministerial Education officer, Zoe King; Gboko, (Nigeria); **St Aidan**
- Thur 1** Skewen, Chris Coles (PinC); George (South Africa);
- Fri 2** Vale of Neath, Andrew Davies (PinC); Georgia (USA); **Lucian Tapiedi, Missionary and Martyr in PNG**
- Sat 3** Vale of Glamorgan Deanery, Martyn Davies (AD); Gippsland and Grafton (Australia); **St Gregory the Great;**
- Sun 4** Colwinston, Llandow and Llysworney, Alan Kettle (PinC); Tanzania; **St Cuthbert; Trinity 15**

Team Rector: Canon Mark Preece; 029 2056 2022 rector@beneficeofcanton.org.uk (Day off - Monday)

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

28th August 2016 – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Proper 17*)**Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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 Ecclesiasticus.

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord;
the heart has withdrawn from its Maker.

For the beginning of pride is sin,
and the one who clings to it pours out abominations.

Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities,
and destroys them completely.

The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers,
and enthrones the lowly in their place.

The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations,
and plants the humble in their place.

The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations,
and destroys them to the foundations of the earth.

He removes some of them and destroys them,
and erases the memory of them from the earth.

Pride was not created for human beings,
or violent anger for those born of women.

Ecclesiasticus 10.12-18

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 112

R Light shines in the darkness for the upright.

Alleluia.

Happy are they who fear the Lord
and have great delight in his commandments!

Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches will be in their house,
and their righteousness will last for ever.

R

Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
It is good for them to be generous in lending
and to manage their affairs with justice.
For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance. **R**

They will not be afraid of any evil rumours;
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
Their heart is established and will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies. **R**

They have given freely to the poor,
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;
they will hold up their head with honour.
The wicked will see it and be angry;
they will gnash their teeth and pine away;
the desires of the wicked will perish. **R**
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Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence,

‘The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?’

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Hebrews 13.1-8,15-16

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Gospel

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. ‘When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, “Give this person your place,” and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, “Friend, move up higher”; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.’

He said also to the one who had invited him, ‘When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.’

Luke 14.1,7-14

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.