

NEWSLETTER

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The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity



Collect for 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.

Today's Gospel

Almost everybody says what a difficult parable this one from Luke is. Jesus appears to be commending the behaviour of a dishonest manager, would Jesus really extol the virtues of corrupt business practice? We need to remember that the parables of Jesus do have some fairly horrible people used as examples. It is not that we should copy these people, rather there are lessons to be observed from what they do. In the parable of the wise and foolish virgins for example, the wise virgins tell the foolish ones to go and get their own oil instead of trying to borrow some of theirs. This is quite selfish behaviour, but the point Jesus is making is that we should be prepared, he is not saying we should be selfish and refuse to share with others! Think again about the man who knew that treasure was buried in a field. He said nothing to the owner but went and bought the field. That is not particularly pleasant behaviour, but it does make the point that if something is valuable, then it is worth sacrificing everything to get hold of it.

St Catherine's: 10.30 am Choral Eucharist
Today's Hymns: 161, 409, 720, 474

St John's: 9.00 am Sung Eucharist
Today's Hymns: 690, 662, 630

St Luke's: 10.30 Sung Mass
Today's Hymns: 646 590 610 617
Psalm Response: Give praise to the Lord who lifts up the poor
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia x 4

Psalm 113

1. Praise ye the Lord, * Sing praises O ye servants / of the / Lord: O / praise the / name • of the / Lord.
- 2 Blessèd be the / name • of the / Lord: from this time / forth for / ever-/more.
- 3 The Lord's / name be / praised: from the rising up of the sun * unto the / going / down • of the / same.
- 4 The Lord is high a-/bove all / nations: and his / glory • a-/bove the / heavens.
- 5 Who is like unto the Lord our God, * that sitteth en-/throned on / high: yet looketh down to behold the things that / are in / heaven • and / earth?
- 6 He taketh up the lowly / out • of the / dust: and lifteth the / poor / from the / dunghill,
- 7 That he may / set him • with / princes: even with the / princes / of his / people.
- 8 He giveth the barren woman a home where-/in to / dwell: and maketh her to be a joyful mother of children. */ Praise / ye the / Lord.

Next week's readings: Genesis 28: 10-17; Psalm 103: 19-22; Revelation 12: 7-12; John 1: 47-51

Mothers' Union are collecting any items of jewellery, old watches etc broken or otherwise also old & new banknotes (UK or foreign) from September until the end of October. These will be forwarded on to be sold and the money raised will go to support various Mothers' Union charities. This is a lovely way to make a contribution to family life all over the world.

Safeguarding Training: The Church in Wales Safeguarding Policy outlines that if you are involved in working with our young people in the Benefice eg Sunday School/Club and/ or Messy Church, you should attend a Safeguarding training session. This has been arranged for Wednesday 25th September from 6 – 8pm in St John's Church. Please make every effort to attend this session. It will be led by staff from St Padarn's. Sue Jones will keep a register of those who attend so please confirm your attendance with her (email below). If you are unable to attend this session Sue will organize another at a later date.

Sunday School/Club Fundraising event: our children and young people will be making Christmas cards this year to fundraise for the maintenance of our heating boilers in our churches. Children will be invited to design a card when they attend either St Johns or St Catherine's Sunday clubs during September. The designs will then be sent off and each child will then receive a sample card with their design printed on it. Information on how to buy the cards will be sent out with the sample cards (I also have a generic sample bag and tea towel if parents would like to buy those). If anyone would like a template to complete at home they can email Annie c/o

office@beneficeofcanton@gmail.com

Induction of Rev'd Frances: we will be welcoming Rev'd Frances to Canton in October. The celebration for her induction will take place on Tuesday 22nd October at St Catherine's Church at 7.30pm. Please come along and support Rev'd Frances and extend a warm welcome to her guests. Refreshments will follow the service. Following the induction of Rev'd Frances, she will celebrate her first Mass at a Benefice service at St Luke's on 27th October at 10.30 am.

Benefice Together Service: there will be a Benefice Together Service on 29th September at St Catherine's Church at 10.30 am. There will be no other services that day.

A message from Rev'd Frances: I'm really looking forward to getting to know everyone in the Benefice and it would help me enormously if I wasn't embarrassed to have forgotten your name! I'm therefore asking a favour; please would you mind offering a small photo to give me a head start.'

Cardiff half Marathon Road Closures: On Sunday 6th October the annual Cardiff University/Cardiff Half Marathon returns to the streets of Cardiff, bringing many of the world's top athletes to the city. The race will start outside Cardiff Castle at 10.00am with road closures in place beforehand. The finish line is on King Edward VII Avenue, outside the Temple of Peace. The event will be broadcast live on BBC One and BBC Radio Wales/Cymru. One of the top endurance events in the UK, this is a major sporting event for our city with 25,000 runners from all over the world taking part and is Wales's largest fundraising event with over £3 million raised at the 2018 event.

Due to the nature of the event, it will be necessary to implement road closures along the route to facilitate the safe passage of the participants and this may have implications to you and your business if you open on a Sunday. For further information please refer to www.cardiffhalfmarathon.co.uk/pre-race-info/route where you will find the route map on which highlights approximate timings of the road closures and when to expect the first runners around the route. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience this may cause and assure you that we will try to keep any disruption to a minimum. We wish to thank you for your understanding and we are grateful for your continued support and cooperation. We would love you to turn out on the day and join the thousands of spectators who will be cheering on the runners from around Wales, the UK

Thank you to all who supported and/or attending our first fundraising event. It was a huge success with 75 people attending, excellent prizes and much support from the community, especially the Co-op. Special thanks to Annie and Linsay for organising the event. We have yet to finalise the final figure, but around £1800 was raised towards our heating systems.

Home insurance – all of our churches are insured by a company called Ecclesiastical who are specialists for charities and churches. They are offering a special deal that anyone who takes out a new domestic policy with them they will pay £130 to the church of your choice. Please bear in mind when getting your next set of quotes for your home buildings and contents this offer and quote Trust130. Must be done by Dec 31st.

St Catherine's Notes:

Curry Night: our next event will be a curry night on 1st November. Details to follow.

Midweek service: Holy Eucharist Wednesday 11.00 am

St John's Notes:

Ty Bronna: We are collecting tomato ketchup and brown sauce throughout September. Please leave in the box in church.

Sunday School: **Sept** 22nd Sunday School; 29th Benefice service – no Sunday School **Oct** 6th Sunday School; 13th Messy Church; 20th Sunday School; 27th half term – no Sunday School **Nov** 3rd half term – no Sunday School; 10th Messy Church; 17th Sunday School; 24th Sunday School; **Dec** 1st Sunday School; 8th Messy Church; 15th Sunday School; 22nd – no Sunday School. Helping with Sunday school is a fun and rewarding way to help our children grow in faith. Please ask any of the Sunday school leaders if you'd like to get involved, either as a taster or on a more regular basis.

Harvest Supper: our annual supper will be on Saturday 5th October. 4 courses with a glass of wine for £12. Enjoy good food with good company. Tickets available from Jean or Elaine.

Midweek Service: Holy Eucharist Thursday 10.30 am

St Luke's Notes:

Social Events: here are some dates for your diary.....details for each event will be published nearer the time.

26th October: Italian Night – tickets £10 (limited to 30 people); 7th December – Advent Coffee Morning; 12th January Benefice lunch (limited to 60 people); 25th February – Shrove Tuesday Sausage, chips and pancakes.

Midweek Services: Tuesday 10.00 am; Friday 6.00pm

Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun Sept 22 nd	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Duffryn: Stephen Bodycombe (V) <i>the Church of the Province of Uganda</i>
Mon Sept 23 rd	Skewen: Chris Coles (PinC) <i>Panama (Central America); Central Pennsylvania; Kivu (Rwanda)</i>
Tues Sept 24 th	Vale of Neath: Andrew Davies (V) <i>Pankshin (Nigeria); Central Philippines (Philippines)</i>
Weds Sept 25 th	The Governing Body and those who represent this diocese. <i>Panyana Area (South Sudan); Central Solomons (Melanesia); Central Tanganyika (Tanzania)</i>
Thurs Sept 26 th	Llansawel, Briton Ferry: Sandra Birdsall (V) <i>Papua New Guinea (Papua New Guinea); Central Zambia</i>
Fri Sept 27 th	Rectorial Benefice of Neath: Lynda Newman (R) <i>Paraguay; Central Zimbabwe; Kobe (Japan)</i>
Sat Sept 28 th	<u>DEANERY OF VALE OF GLAMORGAN: Area Dean:</u> Canon Martyn Davies <i>Patna (North India)</i>

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