

NEWSLETTER

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All Saints' Sunday



Collect for the day

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints

in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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

All Saints is a yearly celebration in which we are encouraged to remember that we are literally 'all saints!' We tend to think of people like Mother Theresa as saints. They are special because their lives reflect the very best of human behaviour. As we think of them and the way that they lived we are encouraged to be more like them. This is all well and good but we need to also remember that you and I are saints as well. We might not live such remarkable lives as Mother Theresa, but we are still saints. This is because we are already holy by virtue of being God's children. We do not have to work hard trying to become God's children, we already are! In the same way that a child might work hard to please their parents, so we will want our lives to measure up, but we are already God's, we are already saints because we call Him Father. Of course like all children we sometimes let ourselves and our parents down, the good news is that just like any good parent, that doesn't mean that God stops loving us. At this time of year we admire saints, we use them as role models to encourage ourselves that we can do better. But we do not lose sight of our special relationship to God who loves each one of us as he made us.

St Catherine's: 10.30 am Choral Eucharist

Today's Hymns: 314, 177, 144, 17

St John's: 9.00 am Sung Eucharist

Today's Hymns: 646, 571, 221

St Luke's: 10.30 Sung Mass 6.00pm All Souls' Memorial Service

Today's Hymns: 16, 177, 755

Psalm Response: My mouth O Lord shall speak of wisdom and my heart shall meditate on understanding

Gospel Acclamation: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love

6.00pm All Souls' Memorial Service in St Luke's. Families of those whose funerals have taken place in Canton over the past year have been invited to a special service to remember their loved ones. Please come along to support or help with refreshments.

Psalm 149

- 1 Praise ye the Lord. * O sing unto the Lord a / new / song: praise him in the as-/sembly / of his / servants.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in / him that / made him: and let the children of Zion be / joyful / in their / King.
- 3 Let them praise his / name • in the / dance: let them sing praises unto / him with / timbrel • and / harp.
- 4 For the Lord hath / pleasure • in his / people: and giveth victory to / them that / are op-/pressed.
- 5 Let the godly be / joyful • with / glory: let them re-/joice up-/on their / beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be / in their / mouth: and a / two-edged / sword • in their / hands,
- 7 To inflict vengeance / on the / nations: and / punish-ment / on the / peoples,
- 8 To bind their / kings in / chains: and their / nobles • with / links of / iron,
- 9 To execute upon them the judgement that / hath been /written: such honour have all his servants. * / Praise / ye the / Lord.

Next week's readings: Job 19: 23-27a; Psalm 17: 1-9; Thessalonians 2: 1-5,13-17; Luke 20: 27-38

An invite from Mother Frances: you are invited to a housewarming get together at the Rectory on Saturday 16th November between 3 and 7 pm. Please put this date in your diary, when you can meet and get to know Mother Frances at her home.

Congratulations to Rev'd Emma and Nick on the arrival of Eleanor Renee, 6lb 14oz. We wish you God's blessing and every happiness with your new bundle of joy.

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.

Repair café – Dusty Forge: has opened a repair cafe to offer local people an opportunity to have items repaired and/or work as part of a volunteer team of fixers and hosts. These regular monthly Saturday morning repair cafes will complement other projects expanding into weekend services at the Dusty Forge. Volunteers are key to the success of repair cafes and we're now building up a pool of people who can spare time on Saturdays once a month 10am-1pm — we're flexible about how often you can contribute. Interested in sharing your skills as a 'fixer' or offering to welcome local people to our new repair cafe as a 'host'? To find out more contact Dave Horton, ACE Development Manager via email daveh@aceplace.org

Oakwood House: Mother Frances has arranged a service at Oakwood House on Romilly Road every third Thursday of the month, starting on 19th December starting at 11.30-am. This month, though, it will be a Remembrance Service on Monday 11th November, starting at 10.30am. Maybe you would like to be involved and consider whether this is something you wish to take up and support on a regular basis. If Thursday is not a good day for anyone, we are also looking to go regularly into other Homes, so wait for further announcements.

St Catherine's Notes:

Curry Night: "Canton Benefice Curry Night Fundraiser" at 7.45pm for 8pm start on Saturday 9 November 2019 in the St Catherine's Hall. Tickets in advance only £15 per head to include your first alcoholic or soft drink. £10 for U14s. Strictly limited to 50 tickets. Please see Dan or Fran Caunt in church or contact any of the St Catherine's Sunday Club team. We'll get the tickets to you!

Christmas fair: Sat November 30th at 2pm – please keep the date free for this important event helping to boost our church fundraising.

Floor cushions - We have a number of giant size floor cushions no longer required. If you would like one please arrange it with Colin, Gareth or the church wardens. A small donation to the Sunday club would also be welcome.

Midweek service: Holy Eucharist Wednesday 11.00 am

St John's Notes:

Christmas Tree Festival at St. John's this year will be from Friday 29th November to Sunday 1st December. Forms are now available from Jean Williams if you would like to put in a tree. No fee and on any theme. For more information please do not hesitate to contact Jean or Elaine.

Sunday School: Nov: 10th Messy Church; 17th Sunday School; 24th Sunday School; **Dec** 1st Sunday School; 8th Messy Church; 15th Sunday School; 22nd – no Sunday School.

Ty Bronna: as last year, we will be collecting for Ty Bronna instead of the shoeboxes. Toiletries, Socks, gloves, Scarves, Slippers Size 9 – 11, Girls 4 – 6; Pyjamas all sizes. Supermarket, Cinema or music vouchers. Closing date Sunday 8th December.

Midweek Service: Holy Eucharist Thursday 10.30 am

St Luke's Notes:

Advent Coffee Morning: 7th December 10.30-12.30. Tickets £3 available now; 12th January Benefice lunch £9.50 tickets available from Sue Bainton or church wardens (limited to 60 people); 25th February – Shrove Tuesday Sausage, chips and pancakes.

Quiet day: Fr Rhys is organizing a day of prayer and reflection on St Matthew's Gospel on 23rd November. We will be moving into Year A of the Lectionary on 1st December and Matthew's Gospel is the focus for Year A. For more information please talk to Fr Rhys. Refreshments will be available.

Midweek Services: Tuesday 10.00 am; Friday 6.00pm

Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun Nov 3 rd	ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY Dinas & Penygraig: Jeffrey Thomas (PinC)	<i>the Church of Bermuda</i>
Mon Nov 4 th	Pen Rhondda Fawr: Philip Leyshon (PinC)	<i>Rockhampton (Australia); Delhi; Kutigi (Nigeria)</i>
Tues Nov 5 th	Tonypandy w Clydach Vale & Williamstown: Terry Cox (NSM. PinC)	<i>Rokon (South Sudan); Derby</i>
Weds Nov 6 th	Diocesan Promoter of Retreats: Colin Sutton	<i>Rorya (Tanzania); Derry & Raphoe (Ireland); Dhaka (Bangladesh)</i>
Thurs Nov 7 th	Porth Newydd: Jeffrey Thomas (PinC)	<i>Ruaha (Tanzania); Diocese in Europe</i>
Fri Nov 8 th	The Saints of Wales Pontrhondda: Peter Gale (V)	<i>Rumbek (South Sudan); The Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands</i>
Sat Nov 9 th	Rhondda Fach Uchaf: David Jones (PinC)	<i>The Free State (Southern Africa)</i>

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