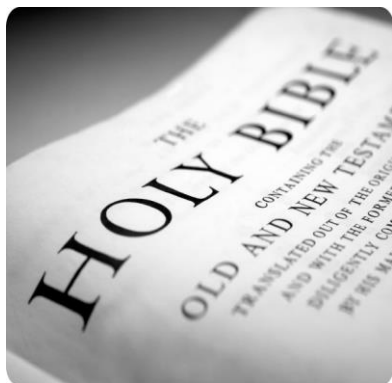


# NEWSLETTER

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## Bible Sunday

Today is Bible Sunday. We thank God for the scriptures and also for the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We worship God and renew our commitment to walk in ways of love and peace.



### Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Today's Readings

**First Reading** Nehemiah 8:1-4a [5-6] 8-12

The people of Israel hear the Law of Moses read to them and respond with joy and a new commitment to following that law.

**Second Reading** Colossians 3:12-17

Paul encourages his readers to be deeply immersed in the word of Christ and to live out his good news of love, compassion and forgiveness.

**Gospel** Matthew 24:30-35

Jesus talks about signs that will herald his coming in glory and declares that his words will remain true for ever no matter what happens.

### Benefice Together at St

**Catherine's:** 10.30 am Sung Eucharist with Canon Colin Wilcox

**Today's Hymns:** 114, 755, 629, 37

**St John's:** Baptism 12.30pm

There are no other services in the Benefice today.

### Psalm 119:9-16

- 9 How shall a young man keep himself / unde-/filed: even by ruling him- /self / after • thy / word.  
 10 With my whole heart / have I / sought thee: O let me not go a-/stray from / thy com-/mandments.  
 11 Thy words have I hid with- /in my / heart: that I / should not / sin a-/gainst thee.  
 12 Blessèd art / thou O / Lord: O / teach me / thy / statutes.  
 13 With my lips have / I been / telling: of all the / judgements / of thy / mouth,  
 14 I have had greater delight in the / way of • thy / testimonies : than in / all / manner • of / riches.  
 15 I will meditate / on thy / precepts; and I will give / heed / unto • thy / ways.  
 16 My delight shall be / in thy / statutes: and I will / not for-/get thy / word.

**Newsletter:** for any items to be included in this newsletter please email Sue Jones ([office@beneficeofcanton.org.uk](mailto:office@beneficeofcanton.org.uk)) Deadline is 12 noon on Fridays. For an email copy of the newsletter please contact Sheila at [mgsmkelly1@gmail.com](mailto:mgsmkelly1@gmail.com)

**Friday Youth Club** at St Catherine's Church Hall 7pm-8:30pm Youth club is back. This activity and games based group is for all young people in year 5 and above. It is free to attend and the only money 'needed' is for the tuck shop! We are also in urgent need of volunteers to help on Friday evenings. Can you commit to one Friday evening a term to help? For more information contact Sarah Burton

**Shoebox Appeal:** leaflets are now available for the Samaritan Purse shoebox appeal. Please bring your shoeboxes to church by 14<sup>th</sup> November. More details from Ruth Honey 20553603.

**Benefice Confirmation:** Bishop June will be confirming candidates on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 10.30 am at St Luke's Church. This will be a Benefice Together Service.

**Reformation Study Group** will meet in the Salvation Army for a service this Monday at 7.30pm.

**Paradise Run:** The next run will be on Saturday, November 4th. Please take your food on the day to Sylvia (114, Pencisely Road) or to Diana (23, Greenfield Avenue) between 6-7. Any old blankets or duvets would be greatly received. Thank you

## St Catherine's Notes:

**Hall Bookings:** To book the Hall email Bev on [hall.stcatherines@gmail.com](mailto:hall.stcatherines@gmail.com).

**The Big Christmas Fair** – to be held on Sat Nov 25<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Please keep the date free and we are looking for stalls with a real Christmas spirit represented in the products ie gifts/cakes/bottles. Leaflets/posters will be available in church with a plan of the action. A major event for our parish helping to fund our building.

**Midweek Services:** Holy Eucharist - Wednesday at 11am

## St John's Notes:

**Ty Bronna:** We are collecting toiletries throughout November. Please leave in the box in church.

**Christmas Tree Festival:** our annual Christmas Tree Festival will be held from Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November. If you wish to contribute in any way – presenting a tree/manning a stall/helping with refreshments or on the door – please speak to Jean Williams.

**Sunday Lunch:** On the 12th November, Philippa Haughton will be cooking Sunday Lunch in St. John's in order to raise money for Tearfund. Lunch will be stew, veg and potatoes, and a hot pudding for a suggested donation of £5-£10. Please email [philippa.haughton@gmail.com](mailto:philippa.haughton@gmail.com) if you'd like to come along and share food with us - or sign up in church. We'll be sitting down to eat at 12.30. All welcome!

**Midweek Services:** Holy Eucharist Thursday 10.30 am.

## St Luke's Notes:

**All Souls' Requiem** Solemn Mass will be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 7.30pm. Please add names of RIP loved ones to the list at the back of each church. These will be read out during the service.

**All Souls' Memorial Service:** we will remember those who have died during the past 12 months during this service on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00pm. Please come along and support those who are bereaved.

**Christmas Afternoon Tea:** come along to enjoy an afternoon of festive delights with a high tea at St Luke's Hall on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 3.00pm. There will be a chance to buy Christmas goodies and to enjoy Christmas music as you tuck into your afternoon tea. Tickets include a glass of prosecco and a savoury and sweet Christmas tea. Tickets from Sue B, Margaret and Lynda.

**Midweek services:** Said Mass Friday 6.00pm; Saturday 10.30am.

## Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun Oct 29 <sup>th</sup>	BIBLE SUNDAY Treharris, Trelewis, Bedlinog and Llanfabon: Gareth Coombes (PinC) <i>Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli - (South India)</i>
Oct 30 <sup>th</sup>	Troedyrhiw with Merthyr Vale: Stephen Barnes (V) <i>Toamasina - (Indian Ocean)</i>

Oct 31 <sup>st</sup>	Ystrad Mynach and Llanbradach: Canon Steven Kirk (V) <i>Tohoku - (Japan)</i>
Nov 1st	ALL SAINTS Readers in the Diocese: Warden of Readers: Rev'd. Caroline Down <i>Tokyo - (Japan)</i>
Nov 2nd	ALL SOULS Rectorial Benefice of Eglwysilan and Caerphilly: - Mark Greenaway-Robbins (R) <i>Toliara - (Indian Ocean)</i>

Nov 3rd	DEANERY OF PONTYPRIDD: Area Dean: Michael Gable <i>(Loryko, South Sudan)</i>
Nov 4th	Pontypridd: Ministry Area Michael Gable (TV) Peter Lewis (TV) David Nyirongo (TV) <i>Toronto - (Ontario, Canada)</i>