

NEWSLETTER

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The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Today we hear how Mary and Joseph present Jesus to the Lord at the Temple in Jerusalem. So with Simeon let us rejoice in God's salvation for all people, and with Anna let us praise and worship the Lord.



Collect of the Day

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 Malachi 3:1-5

The message of good news about the coming of the Lord carries a warning for the people of Israel. Are they ready for the Lord's judgement?

Second Reading Hebrews 2:14-end

The Lord has come in human form and so, in understanding our struggles, is merciful to us, helping us through testing times.

Gospel Luke 2:22-40

The Lord comes to the Temple as a baby and is recognised by Simeon, who also sees the controversies and struggles that lie ahead for Jesus.

St Catherine's: 8.00am Holy Eucharist; 10.30 am Sung Eucharist with The Rev'd Sarah Rogers

Today's Hymns: 428, 2, 157, 332

St John's: 9.00 am Sung Eucharist; 6.00pm Reflective Prayer led by Dylan Parry-Jones

Today's Hymns: 99, 375, 419

St Luke's: 10:30 am Sung Mass

Today's Hymns: 99, 381, 419

Psalm response: The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia Opening our hearts to Him singing Alleluia Alleluia Jesus is our King.

Psalm 24: 7 – 10

7 Lift up your heads O ye gates, * and be ye lift up ye ever-/lasting / doors: that the King of / glory / may come / in,

8 'Who is the / King of / glory?': 'It is the Lord strong and mighty, * even the / Lord / mighty • in / battle.'

9 Lift up your heads O ye gates, * and be ye lift up ye ever-/lasting / doors: that the King of / glory / may come / in.

10 'Who is the / King of / glory?': 'Even the Lord of hosts, * / he • is the / King of / glory.'

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

Benefice Pastoral Assistant Training will meet again today at 4.30pm in St John's. This is an important ministry and you will be trained to visit the sick and housebound. If you have any questions, please speak to Fr Mark, Br Dominic, Samuel or Dylan.

St Catherine's Notes:

Hall Bookings: To book the Hall email Bev on hall.stcatherines@gmail.com.

Tree Improvement Project: Leaflets are available explaining how you can support this work at St Catherine's. Please take copies and share with family, friends, and work colleagues

Shrove Tuesday: Mardi Gras Tickets priced at £7.50 are available. You can expect: 3 course supper, licensed bar, entertainment, disco, raffle. Contact Clive on **07931 522683** or email: clivewestwood@btinternet.com Don't delay. Tickets are selling quickly for this popular event.

Sunday Club would like to say a big thank you to Anita Norcott for buying new items for Sunday Club in her mother's memory (Betty Littlewood). We have purchased bright new mats & a rug for the hall (which replace very old, stained & battered ones!) and have some puzzles and books on order for the quiet area. Betty was very fond of the children in church, so this is very fitting.

Help needed: We have a small team of Sunday club leaders and could always do with more – if you fancy helping out (possibly 1 Sunday every 4-6 weeks), please email Jenna at proutie@hotmail.com for more info.

St John's Notes:

Ty Bronna: We are collecting tins and packets of soup throughout January. Please leave in the box in church.

Midweek Services: Holy Eucharist Thursday 10.30 am.

St Luke's Notes:

Midweek services: Said Mass Tuesday 10.00 am; Friday 6.00pm; Saturday 10.30am.

Recently Departed: Carmen Dymond,

Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Jan 28 th	Skewen: Chris Coles (PinC)	<i>Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil</i>
Jan 29 th	Vale of Neath: Andrew Davies (V)	<i>Antananarivo – (Indian Ocean)</i>
Jan 30 th	Llansawel, Briton Ferry: Wendy Taylor CA (Team Vicar in Charge)	<i>Antsiranana – (Indian Ocean)</i>
Jan 31 st	Hospital Chaplains in the Diocese & Beyond.	<i>Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia</i>
Feb 1 st	Rectorial Benefice of Neath: Canon Stephen Ryan (R),	<i>Argyll & The Isles – (Scotland)</i>
Feb 2 nd	THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST - Candlemas Deanery of the Vale of Glamorgan: Area Dean: Canon Martyn Davies	<i>Arizona and Arkansas</i>
Feb 3 rd	Colwinston, Llandow & Llysworney: Alan Kettle (PinC)	<i>Armidale – New South Wales</i>

