

# NEWSLETTER

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## The Third Sunday of Lent

### Introduction and Call to Worship

Today we learn all over again that we belong to the God who loves us to bits and will not leave us in despair. Even when our lives and this beautiful planet seem under threat, the maker of the stars and sea will not abandon creation.

### Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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 Readings

#### First Reading Isaiah 55:1-9

There is an abundance for all in God's economy that is offered without price to anyone who asks.

#### Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

God's people have often forgotten whose they are and have suffered as a consequence of that forgetting, so be strong and remember!

#### Gospel Luke 13:1-9

The question of why some people suffer so much is sometimes asked when we look to blame people for their situation, but Jesus won't accept this as an explanation.



**St Catherine's:** 8.00 am Holy Eucharist; 10.30 am Choral Eucharist

**Today's Hymns:** 315, 252, 156, 392

**St John's:** 9.00 am Sung Eucharist;

**Today's Hymns:** 367, 161, 484

**St Luke's:** 10:30 am Sung Mass in the Chancel

**Today's Hymns:** 161, 343

**Psalm response:** My soul thirsts for you, O my God.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Silent Surrendered calm and still, open to the Word of God, Heart humbled to His will, offered is the Servant of God

### Psalm 63: 1 -8

1 O God / thou • art my / God: right / early / will I / seek thee.

2 My soul thirsteth for thee, \* my flesh also longeth / after / thee: as in a barren and dry land / where no / water / is.

3 Thus have I looked upon thee in thy / holy / place: that I might be-/hold thy / power and / glory.

4 Because thy loving-kindness is better than / life it-/self: therefore my / lips shall / give thee / praise.

5 As long as I live will I / magni-fy / thee: and lift up my / hands / in thy / name.

6 My soul is satisfied, \* even as it were with / marrow • and / fatness: and my mouth praiseth / thee with / joyful / lips.

7 When I remember thee up-/on my / bed: and think of thee in the / watches / of the / night,

8 How that thou hast / been my / helper: and under the shadow of thy / wings have / I found / refuge,

†9 Then hangeth my / soul up-/on thee: thy / right hand / doth up-/hold me.

**Next week's readings:** 1 Samuel 1: 20-28; Psalm 34: 11-20; 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7; Luke 2: 33-35

**Lent Talks 2019** Please find below details of the Diocesan Lent Reflections. Rev'd Emma will be attending all the sessions at St Dyfrig and St Samson Grangetown and is willing to give a lift to anybody who wishes to attend. Please talk to Rev'd Emma for more details.

Format: 20 minute act of worship; 30 minute Talk; 30 minute Q&A

27<sup>th</sup> March Telling a Joyful Story – The Ven C Smith; 3<sup>rd</sup> April Growing the Kingdom of God – The Ven Peggy Jackson; 10<sup>th</sup> April

Building our capacity for good – The Ven M Komor.

**Canton Churches Together Lent Course 2019 - The Mystery Of God:** In 2019, our Lent course delves more deeply into the mystery of God, seeking to rediscover what it is that draws us so deeply in our search for God. We will follow Jesus through the Lenten readings, allowing him to draw us, in love and wonder, into the mystery of God's plan of salvation. Each session will start at 7pm; Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March St John's Church; Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April Calvary Baptist Church rear hall ; Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April St Mary of the Angels Catholic Church

**Mothering Sunday:** please note that next week, Mothering Sunday, will be celebrated as a Benefice Together Service at 10.30 am in St Catherine's. All children are welcome to join St Catherine's Sunday Club.

**PCC:** the PCC will meet this evening at 6.00pm in St John's.

## St Catherine's Notes:

**Hall Bookings:** for hall enquiries Bev can be contacted on [hall.stcatherines@beneficeofcanton.org.uk](mailto:hall.stcatherines@beneficeofcanton.org.uk)

**Logs:** Large circles (heavy) of horse chestnut wood are available for those who have transport to collect. Donations welcome for ground maintenance fund. Contact Clive Westwood on 07931 522683 or email [clivewestwood@btinternet.com](mailto:clivewestwood@btinternet.com)

**Advance notice:** Summer Fair on 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 2.30pm. Please keep this date in your diary.

**Midweek service: Holy Eucharist Wednesday 11.00 am**

## St John's Notes:

**Ty Bronna:** We are collecting sweets and chocolate throughout March. Please leave in the box in church.

**Sunday School:** Sunday school is held on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays of the month, except for school holidays. 2nd Sunday is Messy Church 5th Sunday is Benefice together service. **March dates:** 17th March– Sunday school; 24th March - Sunday school;

31st March – Benefice together service/Mothering Sunday – No Sunday school at St John's. All welcome to join St Catherine's.

**Midweek Service: Holy Eucharist Thursday 10.30 am**

## St Luke's Notes:

**Easter flowers:** If you would like to give a donation for Easter flowers, which make our church look so splendid at Eastertide, please see Brenda, Margaret Charles or Beryl. Many thanks

**Stations of the Cross:** on Fridays throughout Lent we will be walking the Stations of the Cross in place of Mass at 6.00pm on a Friday Evening. Come and follow the footsteps of our Lord, tracing the road to Calvary – pausing for prayer and reflection, then rejoicing in His resurrection.

**Midweek Masses: Said Mass Tuesday 10.00am; Stations of the Cross Friday 6.00 pm**

## Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun Mar 24 <sup>th</sup>	THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Christ Church, Roath Park: Dr. Trystan Hughes (PinC)	<i>Hong Kong</i>
Mon Mar 25 <sup>th</sup>	The Annunciation of our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary St. John the Baptist: Sarah Jones (PinC)	<i>Matana (Burundi); Wad Medani (Sudan); Hyderabad (Pakistan)</i>
Tues Mar 26 <sup>th</sup>	Conventional District of Tremorfa: Vacant	<i>Matlosane (Southern Africa); Waiapu (NZ)</i>
Weds Mar 27 <sup>th</sup>	ORGANISTS & CHOIR LEADERS in the diocese.	<i>Mauritius; Waikato &amp; Taranaki (Aotearoa NZ &amp; Polynesia); Wangaratta (Australia)</i>
Thurs Mar 28 <sup>th</sup>	Gabalfa: Marcus Nelson (V)	<i>Mbaise and Warri (Nigeria)</i>
Fri Mar 29 <sup>th</sup>	Benefice of Grangetown St. Paul w Cardiff St Dyfrig & St. Samson: David Morris (PinC)	<i>Mbale (Uganda); Washington; Ibadan (Nigeria)</i>
Sat Mar 30 <sup>th</sup>	Lisvane : (To be appointed)	<i>Mbamili (Nigeria); Wau and Ibba (South Sudan)</i>

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