

# NEWSLETTER

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## Trinity 19

Today we gather together to draw each other into the quiet and stillness of God's sacred space, that we may be refreshed in spirit and strength to live justly, to love kindness and to walk humbly with our Lord.

### Collect of the Day

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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. Amen.

### Today's Readings

#### First Reading Isaiah 45:1-7

Persian king Cyrus has been chosen by God to be the agent of the Israelites' freedom from Babylonian bondage, returning them to their homeland and bringing the Second Temple into existence.

#### Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul's relationship with the Thessalonian Christians bears fruit in their steadfast commitment to Christ, which they live out as a profound and explicit witness before their neighbours.

#### Gospel Matthew 22:15-22

The Pharisees plot to trap Jesus with a question about paying taxes to the Romans, but he is not to be outwitted.



**St Catherine's:** 10.30 am Sung Eucharist with Canon Peter Cox; Baptism 12.30pm

**Today's Hymns:** 104, 382, 541, 580

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

**Today's Hymns:** 114, 622, 580

**St Luke's:** 10:30 am Sung Mass with The Very Rev'd John Lewis

**Today's Hymns:** 114, 622, 201

**Psalm response:** Ascribe to the Lord honour and power

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia Alleluia opening our hearts to him, singing Alleluia Alleluia Jesus is our

### Psalm 96: 1-9

- 1 O sing unto the Lord a / new / song: sing unto the Lord, / all the / whole / earth.
- 2 Sing unto the Lord and / praise his / name: tell the glad tidings of his sal-/vation • from / day to / day.
- 3 Declare his honour / unto • the / nations: and his wonders / unto / all / peoples.
- 4 For the Lord is great and / highly • to be / praised: he is more to be / feared than / all / gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the nations / are but / idols : but it is the / Lord that / made the / heavens.
- 6 Glory and majesty / are be-/fore him: power and / honour • are / in his / sanctuary.
- 7 Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye families / of the / peoples: ascribe unto the / Lord / honour • and / power.
- 8 Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due / unto • his / name : bring offerings and / come / into • his / courts.
- 9 O worship the Lord in / raiment • of / holiness : let the / whole earth / stand in / awe of him.

**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

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

**Paradise Run:** The next run will be on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. 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

**Benefice Confirmation:** if you are interested in being confirmed this year please speak to Fr Mark, Dominic or Sam for more information. Bishop June will be confirming candidates on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 10.30 am at St Luke's Church.

## 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 washing powder throughout October. 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Midweek services:** No services this week

## Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Oct 22 <sup>nd</sup>	TRINITY 19 Bargoed and Deri w Brithdir	<i>Temotu</i>
Oct 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Dowlais and Penyardren Caroline Owen (V)	<i>Terekeka South Sudan</i>
Oct 24 <sup>th</sup>	Gelligaer: Gary Powell (PinC)	<i>Texas</i>
Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	Churches & Pastoral Aid Committee:	<i>The Arctic</i>
Oct 26 <sup>th</sup>	Merthyr Tydfil, Christ Church:	<i>South Carolina</i>
Oct 27 <sup>th</sup>	Merthyr Tydfil, St. David and Abercanaid: Mark Prevett (PinC)	<i>The Murray Australia</i>
Oct 28 <sup>th</sup>	SIMON & JUDE, APOSTLES Pontlloftyn with Fochriw: Robert Lindsay (PinC)	<i>Thika - (Kenya)</i>