

NEWSLETTER

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Jesus commanded his followers to love one another, and promised to send the Holy Spirit to help them. In our service today, as we relax in God's love, let us determine to express that love to everyone we meet.

Collect of the Day

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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 Acts 10:44-end

Jewish Christians are astonished that while Peter is speaking, his Gentile listeners receive the Holy Spirit

Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6

All who believe in Jesus and obey God conquer the world.

Gospel John 15:9-17

Jesus affirms God's love for human beings and notes that those who love God through Jesus will obey God's commandments. That commandment is to love one another, leading to rich and fruitful lives.



St Catherine's: 10.30 am Choral Eucharist; 12.30 pm Baptism

Today's Hymns: 114, 428, 714, 503

St John's: 8.00 am Holy Eucharist; 9.00 am Sung Eucharist

Today's Hymns: 114, 35, 603

St Luke's: 10:30 am Sung Mass; 6.00 pm Benediction

Today's Hymns: 603, 429, 428

Psalm response: The Lord has made known his victory in the sight of the nations.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia Alleluia Give thanks to the Risen Lord; Alleluia Alleluia give praise to His name.
Spread the Good News o'er all the earth. Jesus has died and is risen.

Psalm 98

- 1 O sing unto the Lord a / new / song: for / he hath • done / marvellous / things;
- 2 With his own right hand and with his / holy / arm: hath he / gotten • him-/self the / victory.
- 3 The Lord hath made / known his / victory: his righteousness hath he openly / shewed • in the / sight • of the / nations.
- 4 He hath remembered his mercy and faithfulness toward the / house of / Israel: and all the ends of the world have seen the / victory / of our / God.
- 5 Shew yourselves joyful in the Lord, / all ye / lands: sing and re-/jice • with the / sound of / melody.
- 6 Make melody unto the Lord up-/on the / harp: even up-/on the / harp and / psaltery.
- 7 With trumpets / also • and / horns: shout with joy be-/fore the / Lord the / King.
- 8 Let the sea roar and all that / therein / is: the world and / they that / dwell there-/in.
- 9 Let the rivers / clap their / hands: and let the hills rejoice to-/gether • be-/fore the / Lord;
- 10 For he cometh to / judge the / earth: in righteousness shall he judge the world, * and the / peoples / with / equity.

Our next Team Vicar

We are delighted to announce the appointment of the next Team Vicar of Canton – **the Rev'd Emma Rees-Kenny**.

Rev'd Emma is currently the Vicar of Llansantffraid & Llanfechain in the north Wales Diocese of St Asaph, but is originally from this Diocese. She trained at St Michael's College, Llandaff and was a curate in the Parish of All Saints', Barry from 2011 – 2015. Before training for Ordination, Emma was a Deputy Manager working with children and young people in care. Married to Nick, the Rev'd Emma is currently on maternity leave following the birth of their first child, Edward. They are very excited at the prospect of moving to Canton. We pray for the Rev'd Emma as she prepares for this next phase in her ministry and we look forward very much to welcoming Emma, Nick and their baby son Ned to Canton in the Summer. A licensing service will take place on the 24th July with the Rev'd Emma beginning work here in August.

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

Churchwardens and PCC: The following were elected or appointed at the Annual Vestry Meeting on 25th April 2018 to serve for the year 2018-2019 **Churchwardens** Lynda Banks, Martin Bickel, Beryl Cooke, David Morgan, David Snelson, Hilary Westwood.

Members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) Alfred Appah, David Banks, Emily Blake, Ian Davies, Bev Donaldson, Annie Harding, Linsay Jones, Paul Jones, Gareth Parsons, Sue Parsons, Colin Rossiter, Christine Ward, Sylvia Watkins, Paula Yates.

Ascension Day is this Thursday 10th May. There will be a Eucharist in St John's at 10.30 am and Sung Mass in St Luke's at 7.30 pm.

Benefice Service: on 20th May we will have a Benefice Together Service at St Luke's at 10.30. This will be a chance for us to get together to say farewell and give thanks to Br Dominic and Dylan.

St Catherine's Notes:

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

Advance notice, Summer Fair Saturday 23rd June – Please put this date in your diary now. A fun day for all so please save the date. Great weather guaranteed – maybe.

Spring Concert: The Fountain Choir will celebrate the arrival of Spring at St Catherine's Church on Sunday May 13th at 4.00 pm. Enjoy an afternoon of English and Italian music, followed by folk songs from Eastern Europe and Wales. There will be a storyteller and Lute player too. Free entry and refreshments. (Donations welcome). See the leaflet in church for more information.

Midweek service: Wednesday 11.00 am

St John's Notes:

Ty Bronna: We are collecting cereals throughout May. Please leave in the box in church.

Philippa Haughton writes "I'm having a wonderful and productive time in South Africa. I'm trying to keep a blog updated each week to keep in touch people at home. If you want to know what I'm doing please visit my blog....It's www.philippahaughton.wordpress.com"

Midweek Service: Ascension Day: Thursday 10.30 am

St Luke's Notes:

Christian Aid: Christian Aid Week is next week and envelopes are already in St. Luke's so please take one. Thank you.

Midweek services: Tuesday 10.00 am; **Thurs Ascension Day:** 7.30 pm; Friday 6.00 pm; Saturday 10.30 am

Recently Departed:**Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle**

Sun May 6 th	THE SIXTH OF EASTER: ROGATION SUNDAY Llansantffraid, Bettws & Aberkenfig: Stephen Pare (PinC)	<i>The Anglican Church of Kenya</i>
Mon May 7 th	Llanharan w Peterston super-Montem Barbara Wood (PinC)	<i>Chicago</i>
Tues May 8 th	Llanilid w Pencoed: Ian Hodges (V)	<i>Chichester</i>
Weds May 9 th	Diocesan Advisory Committee:	<i>Chile</i>
Thurs May 10 th	ASCENSION DAY Glyncorrgw & the Upper Afan Valley w Caerau St. Cynfelyn: Beverley Reaney (PinC)	
Fri May 11 th	Llangynwyd w Maesteg: Geraldine Blyth (V)	<i>Chotanagpur - (North India)</i>
Sat May 12 th	Troedrhiwgarth: Christopher Reaney (V)	<i>Christ the King - (Southern Africa)</i>

Fr Mark's only day off is a Monday. Please respect this and avoid contacting him unless in an emergency. If you need to contact the church on a Monday, please ring Sue on the number below.

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