

NEWSLETTER

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The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

In this season of Epiphany we look for the signs of God among us today. Let us continue to learn to recognise God's presence, and in turn to allow ourselves to become signs of that presence to others, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day

God our creator, who in the beginning commanded the light to shine out of darkness: we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all your people, and reveal the knowledge of your glory in the face of 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 Nehemiah 8:1-3. 5-6. 8-10

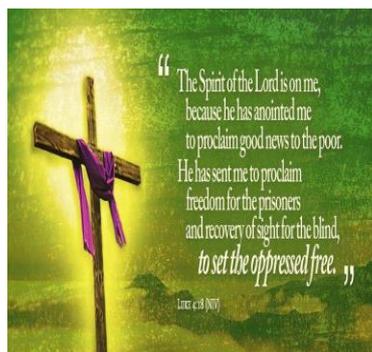
As Ezra reveals the long-forgotten Law to the people, their dismay at their own failure is turned to joy when he explains that it is a good gift and that God will not only give the Law, but enable them to fulfil it.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

This reading stresses that God gives us the gifts we need in order to fulfil what we are called to do.

Gospel Luke 4:14-21

After Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah in the synagogue the atmosphere is electric as he tells his listeners, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."



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

Today's Hymns: 86, 265, 48, 437

St John's: 9.00 am Sung Eucharist

Today's Hymns: 17, 404, 364

St Luke's: 10:30 am Sung Mass

Today's Hymns: 573, 221, 205

Psalm response: The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, opening our hearts to him, singing Alleluia, alleluia, Jesus is our King!

Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the / glory • of / God: and the / firma-ment / sheweth • his / handy-work.
- 2 One day speaketh / to an-/other: and one night giveth / knowledge / to an-/other.
- 3 There is neither / speech nor / language: neither are their / voices / heard a-/mong them;
- 4 But their sound is gone out into / all / lands: and their words / into • the / ends • of the / world.
- 5 In them hath he set a tabernacle / for the / sun: which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, * and rejoiceth as a strong / man to / run his / course.
- 6 It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, * and runneth about unto the end of / it a-/gain: and there is nothing / hid • from the / heat there-/of.
- 7 The law of the Lord is perfect, re-/freshing • the / soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, * and giveth / wisdom / unto • the / simple.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and re-/joyce the / heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth / light / unto • the / eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and en-/dureth • for / ever: the judgements of the Lord are true, and / righteous /alto-/gether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, * yea than / much fine / gold: sweeter also than / honey / and the / honeycomb.
- 11 Moreover by them is thy / servant / taught: and in keeping of them / there is / great re-/ward.
- 12 Who can tell how / oft • he of-/fendeth: O cleanse thou me / from my / secret / faults.
- 13 Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins, * lest they get the do-/minion / over me: so shall I be undefiled and / innocent • of / great of-/fence.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart * be acceptable / in thy / sight: O Lord my / strength and / my re-/deemer.

Next week's readings: **Malachi 3: 1-5; Psalm 24: 7-10; Hebrews 2: 14-18; Luke 2: 22-40**

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (Sundays): there will be one 8.00 am Eucharist each month during this interregnum. This will take place at St Catherine's on the 4th Sunday of each month only.

Fr Mark writes: It's impossible to find words to adequately describe the way we all felt on my last Sunday. It was a very special day for me, my family and everyone else present. There were just on 200 people present in Church and around 130 were able to be accommodated (just!! 😊) for lunch. We are hugely grateful to everyone who contributed to the smooth running of the day: all who ensured that the service was so moving and of course the 'kitchen crew' and all who helped them organize and produce such a lavish and delicious lunch. Thank you very much indeed to everyone who contributed to the leaving gift. The tangible gift on the day (a set of musical tuning forks) is something that will help me in the Cathedral day-to-day and the very generous remainder of the gift will be spent on something that will constantly remind us of the kindness of all those who have been part of life in Canton over so many years.

Fr Mark's installation as Canon Precentor will take place on Sunday 10th February at 3.30 pm in Llandaff Cathedral.

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St Catherine's Notes:

Hall Bookings: Please note a change of email contact for booking St Catherine's Hall. Bev can be contacted on hall.stcatherines@beneficeofcanton.org.uk

Parish treasurer – we have appointed David White as our church treasurer. Many thanks to David for agreeing to take on this role.

Midweek service: Holy Eucharist Wednesday 11.00 am

St John's Notes:

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

Midweek Service: Holy Eucharist Thursday 10.30 am

St Luke's Notes:

There will be no Saturday Mass in St Luke's during the interregnum.

Midweek Masses: Said Mass Tuesday 10.00am; Friday 6.00 pm

Recently departed: Edna Furzer

Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun Jan 27 th	THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY Dyffryn: Stephen Bodycombe (V)	<i>The Episcopal Church in Brazil</i>
Mon Jan 28 th	Skewen: Chris Coles (PinC)	<i>Long Island; Swansea and Brecon</i>
Tues Jan 29 th	Vale of Neath: Andrew Davies (V)	<i>Los Angeles (The Episcopal Church); Swaziland (Southern Africa)</i>
Weds Jan 30 th	Care of Church Department:	<i>Louisiana (The Episcopal Church ; Sydney (Australia); Tabora (Tanzania)</i>
Thurs Jan 31 st	Llansawel, Briton Ferry: To be appointed	<i>Luapula (Central Africa); Taita-Taveta (Kenya)</i>
Fri Feb 1 st	Rectorial Benefice of Neath: Lynda Newman (R),	<i>Lucknow North India; Guatemala (Central America)</i>
Sat Feb 2 nd	<u>DEANERY OF VALE OF GLAMORGAN:Area Dean:</u> Canon Martyn Davies	<i>Lui (South Sudan); Taiwan; Guildford</i>

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