

NEWSLETTER

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Mothering Sunday

When a mother looks at her newborn child, all her petty preoccupations dissolve in love. Whether we are parents or not, this Mothering Sunday we are asking God to teach us that raw, pure quality of love.



Collect of the Day

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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 Exodus 2:1-10

The extraordinary story of the birth of Moses and how he came to be raised by the daughter of Pharaoh. This ingenious mother secures her child's future.

Second Reading Colossians 3:12-17

As we spiritually dress ourselves, we are to put on compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience, bearing with and forgiving one another.

Gospel John 19:25-27

Even while dying on the cross, Jesus thinks about the needs of others and gives responsibility for his mother to his beloved disciple.

St Catherine's: 8.00 am Holy Eucharist; 10.30 am All Age Eucharist
Today's Hymns: in the Service booklet

St John's: 9.00 am Sung Eucharist
Today's Hymns: 72, 411, 474

St Luke's: 10:30 am Sung Mass with Canon Graham Holcombe
Today's Hymns: on hymn sheet

Psalm response: It is the Lord who builds the house

Gospel Acclamation: Silent, surrendered, calm and still, Open to the word of God. Heart humbled to his will
Offered is the servant of God

There will be no evening service in the Benefice today.

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

Lent Talks: Bishop June will be giving a series of Lent Talks in the Cathedral at 7.00 pm on 15th March and 3.00 pm on Palm Sunday.

Tuesday devotions in Lent: meeting this Tuesday and weekly throughout Lent, from 1:30-2:15 pm in St John's, Dylan will lead a short meditation on the seven last words of Christ from the cross with time for quiet reflection and prayer.

IFamilyCardiff: All are invited to a service of prayer for IFamilyCardiff, to be held on Tues March 20th at St Catwg's Pentyrch. We'll be giving thanks for the progress made in the project to date; praying for strength and perseverance to continue in the tasks ahead; and holding before God the current situation in Syria. Any questions speak to Philippa Haughton, Martin Bickel or Hilary Westwood.

Mothers' Union Monday 19th March 2 pm at St John's Church – Br Dominic will be speaking

Llandaff Diocesan Mothers' Union hold a Quiet Day in the Cathedral on Monday 19th March led by Rev. Hayden England-Simon.

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

Tree Improvement Project: Work on the plane, hornbeam, and cypress trees has been completed. The Yew tree near the porch will have a 25% reduction before Easter. The final phase of the project will take place in October. Thanks to all who continue to support this work.

RSPB Discovery Day: Saturday 5 May. Further details will be announced before Easter. Books and Bric a Brac needed. Please give to Clive: 07931 522683.

Midweek service: Holy Eucharist Wednesday 11.00am

St John's Notes:

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

Lent Lunches: our Lent lunches will be held on Fridays in St John's. Please do try and support this event throughout Lent.

Philippa: Sunday 11th March is Philippa Haughton's last Sunday before she goes to South Africa to work with Tearfund. Please stick around after the service to share some cake - she'll be back on 10th June.

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 or Margaret Charles. Many thanks

Stations of the Cross: during the season of Lent we walk the Stations of the Cross in place of the Friday evening Mass at St Luke's at 6.00pm. This is an opportunity to join with Christ on his final journey and to reflect on our own journey with Him.

Midweek services: Said Mass Tuesday 10.00 am; Friday 6.00 pm Stations of the Cross; Said Mass Saturday 10.30am.

Recently Departed:

Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun Mar 11 th	MOTHERING SUNDAY Llantwit Fardre: Philip Gullidge (V)	<i>The Church of England</i>
Mon Mar 12 th	DEANERY OF RHONDDA: Area Dean: Haydn England-Simon	<i>Bolivia - (South America)</i>
Tues Mar 13 th	The Parish of Dinas & Penygraig:	<i>Bondo - (Kenya)</i>
Weds Mar 14 th	Department for Youth. Matthew Gibbon (Acting Chaplain)	<i>Bor - Upper Nile</i>
Thurs Mar 15 th	Rhondda Fawr Ministry Area: Haydn England-Simon SSC (V)	<i>Botswana</i>
Fri Mar 16 th	Parish of Porth Newydd: Jeffrey Thomas (PinC)	<i>Brandon - (Rupert's Land, Canada)</i>
Sat Mar 17 th	Patrick (5 th century), Bishop & Patron Saint of Ireland. Parish of Pontrhonda: Peter Gale (V)	<i>Brazil</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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