

NEWSLETTER

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Trinity Sunday

In our Eucharist let us open our hearts afresh to God's Spirit. As we take in gifts of bread and wine, may the gift of Jesus' Spirit bring us to new birth. As we pray for the world, may our eyes be open to see the weave of the maker.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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 6:1-8

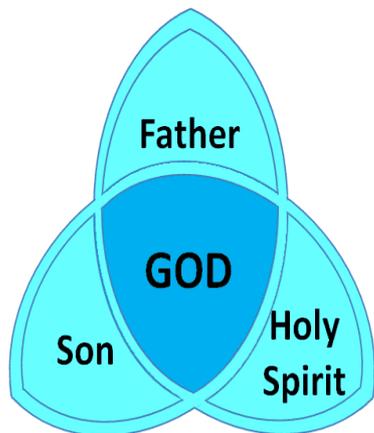
Isaiah's first courageous act was believing that he really saw the Lord; his second act was responding to the commission. From there he would never look back.

Second Reading Romans 8:12-17

The life of faith is not for the faint-hearted. Paul warns against falling back into fear. The antidote is summoning the boldness to believe: "Abba! Father!"

Gospel John 3:1-17

Head knowledge takes us a long way, but faith is mandatory for understanding heavenly things. The fullness of Jesus' divine nature can only be received by faith, yet the Trinity makes rational sense of the interrelatedness of all creation.



St Catherine's: 8.00 am Holy Eucharist with Fr Keith Kimber; 10.30 Choral Eucharist; 12.30 pm Baptism

Today's Hymns: 37, 684, 625, 286

St John's: 9.00 am Sung Eucharist

Today's Hymns: 684, 167, 286

St Luke's: 10:30 am Sung Mass with Canon Wilcox

Today's Hymns: 286, 684, 1, 695

Psalm response: The Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to the Father, Glory to the Son, Glory to the Spirit, God the three in One

There will be no evening service in the Benefice today.

Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe unto the Lord O ye / hosts of / heaven: ascribe unto the / Lord / glory • and / strength.
- 2 Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due / unto • his / name: worship the / Lord in / raiment • of / holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is up-/on the / waters: it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder, * even the Lord up-/on the / great / waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in / oper-/ation: the voice of the / Lord • is a / glorious / voice.
- 5 The voice of the Lord / breaketh • the / cedar-trees: yea the Lord / breaketh • the / cedars • of / Lebanon.
- 6 He maketh them also to / skip • like a / calf: Lebanon also and / Siri-on / like young / oxen.
- 7 The voice of the Lord di-/videth • the / lightning: the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness, * yea the Lord / shaketh • the / wilderness • of / Kadesh.

8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to be in travail, * and the goats to bring forth be-/ fore their / time: in his / temple • do / all cry / 'Glory.'

9 The Lord sitteth a-/bove the / water-flood: the Lord / sitteth • as / King for / ever.

10 The Lord shall give strength / unto • his / people: the Lord shall give his / people • the / blessing • of / peace.

Our next Team Vicar

We look forward very much to welcoming Rev'd 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

PCC: the PCC will meet on Sunday 17th June at 6.30 pm in St John's Church. Please make every effort to attend or send your apologies to Sue.

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.

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.

Sunday School dates: 20th May - Sunday School; 27th May - School Holidays - No Sunday School; 3rd June - School Holidays - No Sunday School; 10th June - Messy Church - No Sunday School; 17th June - Sunday School

24th June - Sunday School; 1st July - Sunday School; 8th July - Messy Church - No Sunday School; 15th July - Sunday School

22nd July - 2nd Sept - School Holidays no Sunday School

Midweek Service: Thursday 10.30 am

St Luke's Notes:

Midweek services: Tuesday 10.00 am; Friday 6.00 pm; Saturday 10.30 am

Recently Departed: Sylvia Evans

Diocesan and Anglican Prayer Cycle

Sun May 27 th	TRINITY SUNDAY Cadoxton-juxta-Neath: Andrew Meredith (PinC)	<i>The Anglican Church of Korea</i>
Mon May 28 th	Dyffryn: Stephen Bodycombe (V)	<i>Cuttack - (North India)</i>
Tues May 29 th	Skewen: Chris Coles (PinC)	<i>Cyangugu - (Rwanda)</i>
Weds May 30 th	Diocesan Director of Ordinands: Dr. Trystan Hughes.	<i>Cyprus and the Gulf</i>
Thurs May 31 st	Thanksgiving for the Holy Communion (Corpus Christi) Vale of Neath: Andrew Davies (V)	<i>Daejeon - (Korea)</i>
Fri June 1 st	Llansawel, Briton Ferry (St. Mary) Vacant	<i>Dallas - (VII, The Episcopal Church)</i>
Sat June 2 nd	Rectorial Benefice of Neath: Lynda Newman (TV)	<i>Damaturu - (Jos, Nigeria)</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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