The Rectorial Benefice of Cowbridge.

Serving the communities of Aberthin, Cowbridge, Flemingston, Holy Cross, Llanblethian, Llandough, Llanfrynach, Llangan, Llansannor, Penllyn, St. Hilary, St. Mary Church, St Mary Hill & Ystradowen.



THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

SUNDAY 26Th January 2020

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THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.**

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 9. 1-4

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the

nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Psalm 27, 1.5-13

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom then shall I fear.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid? **R**

(R. The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom then shall I fear.)

One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. **R**

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock. **R**

Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me. Therefore I will offer in his dwelling place an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord. **R**

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me. You speak to my heart and say 'Seek my face'. Your face, Lord, will I seek. **R**

Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in your displeasure. You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

R

THE SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1.10-18

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul,' or 'I belong to Apollos,' or 'I belong to Cephas,' or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else. For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

This is the word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 4, 12-23

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations and believed in throughout the world.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Listen to the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew Glory to you O Lord.

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and

Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Iesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Those baptised in the Name of the Trinity are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER.

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.

Please Pray for

- In the Anglican Communion: we pray for the Primate of Brazil and Bishop of Curitiba the Most Revd Naudal Alves Gomes.
- In the diocese we pray for the Deanery of the Vale of Glamorgan and the Area dean Canon Martyn Davies and the Reader Penny Snowden.
- We pray for all those who are sick and housebound in our Parish and for all those who receive Holy Communion at home.
- We pray for all who are sick, particularly Muriel Maslin, Dawn Conrad, Maureen Dixon, Charlotte Carpenter, Christine Williams, Christopher Browner, Phillip Rosser, Helen Saunders, William Watkins, Sam Baxter, Tony Arnold, Pat Arnold, Doreen Stafford, Dave German, Di Roberts, Barbara Easterbrook, Ellie Harris and Grayson Finn.

If you, or anyone you know of, is sick or housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion or be visited then please let the Parish Office or one of the Clergy know as soon as possible.

- We pray for those who have recently departed this life, among them: Robert Newman, Roger George Cutler, Thomas Rees Roberts, Stanley John Richardson, George Henry Haynes, Sue Bryce, Muriel Coggins, Canon Graham Francis and Royden Price.
- We pray for those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Carol Makepeace, Kathleen Crosse-Kelly, Stan Dale, Florence Davies, Owen Powell, Douglas Turner, Stephen Collett, Walter Edwards, June Owen, Joan Sherwood, Olive Lewis and Nancy David.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Notices

- Thursday 30th January 5.30 Llandaff Cathedral: our Benefice is invited to attend choral evensong as it will be our turn on the Diocesan cycle of prayer. Everyone welcome.
- There will be an **Organ Concert by Geoff Howells** on Tuesday **11th February at 2.30pm** in **Llanblethian Church**. The programme includes Bach's great Prelude and Fugue in E minor, a couple of short Bach pieces and some modern pieces by Kenneth Leighton and Andrew Keeling. All welcome. The concert is free of charge but a voluntary contribution is always welcome. Tea and biscuits will be served during the interval.
- The next **Welsh language service** is at Llanblethian on the **2nd Feb at 6.00 pm**. Details of services throughout 2020 are available from the parish website (news section).

St. Mary Church Coffee Morning third Friday in each month at the Church from 10.30am. All Welcome. (21st February at the church).

Ystradowen Church Social 3rd Wednesday each month, venues vary so for more info contact Sue Squire 775556

Parish Prayer Breakfast: The next monthly prayer breakfast will be on the first Saturday in the month (1st February 2020) at 8.00am in the Taynton Room, Holy Cross.

Llanblethian Church Hall

The Hall is available for Private and Social Functions as well as for children's Parties up to ten years old. Enquiries with nickbroekstra@hotmail.com or on 01446 772843 or 07768164392.

DIARY

Monday 27th January 2020

John Chrysostom (407), Bishop and

Doctor.

Thursday 30th January

Feria

10.00 Craft Group at Taynton Room

19.45 Home Group at Eastfield

House

16.00 Team Meeting at Parish Office

Tuesday 28th January 2020

Thomas Aquinas(1274), Doctor

14.00 Hand Bells at the

Taynton Room

Friday 31st January

Feria

Wednesday 29th January

Feria

10.00 Eucharist at Llanblethian Common Worship page 283

R Your love, O God, is established

for ever..

10.00 The Eucharist at Holy Cross

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R Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

14.00 Funeral of Roy Price at St

Hilary Church

10.30 Funeral of John Barrett at

Coychurch Crematorium.

19.00 Cowbridge Male Voice Choir Rehearsal at Holy Cross

Saturday 1st February

Bridget (6th century), Abbess

All of the Churches in our Parish are open daily for private prayer and devotion.

WEEKDAY WORSHIP

The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated in St. John's Church, Llanblethian at **10.00am on Wednesdays** (followed by a coffee morning).



The **Holy Eucharist** is celebrated in Holy Cross Parish Church at **10.00am on Fridays** (followed by a coffee morning).

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SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY 2020 THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

8.00	Eucharist at Holy Cross	President	Rev'd Ian Thomas	
9.15	Eucharist at Llanblethian	President	Rev'd Dr Stephen Adams	
9.15	Eucharist at Llandough	President	Rev'd Ian Thomas	
9.15	Morning Prayer at St. Mary Church	Officiant	Mr Ian Yemm	
9.15	Eucharist at Llansannor	President	Canon Roy Doxsey	
11.00	Eucharist at Penllyn	President	Canon Roy Doxsey	
11.00	Eucharist at Holy Cross	President	Rev'd Dr Stephen Adams	
11.00	Eucharist at Ystradowen	President	Rev'd Ian Thomas	
11.00	Eucharist at St Hilary	President	Rev'd Dr Peter Sedgwick	
11.15	Morning Worship at Llangan	Officiant	Mrs. Glenda Oglesbee	
18.00 Prayer & Praise at Southways				
18.30	Eucharist at Flemingston	President	Rev'd Dr Stephen Adams	

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2020 CANDLEMAS

8.00 Eucharist at Holy Cross	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
9.15 Eucharist at Llanblethian	President	Rev'd Ian Thomas
9.15 Eucharist at Llandough	President	Rev'd David Boult
9.15 Eucharist at St Mary Church	President	Rev'd Dr Stephen Adams
9.15 Eucharist at Penllyn	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
11.00 Eucharist at Llansannor	President	Canon Peter Coleman
11.00 Morning Worship at Holy Cross	Officiant	Mr Howard Perks
11.00 Eucharist at Ystradowen	President	Rev'd Dr Stephen Adams
11.00 Eucharist at St Hilary	President	Rev'd Victoria Ashley
11.15 Eucharist at St Mary Hill	President	Rev'd David Boult
18.00 Y Cymun Bendigaid	President	Rev'd Dr Stephen Adams
18.30 Evening Prayer at Flemingston	Officiant	Mrs Glenda Oglesbee

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