

The Parish of Pentyrch  
and Capel Llanilltern

Welcome

December 9<sup>th</sup>

**Advent 2**

**St David's**

9.30am Holy Eucharist

Hymns: 513, 93, 172, 59

**St Ellteyrn's**

10.30am Holy Eucharist

**St Catwg's**

11.00am Holy Eucharist

Hymns: 93, 247, 59, 513, 64

We omit the *Gloria* during Advent

*Anyone baptised in the Name of the Trinity is welcome to receive Communion in this church. When you approach to receive, hold out your hands and you will be given the sacrament, If you would like a blessing instead, please keep your head lowered at the rail. Children will be offered the host (bread) alone unless their parent or guardian indicates otherwise.*

Please use gift aid envelopes if you are a UK taxpayer

In our Parish we pray for Parc-y-Felin, Creigiau, from the electoral role for Rhoda Deakin and for the Lay Eucharistic Ministers at St David's. In our Diocese we pray for the Parish of Fairwater: Colin Sutton (V). In the wider church we pray for Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury), Falkland Islands (Parish of) - (Canterbury, Falkland Islands), The Rt Revd Timothy Thornton.

**Services for this week:**

**Tuesday** 11<sup>th</sup> December

10.00am St David's

Park Lane, Groes Faen, Katie Denley, the Churchwardens at St Ellteyrn's. Llandaff: Very Rev'd. Gerwyn Capon, Dean & Incumbent, Canon Graham Holcombe, Canon Residentiary, Edward Le Brun Powell (C), City of Llandaff (CW) Primary School: Annette James the Head teacher, the staff & pupils. Kisangani - (Congo) The Rt Revd Lambert Funga Botolome, Nord Kivu - (Congo) The Rt Revd Muhindo Isesomo.

Psalm response: **Here is our God coming with power**

**Wednesday** 12<sup>th</sup> December

10.00am St Catwg's

Penfordd, Pentyrch, Janet Dewes, the flower arrangers at St Catwg's.  
The Governing Body and those who represent this diocese.  
Kita Kanto - (Japan) The Rt Revd Zerubbabel Katsuichi Hirota  
Psalm response: **My soul, give thanks to the Lord**

### **Services for next Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> December, Advent 3**

9.30am Holy Eucharist, St David's  
9.30am Holy Eucharist, St Elteyrn's  
11.00am Holy Eucharist, St Catwg's

### **The lighting of the Advent Candles**

Last Sunday we lit the first candle in our Advent Wreath, the candle of hope. We light it again as we remember that Christ will come again to fulfil all of God's promises to us.

*(The first candle of hope is lit)*

The second candle of Advent is the Candle of Peace. It is sometimes called the Bethlehem Candle to remind us of the place in which preparations were made to receive and cradle the Christ child. Peace is a gift that we must be prepared for.

**God gives us the gift of peace when we turn to him in faith.**

The prophet Isaiah calls Christ "the Prince of Peace." Through John the Baptist and all the other prophets, God asks us to prepare our hearts so that he may come in. Our peace is found in him. We light this candle today to remind us that he brings peace to all who trust in him.

*(The Second Candle the candle of Peace is lit ...we keep a moment of silence and pray that Christ's peace may come to us)*

The Collect for Advent 2

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

A reading from the prophecy of Malachi. (3.1-4)

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in

righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

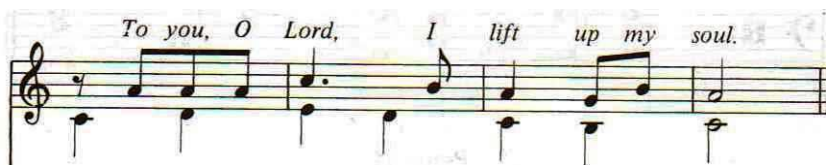
A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians. (1.3-11)

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Congregation remain seated for the psalm 25*



1 Show me your | ways, O Lord,  
And teach | me your paths.  
Lead me forth | in your truth,  
For you are | God my Saviour. R

2 Good and righteous | is the Lord,  
He brings back | those who stray,  
He guides the meek | in his ways,  
And shows his paths | to the lowly. R

3 All his ways are mer | cy and truth,  
For those who are faithful | to his word.  
To those who love him, he re | veals his mind,  
And shows them | all his will. R

*At the Gospel all stand and face the Gospel Book*

*Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke. (3.1-6)*

**Glory to Christ our Saviour**

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius

Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to Christ our Lord.**

## **PARISH NOTICES**

### **Cardiff Churches night shelter**

*'I was a stranger, and you welcomed me' Matt 25;35*

If you think you might be able to be part of a team from our Parish to help with this important work, please come to St German's Church, Cardiff on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm for an information/ training evening. Please contact Michael if you would like further details

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### **Plant Catwg Kids**

Parent/guardian & baby/toddler group  
9.30-11am Mondays  
at St Catwg's Church

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### **Wateraid Loose change collection (Sunday Club)**

Please use the bottles at the rear of St Catwg's to contribute

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### **Coffee morning and fellowship time at St Catwg's**

every Wednesday, 10.30am -12.00 noon

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Please be sure to invite your friends and neighbours to join in worship over the Christmas season

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Benefice website address – [www.parihofpentyrch.org.uk](http://www.parihofpentyrch.org.uk)

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