

# Radyr Parish News

Autumn 2017

Christ Church, Radyr

St John's Church, Danescourt



# The Parish of Radyr

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## Sunday and mid-week services

### Christ Church, Radyr

Sunday	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	11.00am	Sung Eucharist and Sunday School
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (1 <sup>st</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays) Holy Eucharist (4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday) Café Church at St John's (5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday)
Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Eucharist

### St John the Baptist, Danescourt

Sunday	9.15am	Holy Eucharist and Sunday School
	6.00pm	Café Church (5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month)
Thursday	11.00am	Holy Eucharist

*Arrangements may be made with the Rector for baptisms, weddings and the publication of banns of marriage.*

# The Rector writes:

My dear friends

Autumn always feel like an ending - summer's over, plants and trees are dying back. In the Church's year we enter the season of remembering: All Saints, All Souls, Remembrance Sunday. And yet this is looking forwards, not back, because it is celebrated in the context of the Christian hope.

Similarly, this magazine is looking forward, to events we are planning here in the parish, and in the wider life of the deanery and province. We are part of something so much bigger. That's true of our life as a church; our context is ultimately the world-wide Anglican Communion. And true of our journey through this life - our context is God's plan, which encompasses all people and all time.

With every blessing

**Jenny Wigley**

## **Giving to our Church**

In the last edition of this magazine, and through leaflets and an address from the pulpit, we appealed for everyone to review their giving to the parish so that we can plan our finances to support mission and ministry here.

The fixed items are energy and insurance costs for our buildings and the contribution we make towards clergy training, stipends and pensions and the diocesan staff- our 'Parish Share'- that alone amounts to £9 per worshipper per week!

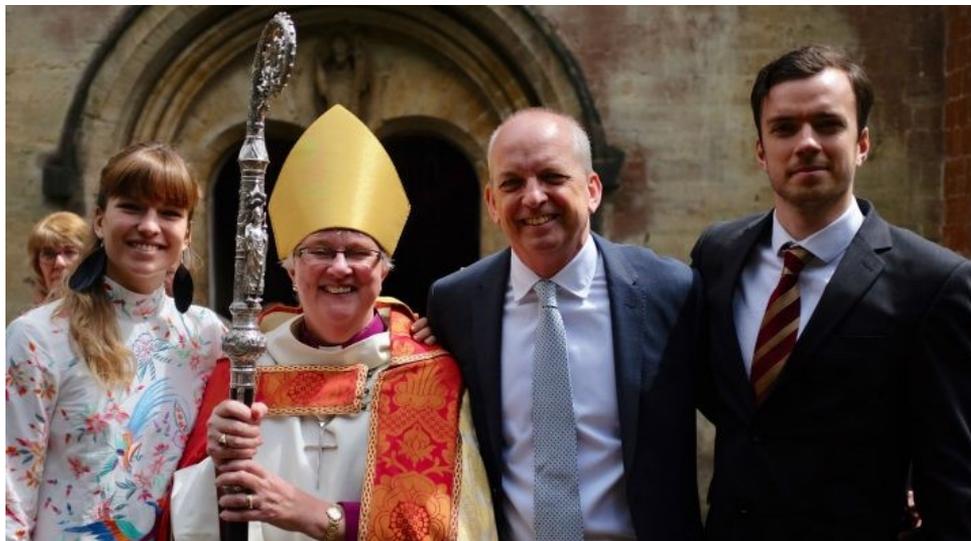
**A big thank you to all of you who undertook to review your giving.**

Though there has not been an across-the-board increase in our income through planned giving, a number of people have transferred to the Church in Wales Direct Debit scheme, which enables us to budget more easily.

If you would like to give this more thought, leaflets are available in the pews/at the back of church.

**Please remember - you really can make a difference**

## A historic day for Llandaff: the enthronement of Bishop June



Bishop June with her husband Paul, daughter Meg and son Tom.

*Photo courtesy of Huw Ryden, Exeter Diocese*

I was very fortunate to be amongst the congregation on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July when Bishop June Osborne, the 72<sup>nd</sup> Bishop of Llandaff, was enthroned in Llandaff Cathedral. She is the Diocese's first woman Bishop and the second woman Bishop in Wales. Bishop June was previously Dean of Salisbury for 13 years, where she became the first female Dean of a medieval Cathedral.

On my way up the High Street that morning, I saw lots of people enjoying a welcome coffee before the service, some of whom had made an early start from Salisbury, London and Birmingham. I talked to one lady who had driven from Birmingham and knew Bishop June from her time as a curate there.

The atmosphere in the Cathedral was full of excitement with lots of people greeting each other. The organ music before the service was beautiful and included a prelude on 'Bryn Calfaria' by Ralph Vaughan Williams.

At last the eagerly anticipated processions arrived, entering the nave from the David Chapel first and then the West Door of the Cathedral. It was wonderful to see visiting Bishops, ecumenical guests and representatives from other faiths along with our own clergy (including our own Rector) process down the main aisle of the nave. The congregation then sang 'Praise my Soul the King of Heaven' as the gathering hymn.

Before the service began and as part of an ancient tradition, Bishop June had to request permission to enter the cathedral by knocking three times with her staff on the West Door. She was then welcomed inside by the Dean of Llandaff, Gerwyn Capon. Her mandate to serve as Bishop of Llandaff was read out and Bishop June took her oath on the cathedral bible.

During the service, Bishop June was anointed with the oil of chrism by Bishop Katherine Katharine Jefferts Schori who was former Presiding Bishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church of the United States. Bishop June was then vested with her cope and mitre and presented with the diocesan staff, the symbol of her authority in the diocese, before being installed in her seat in the cathedral, the Episcopal Throne. She was welcomed with applause by the congregation and greeted the cathedral Chapter and Area Deans along with clergy, civic dignitaries and faith leaders.

During her sermon, Bishop June told us that she believed truly, madly and deeply in pastoral ministry within a local context. A public faith, she reminded us, will always be a vulnerable place to be, but with vulnerability we will rebuild trust in the church and in the faith it proclaims.

The service concluded with prayers and the Recessional Hymn 'God is love, let heav'n adore him' to the tune 'Blaenwern'. We all then turned to face the West Door and Bishop June blessed the city, homes and people of the diocese and the parishes and churches. Bishop June then greeted everyone as they left the Cathedral. A historic day in the life of our Diocese and one I was proud to be part of.

**Cheryl Evans**

## Our new Archbishop



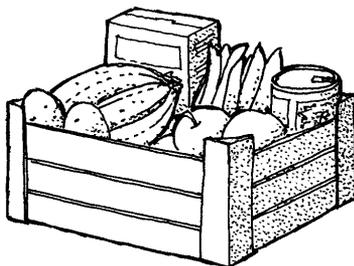
The new Archbishop of Wales was elected on 6<sup>th</sup> September at the Electoral College meeting at Holy Trinity Church, Llandrindod Wells. He is John Davies, who has served as the Bishop of Swansea and Brecon for the past nine years. He will be the 13<sup>th</sup> Archbishop of Wales, succeeding Dr Barry Morgan who retired in January.

His election is also historic as this is the first time that a Bishop of the Diocese of Swansea and Brecon has been elected as Archbishop of Wales. He will remain as Bishop of Swansea and Brecon just as Archbishop Barry remained as Bishop of Llandaff.

Archbishop John was born in Newport. He studied law at the university of Southampton, and then worked as a solicitor. Archbishop John left the law to enter the ministry and was ordained in 1984. He served in a number of roles in the Diocese of Monmouth until he was appointed Dean of Brecon in 2000.

Having been the 'lead Bishop' for Church and Society issues, Archbishop John is profoundly interested in matters of social justice and has spoken out on a range of issues, including homelessness and housing, rural problems, organ donation, assisted dying and poverty.

He also enjoys a wide variety of music, watching sport - especially cricket and rugby - playing golf very occasionally, cooking and walking. He is married to Jo, an emergency nurse practitioner, and they have two grown-up children.



# Christ Church Sunday School

The following children were presented with books for their excellent attendance over the year: **Crèche** Alice, Ffion J and Ioan. **Class One** Cari, Evan D, Gwen and Matthew. **Class Two** Bronwen, Emily, Evan W, Nia and Sophia. **Class Three** Anna, Angharad, Bethan, Catrin, Emma, Emily Mai, Gwilym and Joe. **Overall Best Attender:** Emily (35 weeks).



As the last Sunday of the Summer term was wet once again, the picnic was held indoors. This didn't spoil our fun, the food was wonderful, the weather improved and the children were able to play

outdoors before going home. Bethan and Evan certainly enjoyed themselves:

*'At the end of each school year we have a Family Picnic to celebrate the end of the year and all of the fun things we have done in Sunday School. This year we helped our Mum to make some cakes for the picnic and bought some sausage rolls. The weather was a bit wet, so we ate indoors but this didn't spoil our fun. We still ate lots of goodies with all of our friends! After lunch the weather was quite sunny so we played outside on the grass. We also went on a bug hunt. We had little plastic pots to collect bugs in. The pots have a magnifying lid so the bugs look really big! We caught a spider and a wood louse, but we didn't put them in the pot together. We had a great time and we are looking forward to seeing all of our Sunday School friends in September.'*

We are now looking forward to a busy Autumn term. The children are learning a new Harvest song and will help to lead worship at the 11am Harvest service. We'll enjoy all the fun at 'Get Ready for Christmas' and we'll also be busy filling shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. The children will be singing at the Nine Lessons and Carols and leading worship at the Crib Service on Christmas Eve.

We'd love you to come along and join in the fun learning about how much Jesus loves us. We meet every Sunday in term time at 11am for an hour. Ages 5 - 11 (a crèche is available for pre-school children).

**Julie Davies**  
Sunday School Co-ordinator 2084 2923

## Sunday Evenings

For most of you, attending a service in the parish will mean coming in the morning - at 8, or 9:15 or 11am. But every Sunday there is also a 6pm service - and sadly, that's tended to feel like one of our best-kept secrets!

Most Sundays, it's a simple traditional Evensong, a said service with a sermon, held in Christ Church Lady Chapel. On the fourth Sunday it's a communion, and when there are five Sundays in the month, we move to St John's for Café Church. For special occasions—the next is Harvest—the choir will lead us in Sung Evensong. Over the summer, we held all our 6pm services in St John's, encouraging people from our various congregations to worship together. It was so successful that we intend to repeat it next year, through June as well as July and August.

From October, we intend to weave another thread into this rich pattern on the third Sunday of each month. We will use the outline of Evening Prayer from the new Church in Wales prayer book, led in turn by members of our worship team. There will be the set readings for the day, but instead of a sermon there will be a variety of reflections, perhaps based on the bible reading, or thoughts shared about a picture, or a few moments listening to a piece of music, or prayers over the week's news.

Why not come along for a gentle meditative half hour in the Lady Chapel, starting Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October? Here's a taste - one of the lovely contemporary prayers we'll use each time:

*Creator of the universe, watch over us  
and keep us in the light of your presence.*

*Let our praise continually blend with that of all creation,  
and bring us, with all for whom we pray,  
to the eternal joys which you promise in your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.*

*Amen.*

## St John's Sunday School

It was a wild and windy day when the new Sunday School term started. Despite this the children, including two newcomers, made it to our lesson. They were ready to start again after some interesting summer holidays. We are also very pleased to welcome a new teacher to Sunday School. Richard has joined us and we hope he enjoys being part of our team.



During the summer holidays we shared a lovely service with Ella Rose and her family when her baby sister Jessica was baptised. Ella Rose read a poem for Jessica which she had written herself. It was really nice to be part of this special service.

In some of our lessons this term we are thinking about the gifts that God gives us. In the first lesson we looked at food, particularly bread. We learned about God giving food to the Israelites when they were wandering in the desert. They had been starving and were quick to thank God for the food. On October 1<sup>st</sup> it is Harvest Festival, a time when, as a Church, we thank God for all of the food He gives us. We also remember people who are not so lucky and who can't take their daily bread for granted. Harvest is a chance for us to share our good fortune with them and our Harvest gifts go to Cardiff Food Bank.

Later in this term we will of course be getting ready for Christmas and this year St John's Sunday School will be decorating a tree for the Christmas Tree Festival in Christ Church in December. This will be great fun and will help to get us all in the mood for Christmas.

There is plenty to look forward to this term. If you would like to join us we meet in St John's Church Hall at 9.15am on Sunday mornings. We would love to see you.

**Anne Jones** 2055 4749

# 1FamilyCardiff

## an update on how our Deanery is resettling a Syrian refugee family

Over the last three months, the 1FamilyCardiff team, with the help of Citizens Cymru Wales (the lead sponsor), has been very busy progressing the activities needed to hit the fundraising target of £9000 - the bond needed for the family.

I'm pleased to say that, if all pledges are honoured from around the Deanery, the target will be met. But it's not going to stop there. £9000 is only enough for the bond for two adults. If there should be three - a grandmother for example - then we will need another £4500. But no matter what the size of the family, they will have other costs and needs before they can begin to stand on their own two feet, and that's why we need to continue fundraising. If we are really successful, who knows, we may be able to support a second family.

Radyr Parish's Songs of Praise event was, thanks to all those who attended and supported it, a great success, not only in terms of fundraising (amazingly, over £1,900) but also as an act of worship and (afterwards) a social gathering. Thanks in particular to the choir and to Ian for researching the background to the hymns too. There were requests for 'more' so maybe it's something we can consider for next year too, but choosing another perfect summer's evening may be a challenge!

A few weeks after our Songs of Praise, Sara and I attended a wonderful afternoon tea at St Catwg's, Pentyrch. We were delighted to find that this was a 'proper' afternoon tea similar to that you would enjoy at a top-class hotel. Both savoury and sweet delicacies were served on three-tier cake stands and tea served in bone china cups & saucers. The team at Pentyrch were able to take advantage of their re-ordered, pew-less church and turn it into a 'Betty's' (or Pettigrew's) style tea-room for the afternoon. There was friendly table service and more than enough food to go around. The result of all this merriment - and the inevitable raffle - was an excellent £820.

Our parish's next fundraising event for Syria will be the Christmas Tree Festival to be held at Christ Church between Friday 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. I'm delighted to see that 22 acceptances to participate in the festival have been received from organisations across the parish. Each of them will decorate a 3' tree to illustrate the work of their organisation.

But the fundraising is only part of Step Two of Linda's plan. The other elements that needed to be achieved by the end of August were assessing suitable accommodation, drafting a Safeguarding plan, and gaining Local Authority Consent. Linda James attended a meeting with Cllr Susan Elsmore, Cabinet Member for Social Care, Health and Wellbeing, to provide an update on community sponsorship and how 1FamilyCardiff is planning to welcome a refugee family. The meeting went well and Cllr Elsmore has a positive outlook on providing local authority consent for community sponsorship. However, the meeting emphasised for Linda the importance of having a robust resettlement plan.

So the main task for September is the resettlement plan, and for that the team will need to source a range of specialist skills including: a translator; benefits/employment/housing advice; personalised needs assessment; school registration; healthcare support; IT support for digital literacy and support for cultural needs.

At first this might seem a daunting list, but much smaller communities than ourselves have achieved it. For example, in Fishguard (one of the first to do this) they discovered that they had three Arabic speakers, all of whom were willing to help as translators. So if you can help, or you know someone who may be able to do so, please get in touch with Linda, Sara, Jenny or myself.

As part of the resettlement plan, the core team will be doing the following prior to the arrival of the family: receiving training in Syrian culture; collating an information pack to send to the family about the local area; furnishing the house and making it welcoming; creating a welcome hamper with food and groceries; setting up work experience/employment opportunities within the community, as appropriate.

Again, if you feel you can offer support, advice (even in a very small way) or just to find out a bit more, please get in touch. Our email address is **refugee\_family@outlook.com** We can be found on Twitter @1FamilyCardiff, and on Facebook - search for 1FamilyCardiff.

The Facebook page has links to Guardian and BBC Radio Wales articles on how the community in Narberth, Pembrokeshire, has successfully resettled a Syrian family. It's an interesting read.

**John Kiff**  
07710 172685

## Face to face *with Ann and Malcolm May*



Ann was born in Edinburgh of Scottish ancestry whilst Malcolm is Cardiff born and bred. Ann spent her early years abroad but was brought up in Cheltenham from the age of 10. She trained as a home economist working in different industry jobs before joining Wales Gas in Cardiff in the mid-1970s, where she met Malcolm. They were married in 1978, settled in Danescourt and have two daughters Alison and Jacqui who attended Danescourt School.

When the girls were little, Ann found a warm welcome at St John's Mother and Toddler Group, which met in the church - pews not withstanding! - although at the time the family worshipped at St Andrew's United Reformed Church in Wellfield Road. Later the whole family moved to worship at St John's and enjoyed the benefits and camaraderie of the local Danescourt community.

Ann later retrained as a teacher in Further Education and worked in outreach for the Friary Adult Education Centre, helping long-term unemployed clients back into the work place. She then took up a full-time position as a Lecturer at Coleg Glan Hafren (now Cardiff and The Vale College) where she specialised in Hospitality and Catering.

Malcolm, having graduated from the University of Wales Cardiff, worked in the Corporate and Marketing departments of British Gas for over 25 years before changing first to the car industry, where he worked in Sales, Marketing and Administration for the Ryland Motor Group, and finally to employment at the Opportunity Housing Trust in Cardiff. Malcolm's main passion has always been sport and he is a keen cricket and hockey fan. He is a Life Member and former Captain, Chairman and President of Whitchurch Hockey Club and gained 25 caps for the Senior Wales International team.

Malcolm and Ann have enjoyed being a part of the church and in particular have celebrated several special family occasions in both St John's and Christ Church: Alison and Richard's wedding, Jacqui and Jonny's wedding, Isla and Sebastian's christenings and the double christening of Sophia and Toby, the youngest grandchildren.

Alison, Richard, Isla and Toby live in Radyr and Isla is a regular at St John's Sunday School, which she loves! Jacqui, Jonny, Sebastian and Sophia live in Reading. With four grandchildren aged between three and five, the May household can be a very busy place when they all get together (as they frequently do!).

In recent years both Ann and Malcolm have taken on roles in the parish and feel enriched by the experience. Malcolm is in his third year as subwarden at St John's, takes the minutes for the Building Committee and co-ordinates distribution of the Parish News and leaflets at Danescourt. Ann is a Reader and a member of St John's Flower Rota and derives particular pleasure helping co-ordinate the floral displays for special occasions and for the Easter, Harvest and Christmas festivals.

Both Ann and Malcolm love getting involved in the many activities and initiatives in the parish and above all value the interest and fellowship of the church family.

When Malcolm and Ann retired they were able to take up new hobbies, in Malcolm's case golf and for Ann flower-arranging. They both love travelling, gardening and going to the theatre. A particular joy has been re-connecting with former Mother and Toddler friends who are now enjoying their grandchildren. Life goes around full circle!

# Cardiff Foodbank



We've been supporting Cardiff Foodbank since 2010, through week by week donations and especially at Harvest. Last year we donated over 1000kg of food from this parish! So now seems like a good time to remind ourselves exactly what they do, and the new directions in which their work is developing.

Cardiff Foodbank is part of The Trussell Trust's network of 428 foodbanks, working to tackle food poverty and hunger in our local communities and across the UK. The

Foodbank Network was founded in 2004 after four years of developing the original foodbank based in Salisbury. Since then, The Trussell Trust has helped communities work together to launch foodbanks nationwide in a wide range of towns and cities.

In 2016/17, The Trussell Trust's Foodbank Network provided 1,182,954 three-day emergency food supplies and support to UK people in crisis. Of these, over 430,000 went to children. The network aims to see more people helped out of crisis and fewer people needing foodbanks in the future. That's why they are working as community hubs providing people in need with emergency food and a range of support in one location.

Cardiff Foodbank works to distribute food to people in Cardiff who are facing a financial crisis, and provides short term, emergency food to individuals and families in crisis. Food parcels include cereal, milk, fruit juice, soup, pasta, meat, fish, vegetables and pudding, providing balanced and nutritional meals for a minimum of three days. The quantity of food given is dependent upon the number of adults and children in the family.

Clients are consulted on their basic dietary requirements eg vegetarian, gluten free, baby food etc. Outside of these requirements, parcels are prepared according to nutritional recommendations from The Trussell Trust in consultation with dieticians. Fresh bread and pastries are made possible by donations from Greggs the Bakers and are available when supplies allow.

There are six centres around Cardiff open for two hours once or twice a week. Clients are welcomed with a cup of tea and offered access to

additional services. The type of additional help offered varies as the Foodbank is reliant on the assistance of other organisations and currently receives no extra funding towards these. They include:

**Signposting assistance** This is provided by volunteers and available at all centres. The purpose of signposting is to assist people in receiving support to deal with any underlying issues such as debt or specific support needs.

**Debt/general advice** This is provided by specialist workers from partner organisations and therefore is not always available. Where possible, the service will provide an initial overview of the problem and offer ongoing support to people when appropriate.

**Fuelbank vouchers** This is a new scheme running in partnership with NPower and The Trussell Trust. Eligible clients may receive a fuel bank voucher to exchange for gas and/or electric to top up their pre-payment meters.

*Jesus said: 'I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.*

*Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me'.*



## Get Ready for Christmas

After another successful Family Fun Day in the summer, we are now looking forward to our Get Ready For Christmas event on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November**. Please contact me if you can help with the organisation, are willing to run a stall or are able to make or donate items to sell such as cakes, books, gifts and raffle prizes.

**Rubina Davison**  
2084 3442

# Operation Christmas Child

Since 1990, Operation Christmas Child, a Christian organisation, has been blessing children around the world with gift-filled shoeboxes packed by children and adults in the UK. It's a campaign supported by thousands of schools, churches and other organizations between September and November each year. It is now the largest children's appeal in the UK. It aims to meet critical needs of war, poverty, disease and natural disaster. For many children, the shoebox is their only Christmas present. They are also given a leaflet on the Christmas story and can also attend a type of Sunday school.

Each year I start contacting our two churches, schools and organizations in September. On Shoebox Sunday all our shoeboxes are brought to church for a blessing. The following day, volunteers come to collect them and take them to a warehouse for sorting and packing. For the last two years the warehouse has been in Llantrisant, and hordes of people (and children) work for hours in very cold conditions, without any heating. Each box is opened and any unsuitable items removed and given to charity shops. It is far preferable to leave the box untouched as the donor planned it.

The boxes are tightly bound with coloured tape before being crated for transport. It is an amazing operation to witness. In 2016 the Llantrisant warehouse processed 35,092 shoe boxes! With your help, we sent 16,375 to Zambia, 9,673 to Albania, 2,696 to Romania and 6,348 to Belarus. Many people travel annually from UK to help distribute the boxes and return with very moving stories.

The flat-pack boxes and information leaflets will be available at the back of both churches. Filled boxes should be taken to church on Shoebox Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> November. It is vital they are delivered on time.

Any enquiries to:  
**Anne-Marie Phillips**  
2084 2526



## Caring for our buildings

It is nice to be able to report on completed work. The promised work in the Parish Hall has been carried out: Ladybirds Nursery now has an extra toilet and will be taking additional children into their care. We have also decided to upgrade the lighting in the Parish Hall, swapping the old fluorescent fittings for modern LED ones. The hall will be brighter, running costs will be reduced marginally, and there should be no need to get out the long ladder to replace tubes for many years!

We have also finished replacing the floor tiles in the main room and corridor of the New Schoolrooms, plus the Rector's vestry. The same areas will now be redecorated (for technical reasons, the redecoration has to come after the installation of the new floor), possibly during half term. In addition, we decided to replace the old baby grand piano in the New Schoolrooms with a new, good quality electronic upright model. The old piano still played well, but frankly looked rather shabby and was rather heavy, large and unwieldy. It used to be in Christ Church before it was moved to the New Schoolrooms and, I am delighted to say, it has found a new home in Caerphilly. The new piano will not need tuning; it will also be smaller and lighter. That's progress!

We did not get around to running the promised working parties at either St John's or Christ Church (mainly to ensure that water is running freely from our buildings and vegetation is not getting the upper hand) so we will do that in the Autumn. Do get in touch if you think you could help - no real skill required, just a willingness to contribute and be involved.

Do let us know if there is anything wrong!

**Nick Hawkins** 029 2084 2561  
HawkinsNick@msn.com

# Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

We had a lovely summer outing to Cyfartha Castle in June and members enjoyed the afternoon tea following our AGM in July. We said thank you to Kay Bradburn who stood down from the committee but welcomed Glad Llewellyn in her place.

Our September meeting always commences with Eucharist. Members then took part in a treasure hunt around the church and great fun was had looking for the answers to the clues. We learnt a lot about the building! A Bring and Buy and refreshments followed.

Thirteen members took part in our Sponsored Walk on 13<sup>th</sup> September to raise money for baptism and wedding gifts. This is a parish project that we have supported for many years by holding a cake stall at Harvest, but this year we decided to do something different. Apart from one short shower, the weather was kind to us. We are very grateful to parishioners, friends and family who sponsored us - we shall have raised at least £700.



We have put together our new programme for the coming year; an interesting variety of activities and talks. Our next meetings, at Christ Church, commencing at 2pm will be:-

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Wales Air Ambulance

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November - 1 Family Cardiff

Why not come along? We shall be very pleased to welcome you.

**Nicky Webber**

Branch Leader 2084 3582

## **Christ Church Christmas Tree Festival**

**celebrating the life of our community**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**



**Friday/Saturday 10am–6pm**

displays and refreshments

Come and see

**Sunday 6pm: Carol Service**

Come and sing

**In aid of *1FamilyCardiff*, a project to support Syrian refugees**

## From the parish registers

### Holy Baptism

Eloise Ali  
Olivia Ali  
Isla Anne Evans  
Esme Kathryn Evans  
Elliott James Hassett  
Jessica Elizabeth Peart  
Ted Gwynne Price  
Bea Freya Wickens  
Flynn Tomos Wickens  
Seren Rose Woolston

### Joined in Holy Matrimony

Nathan Murray & Holly Thomas

### The faithful departed

Louise Davies  
Tomos Evans  
William Giles  
Jean Hughes  
Kenneth Holland  
Robert Meatyard

## Dates for your diary

22 <sup>nd</sup> October	<b>Parish Gift Day</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>All Saints' Sunday</b> Café Church St John's 6pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	<b>All Souls' Commemoration</b> Christ Church 7pm United parish service to commemorate the faithful departed.
12 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Remembrance Sunday</b>
19 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Shoebox Sunday</b>
25 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Get Ready for Christmas</b> Christ Church 11am-2pm
1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> December	<b>Christmas Tree Festival</b> Christ Church: concludes with a carol service at 6pm on 3 <sup>rd</sup> December.

## ***From the archives***

*The following is an extract from the parish leaflet of August 1951*

### CHRISTIAN FAITH IN BRITAIN

The Faith of Britain Exhibition in the Crypt of St Paul's Cathedral, which was opened some two months ago, has been visited by many hundreds of people who have been able to see what a profound influence Christianity and the English Bible have had on the development of our national character. Seldom, if ever, can there have been presented such a clearly defined picture outline of the Christian faith of Britain from its beginning to the present day.

As Dr R W Moore, Headmaster of Harrow School, said when he opened the exhibition: 'Here, and not under the Dome of Discovery, is the inner structure of our civilisation portrayed. Newton and Locke, Darwin and Rutherford, Lister and Faraday, were all pioneers and our debt to them is great; but I would in all humility say that our debt to Bede and Wycliff, Alfred and Wesley, Wilberforce and Shaftesbury, is greater.' The Exhibition is to remain open until the end of September and all who have the opportunity are urged to visit it.

### THE ROYAL VISIT, JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>

When the Royal train arrived in Cardiff, a number of people were waiting on the platform to greet Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. Among them were Major Cennydd Traherne, Deputy Lieutenant of Glamorgan; the Lord Mayor (Alderman Robert Bevan); the Lady Mayoress (Mrs Robert Bevan), and Miss Sally Lewis of Radyr.

First greetings over and presentations made, Sally Lewis stepped forward with dignity and grace to present the Queen with a bouquet of orchids and lilies of the valley. How thrilled Sally must have felt! And it must have been a wonderful experience for her to drive afterwards with the Royal Party through the streets in Cardiff, lined as they were with many thousands of cheering people, to the City Hall.

We share with Sally Lewis her happy thoughts and feelings of this memorable day in her life. Such occasions as these are rare in life and remain, very naturally, as pleasant landmarks.

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## PAROCHIAL NOTES

The Llandaff Diocesan Board of Missions has just published its Report for 1949/50. Our Parish contributed £24 5s 9d to Missionary Societies.

We congratulate the following on satisfying their Examiners in Examinations held last month.

In Architecture: Mr Bryan Glynne  
In Art: Mr John Greenwood-Wilson  
In Medicine and Surgery: Miss Isobel Young  
In Physiotherapy: Miss Valerie Smart

## Parish News subscriptions

If you have enjoyed reading this magazine, why not take out a subscription? Four issues a year for £2.50, delivered to your home (or collect from church). Please speak to Malcolm May at St John's (2055 2352) or Alun and Deb Redwood-Knight at Christ Church (2055 1195).



## Old stamps? Loose change?

Christian Aid will put your stamps to good use to raise funds for their humanitarian work, and 'Christmas-the Story' will take your small change (1p, 5p or whatever) to help fund their nativity productions in Tabernacle, the Hayes.

There is a white box for stamps and a jar for coins at the back of each church.

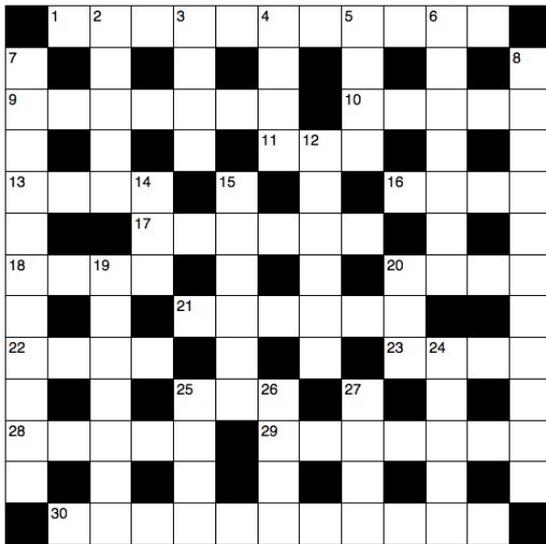
Solution to the crossword in the last edition.

## Parish activities

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Sunday School, St John's Church</b> Anne Jones 2055 4749
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Sunday School, Christ Church</b> Julie Davies 2084 2923
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Whatever! Christ Church</b> (first Sunday of month, term time) Rector 2084 2417
<b>Monday</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Mothers' Union, New School Rooms</b> (second Monday of month) Nicky Webber 2084 3582
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10.00am</b> (term-time)	<b>Parent &amp; Toddler Group, Parish Hall</b> Heather Jones 2089 0242
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Choir Practice, Christ Church</b> Pat Jones 2084 2813
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Bell-ringing Practice, Christ Church</b> Trevor Lewis 2033 9449

## Other useful contacts

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29 'We, who are many, are one body, for we all – of the one loaf' (1 Corinthians 10:17) (7)

30 Assyrian ruler assassinated by his sons while worshipping his god Nisroch (2 Kings 19:37) (11)

### Down

2 'For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made – ' (1 Corinthians 15:22) (5)

3 'After supper he – the cup' (1 Corinthians 11:25) (4)

4 The request of a man of Macedonia in Paul's vision: 'Come – to Macedonia and help us' (Acts 16:9) (4)

5 He disobeyed his father Judah by refusing to impregnate his dead brother's wife (Genesis 38:9) (4)

6 I veto me (anag.) (7)

7 Fourth king of Judah (1 Kings 15:24) (11)

8 Priest of God Most High, who blessed Abram (Genesis 14:18) (11)

12 'I have made you – – for the Gentiles' (Acts 13:47) (1,5)

14 Implore (1 Samuel 15:25) (3)

15 'Out of the eater, something to eat; out of the – , something sweet' (Judges 14:14) (6)

19 'I am the most ignorant of men; I do – – a man's understanding' (Proverbs 30:2) (3,4)

20 'Sin shall not be your master, because you are not under – , but under grace' (Romans 6:14) (3)

24 Native of, say, Baghdad (5)

25 The last word in the Bible (Revelation 22:21) (4)

26 Heroic tale (4)

27 'Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you – ' (John 8:32) (4)

### Across

1 The sixth disciple (Matthew 10:3) (11)

9 'And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the – – ' (Matthew 6:13) (4,3)

10 Love intensely (Song of Songs 1:4) (5)

11 From Mt Carmel to Jezreel, Elijah – all the way (1 Kings 18:46) (3)

13 One of the Midianite leaders who was captured and killed after Gideon's victory in the valley near Moreh (Judges 7:25) (4)

16 Metallic element (4)

17 At line (anag.) (6)

18 'Cursed is everyone who is – on a tree' (Galatians 3:13) (4)

20 Where Samson killed a thousand Philistines with a donkey's jawbone (Judges 15:14) (4)

21 He succeeded Moses (Deuteronomy 34:9) (6)

22 'When he saw him, he took – on him' (Luke 10:33) (4)

23 'For – is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction' (Matthew 7:13) (4)

25 'The god of this – has blinded the minds of unbelievers' (2 Corinthians 4:4) (3)

28 Fear or terror (Psalm 31:22) (5)