

The Parish of Radyr Newsletter

9th February – The Third Sunday before Lent

Readings and Psalm page 56 Common Worship Lectionary

Today's Collect Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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

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| 6.00pm | Evening Prayer | | Christ Church |
| 7.15pm | Confirmation session | | N Schoolrooms |
| Wed 12 th | Holy Eucharist | 9.30am | Christ Church |
| | Bumps a Daisy | 10.00am | N Schoolrooms |
| Thurs 13 th | Holy Eucharist | 11.00am | St John's |
| | Choir Practice | 6.00pm | Christ Church |
| | Bellringers | 7.30pm | Christ Church |

Coffee/tea will be served today after the 9.15am service at St John's and the 11:00am service at Christ Church

Services for 16th February – The Second Sunday before Lent

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| 8.00am | Holy Eucharist | Christ Church |
| 9.15am | Holy Eucharist | St John's |
| 11.00am | Holy Eucharist | Christ Church |
| 6.00pm | Evening Prayer | Christ Church |
| 7.15pm | Confirmation session | N Schoolrooms |

Parish News The latest issue of our parish magazine is now on sale in both churches. If you would like an annual subscription for £2.50 please speak to Malcolm May at St John's (07906 875295) or Jill Newbould at Christ Church (029 2084 3938).

The nearly Reverend Belinda Huxtable - I am delighted to announce that Belinda, an ordinand, who is currently on placement in the parish will remain here to serve her curacy following her ordination on **27th June** in Llandaff Cathedral.

Today's Psalm – 112.1-9

- 1 Alleluia! Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 **Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.**
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 **Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 **For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumours; their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 **Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies.**
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honour.

***Pastoral Visits** – if you are in any kind of pastoral need and would appreciate a call, home communion, or a home visit soon, please call Vicki on 029 2084 2417. In extremis, please feel you can call her on the mobile 07515 965781 at any time.*

Will you sponsor our confirmation candidates? Last Sunday, we presented our confirmation candidates with a young person's guide book, "Faith Confirmed" and confirmation sessions start this Sunday. Each session will include games, food, Christian teaching and a time of prayer - there will also be a social event. If you would like to make a donation towards the books and session costs please place it in an envelope and hand it to one of our Church Wardens. And please pray for our candidates as they each embark on the next phase in their journey of faith. The Confirmation Service will be in Christ Church at 7.00pm on **30th April**.

Mothers' Union meets again on **tomorrow, 10th February** at 2 pm. Please bring your Wedding Photographs - a chance to guess who's who!

Confirmation Amnesty!!! If you are currently receiving the sacrament of bread and wine but have not yet been confirmed, why not take this opportunity to join with all our young people on 30th April by being confirmed by Bishop June at Christ Church? If you would like to attend a discussion group with other adults considering this please let me know - vicki.burrows@me.com

The Parish of Radyr Book Club – after another successful meeting, attendees have chosen the classic book "**Little Women**" by **Louisa May Alcott** for the next read. Join us at The Rectory at 10am on **Tuesday, 24th March** for coffee, cake and conversation.

Shrove Tuesday Quiz It's time to get your team together (tables of eight) for the annual Shrove Tuesday quiz on **25th February**, starting at 7.30pm in the New Schoolrooms. Tickets, £10, (including a hot supper) are now available from the Churchwardens. *Please bring your own drinks and glasses.* As usual, this will be a nut-free event. Proceeds from this event will go towards Church roof repairs.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 26th February, when there will be the 09:30am service plus a Sung Eucharist at 7.30pm, both with imposition of Ashes. **Each Friday** during Lent we will be meeting at Christ Church at 12 noon for 30 minutes of meditation and prayer on the theme 'All Creation sings God's Glory' followed by a soup lunch for Christian Aid. **On Sunday's**, our 6pm Evening Prayer service in Christ Church will be following the Diocesan Year of Pilgrimage Lent course. And **each Monday** during Lent we will meet at 7.00 pm at St John's Church for a discussion group on the theme 'The First Easter' – an empty tomb, a missing body, four different stories. What really happened? The resurrection of the Son of God is crucial to our understanding of the Christian faith. Bring a bible and let's do theology together.

Lent Lunches - Volunteers: Nicky Webber is asking for volunteers to make soup and help to set up and wait on tables. Any Friday between **28th February and 3rd April**. There is a space for your name on the rota! Speak to Nicky or give her a call on 2084 3582.

'Jars of Change'. Early notice that, during Lent, we will be encouraging school children – and adults – to fill jars with loose change in support of Water Aid. The jars will then be brought to church at Easter (or collected at the schools if the children cannot attend). For details of the scheme, have a look at <http://tiny.cc/wateraidradyr> .

Date for your diary. The next concert in the Concerts@ChristChurch series will be on **6th March**, starting at 7.00pm. It will feature Clarinettist Paul Smith, from the Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama, plus performers from Radyr Comprehensive School, including their Big Band, Junior Choir and a String Group. Tickets will be available soon.

Christ Church Coffee Rota *Volunteers needed please*, to serve coffee after the 11am service on the first Sunday of each month. Please sign the list outside the vestry or speak to Simon on 2084 3442.

Cardiff Foodbank *currently have no urgent food needs. Their greatest need at present is financial support to cover operating costs. Donations can be made at www.cardiff.foodbank.org.uk .*

If you would like something included in these notices next week, please contact Vicki Burrows (2084 2417), one of the Churchwardens, or send the copy to hawkinsnick@msn.com.

Please also send information/photos for the Parish Website to RadyrParishWebsite@gmail.com

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