

*Thought for the week:*  
 God abandons no one who is faithful to him, and he will not abandon you if you rely on him.

Nikolaus Gross

Tonight at 6.30pm in St. Teilo's Jonathan Cox from London is our guest speaker in the discussion 'Faith & Sanctuary'. Please come to what promises to be a very interesting talk.

There will be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 2pm tomorrow in St. Michael's for the Mothers' Union, followed by their AGM.

The Mission Group meets at 8pm on Monday evening at 6 Newminster Road, Roath.

The funeral of Carl Gibbs will take place at 2.15pm on Tuesday March 9th in Highfields Church on Monthermer Road. Please remember Nikki in your prayers at this time.

Our Lent Group continues on Wednesday in St. Michael's. Thanks to Pete for last week and to Liz for this. Tea/coffee will be served at 7pm and we will start promptly at 7.15pm.

The third Cytûn Lent Lunch is on Thursday at 12.30pm in St. Michael's, and so a reminder to those who offered to help! All welcome.

The Lent edition of the Parish Magazine is available today. Thanks to all contributors and to James for putting it all together. Still 30p!

## THE PARISH OF CATHAYS

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Please contact Rev'd Caroline to arrange baptisms, marriages, banns, and Holy Communion for the sick and housebound. Please let Caroline know if anyone wishes to be prayed for, is ill or in hospital or would welcome a visit.

*Items to be included in this newsletter need to be given to Caroline by Thursday of each week before publication on Sunday. We will try our best to include everything!*

### Notes & Queries

- ✦ St. Teilo's Choir will be performing Stainer's Crucifixion at 6.30pm on March 21st, Passion Sunday. Please come to listen to our young and talented singers and their offering for our spiritual journey through Lent. There will be a retiring collection.
- ✦ Next Saturday, March 13th between 10am and 12.30pm, the Venerable Peggy Jackson - Archdeacon of Llandaff - will be leading us in Circle Dancing. Names and numbers to Caroline please. Remember to bring something to share for lunch afterwards.
- ✦ Next Sunday, Mothering Sunday, is a special day for the Parish as we have the Archbishop of Wales, the Most Reverend Dr. Barry Morgan, joining us for worship. It would be lovely for the Archbishop to see as many of us as possible.
- ✦ If you would contribute towards the cost of lilies for the Altar of Repose at Easter in St. Teilo's, please see Elliott or Caroline.

*Readings for next Sunday, Lent 4 - Mothering Sunday - are:  
 Exodus 2:1-10; Psalm 34:11-20; 2 Corinthians 1:3-7; Luke 2:33-35*

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THE CHURCHES OF  
**ST. ANDREW & ST. TEILO,**  
 WOODVILLE RD.  
**ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS,**  
 WHITCHURCH RD.

March 7th 2010

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*Everyone is welcome here. In St. Michael's you will find a Sunday School, at which all young children are very welcome. There is a family service on the first Sunday of each month. In St. Teilo's we have a choir in university term-time, and the church has traditionally been a place of worship for students, as well as the wider community. If you are new to the church please make yourself known to Caroline, the Wardens, or a member of the congregation. Please stay for tea or coffee after the service.*

### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

#### ST. TEILO'S

Tonight, 6.30pm  
 Faith & Sanctuary

Tuesday, 11.30am

Funeral of  
 Wayne Dibble

Tuesday, 7pm

Holy Eucharist with  
 Lenten Devotions

#### ST. MONICA'S

Wednesday, 9am

Eucharist - all  
 welcome

#### ST. MICHAEL'S

Monday, 2pm

Holy Eucharist with the  
 Mothers' Union, followed  
 by the AGM

Wednesday, 7.15pm

Lent Group

Thursday, 9.30am

Holy Eucharist

Thursday, 12.30pm

Cytûn Soup Lunch

Saturday, 10am-12.30pm

Circle Dancing with the  
 Archdeacon of Llandaff

For more detailed information on all our activities, please visit our website:  
[www.cathaysparish.org.uk](http://www.cathaysparish.org.uk)



*Sir, let it alone for one more year  
 until I dig around it and put  
 manure on it.*

### Collect of the day:

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

SIT

The reader says: A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

**Isaiah 55: 1-9**

Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

THE EPISTLE

SIT

The reader says: A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

**1 Corinthians 10: 1-13**

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptised into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.” We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Silence

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 63:1-8**

STAND

O God, you are my God; \* / eagerly • I / seek you: my / soul • is a- / thirst for / you.

My flesh / also / faints for you: as in a dry and thirsty / land • where there / is no / water.

So would I gaze upon you in your / holy / place: that I might behold your / power / and your / glory.

Your loving-kindness is better than / life it- / self: and / so my / lips shall / praise you.

I will bless you as / long as • I / live: and / lift up • my / hands • in your / name.

My soul shall be satisfied, as with / marrow and / fatness: and my mouth shall / praise • you with / joyful / lips,

When I remember you up- / on my / bed: and meditate on you in the / watches / of the / night.

For you have / been my / helper: and under the shadow of your / wings will / I re- / joice.

† My / soul / clings to you: your / right hand • shall / hold me / fast.

THE GOSPEL

STAND

Priest: Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke

Response: **Glory to you, O Lord**

**Luke 13:1-9**

At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them – do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.” Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil? He replied, Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.”

After the Gospel:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Response:

**Praise to you, O Christ.**