

# The Garth Ministry Area

## Christ Church, Radyr; St John's Danescourt

### 10<sup>th</sup> April – The Sixth Sunday of Lent

### Palm Sunday

#### HEADLINES

**Covid:** The Welsh Government has removed all restrictions and face coverings are no longer required in our buildings – but feel free to wear them if you would prefer as they remain a useful way to prevent the risk of infection. Our services have reverted to a normal format, although the sacrament will remain as being distributed in one kind (bread) only at the altar rail – please remain standing. Finally, please note that passing around the collection plate during services has now been reinstated.

**So, do come and join us in Christ Church and St John's. You will be most welcome.** For those still unable to get to church for whatever reason, we are now regularly streaming the 11:00 Sunday service on the **Parish's YouTube channel**. Also, please note that Christ Church is now open for private prayer, Monday to Friday from about 9am until 4 pm.

**Please make sure you have told friends and relatives about the Good Friday concert (below). An opportunity to both reflect and raise money for a good cause.**

#### SERVICES & EVENTS

Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>		
	<b>8.00am</b>	Holy Eucharist	<b>Christ Church</b>
	<b>9.15am</b>	Holy Eucharist	<b>St John's</b>
	<b>11.00am</b>	Holy Eucharist	<b>Christ Church</b>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	Sunday Praise	<b>Christ Church</b>
		<i>(There will be a farewell reception for Vicki after this service)</i>	
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>7.30pm</b>	Devotional Service	<b>St David's Church, Groes Faen</b>
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>7.30pm</b>	Devotional Service	<b>St Mary &amp; St James Church, Taffs Well</b>
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9.30am</b>	Holy Eucharist	<b>Christ Church</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	Devotional Service	<b>St Mary's Church, St Fagans</b>
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Maundy Thursday:</b> (No morning service today as the clergy will be at the Chrism Mass in the cathedral. Please attend the evening service.)		
	<b>6.15pm</b>	Choir practice	<b>Christ Church</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	Holy Eucharist	<b>Christ Church</b>
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10.00am</b>	Family Service	<b>Christ Church</b>
	<b>2.00pm</b>	Devotional Service	<b>St John's</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b><i>At the Still Point of the Turning World</i></b> Christ Church.	
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Easter Day</b>		
	<b>8.00am</b>	Holy Eucharist	<b>Christ Church</b>
	<b>9.15am</b>	Holy Eucharist	<b>St John's</b>
		<b>(followed by an Easter Egg Hunt and coffee and cake in the Parish Hall)</b>	
	<b>11.00am</b>	Holy Eucharist	<b>Christ Church</b>
		<b>(followed by drinks and an Easter Egg Hunt)</b>	

***At the Still Point of the Turning World*** 7.30 pm **Good Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April**, Christ Church. An evening of specially chosen music and poetry for Good Friday, with the Morganna String Quartet. Over the centuries the story of the trial and crucifixion of Jesus has inspired composers and writers, like J. S. Bach and Arvo Part, John Donne and T. S. Eliot, to create some of the world's greatest works of art. This is an opportunity to reflect on the profound meaning of the day, and to invite friends and neighbours who perhaps might not attend a traditional religious service. **Admission free. Donations to DEC Ukraine Appeal**

**New Choir Conductor** I'm delighted to announce that Dave Hutchings will take up the role of Choir Conductor after Easter. His biography is overleaf.

**Further dates for your diaries:**

**The funeral of the late Patricia Storey** will take place at Christ Church Radyr at 11.30am **tomorrow, Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> April.**

**Mother's' Union meets again tomorrow, Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April** at 2pm for a Beetle Drive with a difference! A fun fund raising event for the MU caravan preceded as usual by a short service in the New Schoolrooms. So please come along. New members welcome.

**Advance notice** that Christ Church and St John's will be having their Jubilee Family Fun Day on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July. We are asking, please, for help, ideas or the loan of anything which might help to make our event even more successful than it has been in previous years. Please contact Rubina Davison. 02920843442

**The Festival of Prayer Day** began in 2016 and was going from strength to strength before the Covid 19 pandemic struck. If you are someone who hasn't been to the Festival Day, which this year is on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July**. This year's programme is to be found at [www.festivalofprayer.live](http://www.festivalofprayer.live) .

**Holy Land Pilgrimage. 5<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022.** Journeying to the Holy Land to walk in the footsteps of Jesus has been a life changing and inspiring pilgrimage for countless people of faith. To find out more, see brochures (in church), contact Vicki, or [follow this link for full information including a booking form](#).

**Penrhys Pilgrimage Passport Stamp** A stamp and passports have been placed in the porch of Christ Church for those embarking on the Penrhys Pilgrimage – a walk of 21 miles from Llandaff Cathedral to Penrhys in the Rhondda. For full details, please visit <http://www.penrhyspilgrimage.wales/>

**Tower Scaffolding** You will have noticed the scaffolding around the tower of Christ Church. This is to allow work to be done on the pointing and lead work at the top of the tower – part of the 'quinquennial' repairs. It is likely to be there for three weeks.

**Cardiff Foodbank's** top three items are Microwaveable Rice, Tinned Fruit and Fruit Juice (Long Life) 1 litre.

**Dave Hutchings' biography:** David read music at Cardiff University, studying piano with Raymond Clarke and conducting with Keith Griffiths. After completing a masters in Musicology, analysing the piano music of Charles Valentin Alkan, he took up conducting roles with a number of choirs and orchestras across South Wales.

He has been Musical Director of Spectrum Singers, an A-Capella choir based in Penarth, since 2014. Together they have undertaken a tour of Berlin in 2016, hosted Rouen Conservatoire in Cardiff, in performances including Mozart Requiem and Choral Evensong at Llandaff Cathedral, have featured on Radio 3 in a new commission by Rosie Clements in Making Music's *Adopt a Composer* scheme. This year they will give the Welsh Premier of Janet Wheeler's *Time Becomes a Song*, settings of five poems by John Clare. During lockdown, David led online webinars hosted by Spectrum Singers, with guest artists including composers Eric Whitacre, Will Todd and Janet Wheeler, and Voces 8's Andrea Haines.

Until recently David has held the posts of organist and choirmaster at All Saints, Penarth, and assistant Musical director of The Harry Ensemble. As well as conducting, David sings with the BBC National Chorus of Wales, The Harry Ensemble, and has deputised for the CBSO Chorus singing both in Monaco and in Birmingham, singing Mahler in their 100th anniversary celebrations.

Upcoming projects include a workshop on *The Dream of Gerontius* with the Hallé Chorus, Handel's Messiah in both London and Cardiff, and repertoire sessions with Sonnet Wind Band in London

### **To Make Online Donations to Christ Church and St John's**

To set up a regular monthly donation to Christ Church or St John's please go to the [Giving For Life Page on our website](#). This contains a link to the "Gift Direct" system, which is a donation scheme operated by The Church in Wales on our behalf and is the most efficient way of making regular donations. If you currently use envelopes or a standing order, please consider using the Gift Direct scheme to help us maximise the Gift Aid we can reclaim and increase efficiencies.

### **Change of Bank Account -**

If you give using the monthly Gift Direct Scheme the bank account details have been changed automatically, you do not need to contact your bank or cancel the direct debit or set up a new donation.

***If you would like something included in next week's Newsletter, please contact one of the Churchwardens, or send the copy to [nickywebber562@gmail.com](mailto:nickywebber562@gmail.com).***

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Please call or email the clergy team at any time.  
(Their day off is usually Friday but may be called at any time in extremis).