

The Garth Ministry Area

Christ Church, Radyr; St John's Danescourt

17th April – Easter Sunday

A VERY HAPPY AND BLESSED EASTER TO YOU ALL

HEADLINES

Rev'd Vicki Burrows: Today we say 'farewell' to Vicki, who has been with us a relatively short time but has transformed our lives. She has guided us safely through both the ravages of a pandemic and brought about the implementation of the Garth Ministry Area. The world is a very different place to how it was in 2019 when she arrived. We thank her for her ministry, her energy, and her courage to make the world a better place. We will miss her and wish her a continuation of a faithful and fruitful ministry. With all our good wishes to her, and her family's future happiness.

Do join us for drinks after the 11:00am service in Christ Church.

THANK YOU from Vicki and family.

We have been overwhelmed by your many letters, cards, messages and gifts these past few weeks. We are so grateful for your kind words and generosity. We will all miss you but hope to see you again...so do please give us a few weeks to settle into our new home (Waterloo, Letton, HR3 6DN) then come and visit us, we would love to see you.

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. Further to last weeks MA News, the ministry team had a lot of feedback regarding the possibility of resuming communion in both kinds (ie. bread and wine) this Easter. Almost all of the feedback agreed with our own assessment that the time is not yet right for this, given the very high levels of covid currently in the community. We will regularly review this and will reintroduce the chalice when we feel it is reasonable to do so. It will, of course, remain the case that no one has to receive the chalice when we do reintroduce it, communion in one kind (ie. just the bread) remains equally valid. 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.

SERVICES & EVENTS

Sun 17th **Easter Day**
8.00am Holy Eucharist **Christ Church**
9.15am Holy Eucharist **St John's**
(followed by an Easter Egg Hunt and coffee and cake in the Parish Hall)
11.00am Holy Eucharist **Christ Church**
(followed by drinks and an Easter Egg Hunt)

(Please note – no midweek services this week)

Thurs 21st **6.15pm** Choir practice **Christ Church**
Sun 24th **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**

Further dates for your diaries:

Advance notice that Christ Church and St John's will be having their Jubilee Family Fun Day on Saturday, **2nd 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 9th July**. This year's programme is to be found at www.festivalofprayer.live .

Holy Land Pilgrimage. 5th – 14th 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/>

Radyr Drama Society, as part of its 40th Anniversary celebrations, is performing 'The Last Tango in Little Grimley', plus some monologues, on Friday 29th April and Saturday 30th April, 7.30pm at Morganstown Village Hall. Tickets are available from www.ticketsource.co.uk or contact Nicky Webber on 2084 3582.

Cardiff Foodbank's top three items are Instant Coffee (small jars), Sponge Puddings and Tinned Fruit.

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 hawkinsnick@msn.com .

Please also send information/photos for our Website to RadyrParishWebsite@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).

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