

The Garth Ministry Area

Christ Church, Radyr; St John's Danescourt

8th May – The Fourth Sunday of Easter

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 normal, although the sacrament will remain as being distributed in one kind (bread) only at the altar rail – please remain standing. Although now allowed, it has been decided not yet to resume communion in both kinds (i.e. bread and wine). 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 (i.e. just the bread) remains equally valid.

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 regularly stream the 11:00 Sunday service on the **Parish's YouTube channel** (where you can also view past services). Christ Church is open for private prayer, Monday to Friday from about 9am until 4pm.

New appointments have been announced for the Garth Ministry Area. Rev'd Ian Yemm, currently Assistant Curate in the Cowbridge Ministry Area, will be looking after Christ Church and St John's, and Rev'd Sandra Birdsall, currently Vicar in the Afon Nedd Ministry Area and Chaplain to Mothers' Union Llandaff (and well known to us) will be looking after St Fagans, Tongwynlais and Taffs Well. More details were in last week's Ministry Area News and are [on our website](#).

In the meantime, following Rev'd Vicki's last service on Easter Sunday, we are being looked after by Rev'd Steve Willson, The Garth Ministry Area Leader, and Belinda, our Curate. Their contact details are below.

SERVICES & EVENTS

Sun 8 th	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

Tues 10th **No Coffee & conversation today**

Wed 11 th	9.30am	Holy Eucharist	Christ Church
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Thurs 12 th	11.00am	Holy Eucharist	St John's
	6.15pm	Choir practice	Christ Church

Sun 15 th	8.00am	Holy Eucharist	Christ Church
	9.15am	Holy Eucharist	St John's
	11.00am	Holy Eucharist	Christ Church

Evening Prayer has been cancelled this evening to make space for the Festival Concert.

Further dates for your diaries:

Mothers' Union meets again **tomorrow, Monday, 9th May** at 2pm in the New Schoolrooms. Following a short service, "Playing for Royalty" will be the theme with Simon and Rubina Davison so please bring along any royal memorabilia. New members are welcome.

Tickets are still available for all R&M May Festival events, including the Open Gardens event **today**, and the concert in Christ Church **next Sunday, 15th May** starting at 7.30pm in support of 'Headway, Cardiff and South East Wales. This will be a concert of well known classical music given by the Porthcawl Community Orchestra with soloist Stef Harvey-Powell. Tickets, £10, are available from Nick Hawkins 2084 2561, Allan Cook, 2084 3176, The Little Flower Den and on-line at www.ticketsource.co.uk/rma.

Come along to the New Schoolrooms on Tuesday 17th May at 12 Noon for a soup and bread lunch. There will be news of Christian Aid projects and information about ways, both new and old, you can support the work. Contact Amanda Russell-Jones with any queries or offers of help.

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The funeral of the late Douglas Hogg will be on **Wednesday 18th May** as follows:

14:45 Cremation service in the Wenallt Chapel at Thornhill Crematorium - CF14 6RG

15:45 Memorial service at Llandaff Cathedral - CF5 2EB

Strawberries & Cream Tea in support of Christian Aid at St. John's Church Hall, Danescourt, **Saturday 28th May**, 2pm to 4pm. Tickets £5, available from Cheryl Evans, Ann May or Pauline Parry or phone/text 07906 875295.

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 .

A message from Vicki and family. Vicki has been in touch to say that cards, gifts and flowers thanking her for her ministry and wishing them happiness in their new home etc have continued to make their way to them. They are so grateful for everyone's kind words and generosity. She reiterated the invitation for anyone to visit them, or just get in touch...the kettle is usually on! (Waterloo, Letton, HR3 6DN, 07515 965781, vicki.burrows@icloud.com,)

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. **This event is still going ahead.** To find out more, see brochures (in church), or [follow this link for full information including a booking form.](#)

Good Grief is a group which met once a month on the last Thursday of the month for a cuppa and conversation; an opportunity for those who have been bereaved recently, or even years ago, to gather to chat and share the grief journey together. Only a few people have felt the need to join this group and so the decision has been taken to suspend it for the time being. Please contact Belinda for further information.

Penrhys Pilgrimage Passport Stamp A stamp and passports have been placed at the back 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/>

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

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.

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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