

# The Garth Ministry Area

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

### 15<sup>th</sup> May – The Fifth 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.

#### SERVICES & EVENTS

Sun 15 <sup>th</sup>	<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>

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

Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Coffee &amp; conversation today</b>	
	<b>12 Noon</b> Christian Aid lunch	<b>New Schoolrooms</b> (see below)

Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9.30am</b> Holy Eucharist	<b>Christ Church</b>
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Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>11.00am</b> Holy Eucharist	<b>St John's</b>
	<b>6.15pm</b> Choir practice	<b>Christ Church</b>

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#### Further dates for your diaries:

**Tickets are still available** for **this evening's** concert in Christ Church 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, will be available on the door.

**Come along to the New Schoolrooms** on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> May**, 2pm to 4pm. Tickets £5, available from Cheryl Evans, Ann May or Pauline Parry or phone/text 07906 875295.

**Family Fun Day "Jubilee"** the summer fete at Christ Church is back again this year, on **Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July**, themed on the Queen's Jubilee. Stalls, games, inflatable slide and bouncy castle, bar & BBQ, live music, bell-ringing demonstrations, plus a host of other attractions for all the family. For offers of help, please contact Rubina Davison. 02920843442. Just seven weeks to go until the event!

**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).

**Christ Church is asking for volunteers to put flowers on the shelf behind the altar in church.** There is a rota on the notice board near the hall. No flower arranging skills are needed as bunches of flowers, bought or from your own garden, are just put into two vases on the shelf. Nothing exotic or expensive is expected! If, for any reason, you do not wish to put them in the church yourself you can contact Marion John or Jean Gardner and one of them will either put them in for you or come with you to show you what is needed. In these difficult financial times, the more volunteers we have means the cost is therefore spread far more thinly. Thank you. Marion 20842448 [mandkjohn@hotmail.com](mailto:mandkjohn@hotmail.com) ; Jean 20330759 [jgardner9@sky.com](mailto:jgardner9@sky.com)

**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](mailto:vicki.burrows@icloud.com).)

**News of Rev'd Becca Stevens**, who was on placement with us some years ago and has been made a Canon of Newport Cathedral. Here is the official announcement: 'We are delighted at the announcement today of John Connell, Ministry Area Leader in Abergavenny, and Becca Stevens, Ministry Area Leader of Newport North West, as Canons of the Cathedral. We look forward to their installation in the Cathedral on 3rd July at 4pm. This will be in addition to their current roles and recognises their gifts, skills and experience in the Diocese and more widely in the Church in Wales.'

**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. **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.penrhyspilgrimageway.wales/>

**Cardiff Foodbank's** top three items are Good Quality Carrier Bags, 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.

***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](mailto:hawkinsnick@msn.com) .***

***Please also send information/photos for our Website to [RadyrParishWebsite@gmail.com](mailto: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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