Church News.

Glastonbury Pilgrimage
This year the Glastonbury Pilgrimage celebrates its centenary and takes place on Saturday, 13th July with the preacher being the Right Rev'd Dr Rowan Williams. If anyone would like to experience the joys of joining with people from many parts of the country for celebrating the Mass and being part of the Pilgrimage through the streets of Glastonbury either by walking or watching, please put your names on the lists that are at the back of each church. Further details such as the cost will be available once I have a better idea of numbers who wish to go. If anyone would like more information about the day, please see Carolyn.

THE MINISTRY AREA COUNCIL

will meet next in S. Mabon's Church, Llanfabon at 7pm on Wednesday 3rd July 2024.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Strawberry Tea yesterday afternoon and to everyone who worked so hard to prepare the lovely tea for us

Church groups and Community groups – what's on this week!

Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union hold their monthly **Quiz Afternoon** at 2.00pm on Tuesday 25th June in St. Margaret's Church.

Community Dance Group

Meet each Monday at 10.30am at St. Margaret's Church. All are welcome!!

Mothers' Union

The Mothers' Union hold their monthly Meeting at 6.00pm on Tuesday 2nd Júly in S. Margaret's Church.

Bargoed Community Choir.

We meet each Thursday, during term time, at St. Margaret's Church, Gilfach – 10.00 to 11.30 am. All are welcome!!

Everyone is welcome to join us for any of our groups and social meetings.



DEVOTIONAL MATERIAL AND OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES:

www.parishofgelligaer.org.uk (scan the QR Code) Parish of Gelligaer Facebook page llandaff.churchinwales.org.uk / churchinwales.org.uk SUNDAY 30th JUNE 2024

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District of Gelligaer

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A welcoming Christian community serving the people of the District of Gelligaer.

Priest: Fr Gary Powell

Reader: Carolyn Corbín

Dear friends,

I hope that you are all well and that you have all had a good week. We extend a warm welcome to everyone. Please join us for worship. Please keep this newsletter and see our parish website and parish Facebook page which for information of our weekly services and forthcoming events and devotional aids.

JESUS THE HEALER

In very moving scenes in today's Gospel Mark tells us of the encounter between Jesus and Jairus, whose daughter was at the point of death and between Jesus and the unnamed woman who came to Jesus having suffered from haemorrhages for twelve years. Both of these people came to Jesus because they had heard of his remarkable ability to heal. They came to him in faith. In love Jesus received them both, he answered their pleas and healed first the woman before going to the home of Jairus and restoring his daughter to full health. Here Jesus reveals the depth of his love and compassion, he showed that he will hear who turn to him in prayer and in faith. As his disciples we are called to continue his work. Through our words and actions we are called to love and show compassion in his name, bringing hope, peace and healing to all in need around us.

Your friend and priest, Fr Gary Powell

Worship Through the Week.

S. Catwg's Church, Gelligaer:

Sunday 11.00am **Sung Eucharist** Thursday 10.00am Holy Eucharist

S. Margaret's Church, Gilfach:

Sunday 9.30am **Sung Eucharist** Wednesday 10.00am Holy Eucharist

Everyone is welcome to join us for worship during the week and our social groups and meetings. Further details on the back of this newsletter.

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Please do not hesitate to contact Fr Gary in the event of sickness or other need.
For enquires regarding Baptisms and weddings or spiritual guidance please contact Fr Gary.
We are here to help.

The Liturgy of the Word.

Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings, Psalm and Gospel for Today.

A reading from the book of Wisdom

1. 13-15: 2. 23-24

God did not make death, and he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things so that they might exist; the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them, and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal, for God created us for in corruption, and made us in the image of his own eternity, but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his company experience it. This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30. Response: O Lord my God I will give thanks to you forever

I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up.

And did not let my foes rejoice over me:

O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol

restored me to life from among these gone down to the pit. (R)

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones,

and give thanks to his holy name.

For his anger is but for a moment; his favour is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

As for me, I said in my prosperity; 'I shall never be moved.'

By your favour, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain:

you hid your face: I was dismayed.

To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication:

What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the pit?

Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!

You have turned my morning into dancing;

you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,

so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.

O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians

8. 7-15 Now as you excel in everything - in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you - so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might

become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something - now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has - not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, 'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Speak to us, O Lord, bring your Word to life within us.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Mark Glory to you, O Lord.

5. 21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?" 'He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.' While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.