

THE PARISH OF CATHAYS

THE CHURCHES OF
ST. ANDREW & ST. TEILO,
WOODVILLE RD.
ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS,
WHITCHURCH RD.

May 29th 2011

Easter 6

Rogation Sunday

Year A

Everyone is welcome here. In St. Michael's you will find a Sunday School, at which all young children are very welcome. There is a family service on the first Sunday of each month. In St. Teilo's we have a choir in university term-time, and the church has traditionally been a place of worship for students, as well as the wider community. If you are new to the church please make yourself known to Caroline, the Wardens, or a member of the congregation. Please stay for tea or coffee after the service.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

ST. TEILO'S

Tonight, 7pm
Sung Evensong

Tuesday, 7 pm
Holy Eucharist

ST. MICHAEL'S

Thursday, 9.30am
Holy Eucharist for
Ascension Day

Thursday, 7pm
Sung Eucharist for
Ascension Day

Saturday, 10am-3.30pm
Parish Quiet Day with
Canon Val Hamer,
Diocesan Missioner

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If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever.

Collect of the day:

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

*The reader says: A reading from the Book of Genesis.***Genesis 8:20 - 9:17**

Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt-offerings on the altar. And when the Lord smelt the pleasing odour, the Lord said in his heart, 'I will never again curse the ground because of humankind, for the inclination of the human heart is evil from youth; nor will I ever again destroy every living creature as I have done. As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease.' God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth. The fear and dread of you shall rest on every animal of the earth, and on every bird of the air, on everything that creeps on the ground, and on all the fish of the sea; into your hand they are delivered. Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you; and just as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. Only, you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. For your own lifeblood I will surely require a reckoning: from every animal I will require it and from human beings, each one for the blood of another, I will require a reckoning for human life. Whoever sheds the blood of a human, by a human shall that person's blood be shed; for in his own image God made humankind. And you, be fruitful and multiply, abound on the earth and multiply in it.' Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

*Silence**Reader:*

This is the word of the Lord.

*Response:***Thanks be to God.***The Epistle.*

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*The reader says: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.***Acts 17: 22 - 31**

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, 'Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, "To an unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him – though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For "In him we live and move and have our being"; as even some of your own poets have said, "For we too are his offspring." "Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals.

While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.’

Silence

Reader:

This is the word of the Lord

Response:

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66: 8 20

STAND

Bless our God, / O you / peoples: make the voice of his / praise / to be / heard,

Who holds our / souls in / life: and suffers / not our / feet to / slip.

For you, O/God, have / proved us: you have / tried us as / silver is / tried.

You brought us / into the / snare: you laid heavy / burdens up/on our / backs.

You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through / fire and / water: but you brought us out / into a / place of / liberty.

I will come into your house with burnt offerings and will / pay you my / vows: which my lips uttered and my mouth promised / when I / was in / trouble.

I will offer you fat burnt sacrifices with the / smoke of / rams: I will / sacrifice / oxen and / goats.

Come and listen, all you who / fear /God: and I will tell you what / he has / done for my / soul.

I called out to him/ with my /mouth: and his / praise was / on my / tongue.

If I had nursed evil / in my / heart: the / Lord would / not have / heard me,

But in truth /God has / heard me: he has / heeded the / voice of my / prayer.

Blessed be God, who has not / rejected my / prayer: nor withheld his / loving /mercy / from me.

The Gospel.

STAND

Priest:

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John

Response:

Glory to you, O Lord

John 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples, ‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

After the Gospel:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Response:

Praise to you, O Christ.

Thought for the week:

Sow everywhere the good seed given to you. Sow in good ground, sow in sand, sow among the stones, sow on the road, sow among the weeds. Perhaps some of these seeds will open up and grow and bring forth fruit, even if not at once.

Seraphim of Sarov

Our thanks go to Rev'd Eddie and Rev'd Canon Sally Davies who have kindly volunteered to cover services in the parish while Caroline is away until Thursday. Please note that there will be two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist for Ascension Day on Thursday - one at 9.30am and the other at 7pm, both in St. Michael's. All welcome at this major festival of the church's calendar.

Don't forget that next Saturday is our Parish Quiet Day with Canon Val Hamer, the Diocesan Missioner for Llandaff Diocese. Val will be looking at birds in the Bible and trying to make a connection between birds and ourselves.

Our Whitsun Treat will take place on June 12th in St. Teilo's, beginning at 5.30pm, with entertainment provided by our harpist Harri and pianist Chris. Lists of food required for the buffet are now posted in both churches.

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Please contact Rev'd Caroline to arrange baptisms, marriages, banns, and Holy Communion for the sick and housebound. Please let Caroline know if anyone wishes to be prayed for, is ill or in hospital or would welcome a visit.

Items to be included in this newsletter need to be given to Caroline by Thursday of each week before publication on Sunday. We will try our best to include everything!

Notes & Queries

- ✦ Congratulations to Lucy Champion who masterminded last Sunday's concert for the Red Cross Japanese Tsunami Appeal which raised over £500. Wonderful!
- ✦ St. Michael's still needs one more person for the tearoom on Saturday June 4th. Please see Jeff Doidge - even if you can spare only a couple of hours.
- ✦ Both churches in the parish are low on funds for flowers. Val Doidge is collecting money in St. Michael's and Glynn in St. Teilo's.
- ✦ Next Sunday after the morning service in St. Teilo's there will be a scheduled meeting of the church committee.
- ✦ Also next Sunday at 2pm in St. Teilo's is the baptism of Riley James Dean Denning.
- ✦ Advance notice: there will be no service of Holy Communion on Tuesday June 21st at 7pm in St. Teilo's. Parishioners may wish to attend the induction of Rev'd Liz Griffiths into the City Parish of St. John's. The service begins at 6.30pm.

*Readings for next Sunday, Easter 7, Sunday after Ascension, are:
Ezekiel 36:24-28; Acts 1:6-14; Psalm 68:1-10; John 17:1-11*