

THE PARISH OF CATHAYS

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

October 23rd 2011
Trinity 18
Last Sunday after
Pentecost
Bible 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, 7.15pm
Taizé Service

Tuesday, 7 pm
Holy Eucharist

ST. MICHAEL'S

Thursday, 9.30am
Holy Eucharist



*Clocks go
back next
weekend!*



For more detailed information on all our activities, please visit our website:
www.cathaysparish.org.uk

*Heaven and earth will pass away,
but my words will not pass away.*

Collect of the day:

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning: so help us to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience and the comfort of your holy word, we may ever embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, 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 the Prophet Nehemiah

Nehemiah 8: 1-4a; 8-12

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. The scribe Ezra stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the purpose. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength." So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, "Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved." And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them.

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 Letter of Paul to the Colossians

Colossians 3: 12-17

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him

Silence

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119:9-16*STAND*

How shall young people / cleanse their / way: to keep themselves ac- /
 cording / to your / word?

With my whole heart / have I / sought you: O let me not go a- / stray
 from / your com- / mandments.

Your words have I hidden with- / in my / heart: that I / should not / sin a-
 / gainst you.

Blessed are / you, O / Lord: O / teach / me your / statutes.

With my lips have / I been / telling: of all the / judgements / of your /
 mouth.

I have taken greater delight in the / way of • your / testimonies: than in /
 all / manner • of / riches.

I will meditate on / your com- / mandments: and / contem- / plate your /
 ways.

My delight shall be / in your / statutes: and I will / not for- / get your /
 word.

*The Gospel.**STAND*

Priest: Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew

Response: **Glory to you, O Lord**

Matthew 24: 30-35

Jesus said “The sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see ‘the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven’ with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see all these things, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.”

After the Gospel: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Response: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Thought for the week:

The Bible is especially dangerous if we call it 'the Word of God' and think that divine inspiration means that everything we read is right. But divine inspiration means that God's Spirit has the power to make the story speak to us from faith to faith.

Letty M. Russell

Our thanks go to our ordinand Rachel who is preaching in St. Michael's today, and to University Chaplain Trystan Hughes who is to preach at St. Teilo's this morning.

There will be a service tonight at 7.15pm in St. Teilo's using the music and worshipping style of Taizé. This follows on from the 'Church Afternoon for Students' in Cathays Methodist Church between 4pm and 6pm which is a chance for students to discover what's on offer in churches in the area. Catholic, Methodist, Orthodox and Anglican denominations will be represented. Ends with a café style worship open to all.

Don't forget that our after-school club 'Sunday on Monday' is having a break for half-term and will resume on Monday, November 7th.

Our condolences go to Karl and Joanne from St. Teilo's on the death of Karl's father, whose funeral is to take place on Tuesday in the Briwnant Chapel at Thornhill.

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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

- ✦ Caroline will be on holiday from after this morning's services until Monday October 31st. Our thanks go to clergy covering services - Sally, Eddie, Meg and John. In case of emergencies, please contact one of the wardens whose details can be found above.
- ✦ Tuesday, November 1st is All Saints Day, one of the church's 'red letter' days and there will be a Eucharist with hymns at 7pm in St. Teilo's. Please come.
- ✦ On Wednesday, November 2nd, All Souls Day, there will be a Eucharist at 7pm in St. Michael's. Lists for the names of those you would like to be remembered are in both churches today.
- ✦ The Shoe Box Sunday service will be at 5pm in St. Michael's on November 6th. We need at least 50 shoeboxes for a collection to be made. Please make one if you can.

*Readings for next Sunday, Kingdom 1, are:
Micah 3:5-12; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Psalm 43; Matthew 24:1-14*