

Our Lady of Peace Parish, Newbridge

With Sacred Heart, Pontllanfraith & Ss. Anthony & Clare, Risca

Sundays B Weekdays 1 Psalter Week 4	Ss. Anthony & Clare, Risca	Our Lady of Peace, Newbridge	The Sacred Heart, Pontllanfraith
Sunday 25th 4 th Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations	9.30am Rosary & Morning Prayer	Sunday Stream 10.30am John & David Quick	Regina Coeli & Evening Prayer 6.00pm
Monday 26th		Chapel Stream 6.30pm Pat Leonard	Regina Coeli & Evening Prayer 6.00pm
Tues. 27th	9.30am Rosary Morning Prayer 10.00am	Chapel Stream 6.30pm Robert Lloyd	Regina Coeli & Evening Prayer 6.00pm
Wed. 28th St. Peter Chanel	9.30am Rosary Morning Prayer 10.00am	Chapel Stream 10.30am Tom Downey	Regina Coeli & Evening Prayer 6.00pm
Thursday 29th Feast: St. Catherine of Sienna	9.30am Rosary Morning Prayer 10.00am	Chapel Stream 10.30am Charlie O'Neill & Maggie O'Neill	Regina Coeli & Evening Prayer 6.00pm
Friday 30th St. Pius V	9.30am Rosary Morning Prayer 10.00am	Chapel Stream 10.30am Jeff Fletcher & Wayne White Holy Souls	Regina Coeli & Evening Prayer 6.00pm
Saturday May 1st St. Joseph the Worker	9.30am Rosary Morning Prayer 10.00am	Chapel Stream 10.30am Peace	Regina Coeli & Evening Prayer 6.00pm
Sunday 2nd 5 th Sunday of Easter	9.30am Rosary & Morning Prayer	Sunday Stream 10.30am Dorothy Thomas	Regina Coeli & Evening Prayer 6.00pm
Stations of the Cross			
Tuesday 27th April	Spirituality & Prayer	4.00pm (Chapel Stream)	
Wednesday 28th April	Verbum Domini	4.00pm (Chapel Stream) Also on zoom	
Thursday, 29th April	Bible Study and exploration!	7.00pm (Chapel Stream) Also on zoom	
Zoom ID 789 809 7636			

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Please pray for...
All those who receive the Sacrament at home, those who are in any need and especially for:
Stuart Coe, Ruth & Helen,
Ken Randall, Lisa Evans, Nell Hawkins,
Steve and Stuart, John Foley, Keith Thomas, Sean Rooke, Christine, Dianne and Ben.
All those with COVID
If you would like to place someone on the list for prayers; please check they are willing for their name to appear here and forward their name to us.

Good Shepherd Sunday
This Sunday we consider our vocations; what is God calling each one of us to do?
We also pay special attention to those called to the ordained ministry as Bishops, Priests and Deacons, and the Consecrated Life.
There is a 'Priests' Training Fund' in the Diocese that you may wish to support but we also have a Seminarian in the Parish, Gwyn Jones who we support.
Gwyn sent a lovely message to you all, thanking you all for your prayers and support on his journey.
Do keep him, and his fellow seminarians, in your prayers. We need Good Shepherds!

Regina Coeli,
Joy to thee, Queen of Heaven. Alleluia!
He, whom thou wast meet to bear. Alleluia!
As He promised hath arisen. Alleluia!
Pour for us to God thy prayer. Alleluia!

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia!
R. Because the Lord is truly risen, Alleluia!

Let us pray
O God, Who by the Resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, hast been pleased to give joy to the whole world, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may attain the joys of eternal life.
Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Saint of the Week
Saint Pius V, Pope
Pius was born to a poor family and was a shepherd until he was 14 years old. He then joined the Dominican Monks and was ordained 10 years later.
Pius held many roles within the Catholic Church before he was elected Pope. He became one of the foremost leaders of Catholic Reformation, publishing the Roman Catechism and Roman Missal. He also excommunicated Elizabeth I, and later, greatly regretted it.
Pius died 6 years after being made Pope, aged 68 years old, and on the front of his tomb a lid of gilded bronze shows what he looked like as Pope.
Feast day 30th April

Please Pray For:
The soul of Pat Leonard. Her funeral will be at Our Lady of Peace, Newbridge on Monday, 26th April at 10.00am.
Also
Robert George Peter Lloyd. His funeral will be at Our Lady of Peace, Newbridge on Tuesday, 27th April at 11.20am.
The Liturgies will be on the 'Sunday Stream'.
May they rest in peace!
Please keep the families in your prayers at this difficult time.

Aid to the Church in Need!
This site is worth following. Aid to the Church in Need - ACN, brings to light the difficulties of the church in many areas of the world. These areas do not appear in the news but are described for us and supported by the CAN
DO have a look at this site. Just now there are 37 pages of news around the world. Some encouraging stories and some sad and tragic! Please read and, if you find an area or a topic that you think we should highlight, email us the details and we will 'Spot-light' it in the Newsletter.
Read about the work being done in Iraq at the moment! Go to their news on:
<https://acnuk.org/acn-news/>

Restoration Group Meeting
This Wednesday, April 28th at 7.01pm
Zoom ID 789 809 7636

Premananda
Following a very difficult time in India, I am pleased to report that the Orphanage in India is doing well with a lot of safeguards in place for the youngsters there. They have returned to schools and colleges and life is back to some sort of normality.
It has been very difficult to get money through to the Orphanage during this period but I'm pleased to report that we have managed to do so now. Because of these problems I did not ask people who pay annually for their sponsorship money earlier, but now I am in a position to be able to forward it so I would be grateful if people could send their money to me or pay it in directly to the Premananda back account.
Please make cheques payable to 'Premananda Orphanage Centre Appeal'.
If you are unsure how to do this or need the account details, please phone or message me on 07773 649460
Thank you so much for your continued support of the Orphanage.
It really is appreciated. God Bless you all.

Curry Night
What a lovely evening we had on **Tuesday April 20th** for our curry evening on zoom. It was brilliant to have a catch up with **Jon James** (8pm our time, 9am his time!) who gave us an update about **Premananda Orphanage**. Schools have just closed due to the pandemic so he wasn't sure when they would re-open to the students. There is a chance they may re-open in May, but that depends on the virus. Also, a lot of maintenance has been done on school buildings with more in the pipeline. Jon would like to come to the UK for a visit, possibly in the Autumn, but it will depend on travel restrictions. He is unsure when he will be able to visit Premananda next, most likely in 2022.
If you were unable to join us on zoom for the evening but would still like to make a donation, please feel free to pop a donation into Imelda or Fr. Kevin or go on line using the Events and Giving page using the code 01 at the end of your donation.
Thank you to you all for your generosity.

ZOOM
We are using Zoom at the daily Masses for readings and responses. We also have Zoom available for the online talks. If you would like to read at Mass or be a responder, please email us on the Parish address:
newbridge@rcadc.org

 'Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd."'

Joh 10:14-16

Restoration Project

The first phase of the project will be starting on **Monday, 19th April 2021!**
here are four 'Phases' to this project.

Phase 1 will include:

- Repairs to South and West elevations (*The end with the Cross on and the side facing the road*)
- Access ramp (*This will be up to the Main doors*)
- Community activities

Phase 2 (*No start date for this yet!*)

- Repairs to North and East elevations (*The other end of the church and the back face – by the cliff*)

Phases 3 and 4 (*No start date for this yet!*)

- Internal conservation work
- Creation of a community space
- Ground works

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This is a basic outline at the moment so that you can see the scope of the work. Information will come from the Group meeting and please feel free to ask any questions you have. You can write or email the parish address:

newbridge@rcadc.org

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Do support this project and make others aware of it!

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Restoration Group

The next meeting go be arranged will be on **Wednesday 28th April at 7.01pm**
Zoom ID: 789 809 7636

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The first part of the project may be a little bit 'invisible' as it will be an 'Ecology Survey' to discover whether we have any protected species around the church! 'Batman' will be coming on **Thursday, 22nd April!**

After this we will see scaffolding being erected and a 'High Level Asbestos Survey' being done to identify if there is any asbestos and to make plans to safely remove it.

Your prayers are needed!!

Giving and Fundraising Page

I have a request! If you are using the *Giving & Events* web page to give to CAFOD or the fundraising events could I ask that you help me by doing the following. As all the donations on the page are registered as 'fundraising' on the statements I receive, could you possibly add either 1, 2, or 3p to the donation. 01p will tell me that it is for CAFOD (*or the left-hand button*). 02p will show it is the middle button donation and 03p the right-hand donation button.

This will help until I manage to resolve the issue.
Thank you so much!

Duck Race

What a fun time we had watching these races. 'Thank you' to all those of you who joined in on zoom – I think we can safely say we all enjoyed watching and cheering on the ducks!
Many thanks to Mary for organizing the event.
To date it has raised £382 for church funds.
Thank you all for your support.

Here is a list of winners of each of the races:

- Race 1 = Bernard, Imelda, Imelda.
- Race 2 = Claire J, Matt J, Rose J.
- Race 3 = Cath B, Martin P, Martin P.
- Race 4 = Antonio, Daniel P, Mary G.
- Race 5 = Chris J, Carole B, Harri and Megan.
- Race 6 = Gareth S, Leanne B, Vera S.
- Race 7 = Dianne H, Chris W, Angharad.
- Race 8 = Dianne H, Rita, Rita.

These then all went into the final race.
Overall winners of the final race were:

- 1st = Dianne H.
- 2nd = Rita W.
- 3rd = Rita W.
- 4th = Imelda

Congratulations to our winners and many thanks to you all for taking part.

Social and Fundraising Meeting

The next meeting for the Social and Fundraising group will take place on **Friday April 30th at 7.30pm.**
Please make a note of this date in your diary.
Thank you.

Cleaners Please!

As we start easing our way out of lockdown and into Safe gatherings, it is time to prepare the Church in Newbridge so that it is cleansed ready to open. I know that we prepared some cleaners a long time ago, but we need to re-vamp our list again. Could I ask for volunteers who are not in the vulnerable category to contact us through the Parish email:

newbridge@rcadc.org

Use the Subject 'Clean' and please indicate if you would like to clean or steward (*or both*) and give contact details. There will need to be a new training session so could you please also include evenings or times when you would be unable to attend. Thank you so much.

When we have our cleaners and stewards in place we will move to the next phase.
More information next week!

Smelly Collection! & Baby Items

These are two different collections.

The 'Smelly Collection' is still continuing (*not at Ecopark!*). We are planning to collect for this on a once a month basis by using the 'Shed' at Pont as a collection centre. The items will then be taken to the lady who prepares gift bags from them and delivers them to the Hospital.

I would welcome a few volunteers to receive the goods and deliver them. If we have a few people then it is a shared task!

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Footprints Baby Bank!

Footprints Baby Bank operates in the Caerphilly/Blaenau Gwent area through referral from Health professionals and Social Services to reach the most vulnerable young families.

If you are able to donate any baby clothes up to the age of 2yrs, new or preloved, or toiletries, towels, blankets, nappies, baths, Moses baskets etc, or a donation towards any of these either now or in the future it will be much appreciated.

Donations will be collected as for the 'Smelly Collection'.

Thank you to everyone who donated this weekend. It was another successful collection.

Our next collection date for both of the above ventures will be on Saturday May 29th from 12 noon – 1pm in Pont.

RCIA

The group have agreed a meeting date for this week. Are there any sponsors who would like to offer their services? Prayer partners as well! This program will go ahead and we will keep you up-to-date with progress.

Do remember all the RCIA group in your prayers.

We meet on Zoom – ID: 789 809 7636 – at 7.15pm on **Monday, 26th April 2021.**

Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals has highlighted a 'Crisis in Ethiopia'. If you want information about the organization please go to: <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/>

Magnus, a founder, has written about this. He starts:-
"The people of Tigray are living in fear of imminent starvation. The brutal fighting, taking place away from the eyes of the world, has forced many to flee their homes. The city of Mekelle is being overwhelmed by displaced people arriving with nothing at all. Many of them are unaccompanied children who have lost their parents."
To read the rest and to learn about the crisis and what they are asking, please go to:

<https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/crisis-in-ethiopia>

Thank you!

Child Protection

The LCPR – 'Local Child Protection Rep.' for these parishes is Mrs Imelda Mortimer.
Should you need to contact her the number is **07773 649460**

Food Banks An Update

The situation remains much the same at Pontllanfraith. The Council are doing the bulk of the work and handling referrals so we will keep our attention on this situation for any changes.
In Risca, there are collections 'off the wall' – if you need information, please ask.

Tin on a Wall

Tin on a Wall is a community initiative aimed at supporting people within the communities of Panside, Newbridge and surrounding areas. Its aim is to collect donations for the food bank through a co-ordinated, street by street, community effort.

The foodbank is based in St. Peter's Church. Panside, and the collections are organised by Jayne Jeremiah. Collectors pick up food items, toiletries etc once a month. If you would like to participate in the scheme, contact Jayne Jeremiah via messenger on Facebook for further details on collections.

The next collection will be on Thursday, April 29th in the afternoon/evening.

If you would like to take part please contact Jayne Jeremiah to find out who your local collector is and what time they are likely to call. **Alternatively, the Co-op in Newbridge is supporting this venture and donations may be dropped into the store where a box has been made available. Items purchased from any shop, not necessarily purchased from the Co-op, may be given in here.** Information for Tin on a Wall can be found on the local Facebook group – Panside Community Food Bank Facebook Group.

There will also be information available on the Oakdale Village site on Facebook.

We will keep you informed, but please feel free to send in information about collections in your area that we can advertise in the Newsletter

200 Club

The final draws have been made!

Thank you to all those who have supported this, it has raised a tremendous amount over the years. A Big Thank You to Leonora for managing this across the three churches and a thank you to her team of collectors. Well done!

To see the final draws click the link:

[200 Club Winners](#)

Zoom Coffee Morning

Our next coffee morning will be after Mass on **Sunday May 2nd** at 11.45am.

Zoom ID: 789 809 7636

The next **Social & Fundraising TBA**

Collection & Envelopes!

Some of you have asked about collection and Standing Orders. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

I have a copy of a Standing Order form. If you would like one please email the parish at Newbridge@rcadc.org. Would you like to 'Gift Aid' your offering? Ask for a Gift Aid form in the email. please state which church you normally attend (*OLOP, SSA&C, SH*).

Thought for the week

Share your knowledge, it's a way to achieve immortality.