

St Saviour's Church

11 August 2019 - Trinity 8 (OT 19)



Years ago 'Action Men' toys were the height of desirability for young boys. In reality such toys were simply masculine dolls for young boys, yet the idea of the action man or woman is something that can also make sense for all those who are interested in deepening their Christian discipleship. Discerning what actions God calls from us in every situation remains a constant challenge to our desire to live as God wants. Likewise, being internally willing to act on a prompt that comes to us from God's revelation to the world can also challenge us to our cores. Perhaps the message behind this can be viewed by considering the opposite: becoming a people who never acts positively but only reactively, passively, in a way that does the least good for the least number!

Parish Notes:

Welcome - to Fr Tomos Watkin who is presiding and preaching for us today.

Sanctuary Lamps - A reminder that sanctuary lamps can be dedicated in thanksgiving/in memoriam. Please write your intentions on the sheets at the back of church and give your £4 donation to John

Cardiff Foodbank - Many thanks from Cardiff Foodbank to all who regularly donate food. Currently, we urgently needed the following items: long life fruit juice, UHT milk, Rice Pudding, Sponge Pudding, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned fish. They also have plenty of: Beans, pasta, cereals, snacks & sweets, soup, tea, meat. Many thanks again.

Penrhys Sponsored Walk from Llanwonno Church to Penrhys on Saturday 17 August. Anyone interested in joining us on the walk or for Mass at the Shrine of Our Lady of Penrhys please speak to Liz for more details.

Assumptiontide - Ecumenical Celebration of the Assumption on Sun 18 August in St Mary's Butetown. Vespers, procession, fireworks and BBQ. All are welcome.

Rome and Assisi Pilgrimage 2019 - 2-6 December. If you are interested in going please see Fr Phelim. Cost of flights from Bristol, transfers and transport in Rome and to Assisi will be £250.

Weekday Services - No Monday mass this coming week. All other services as usual.

Recently Departed: Arthur Petty, Louise Anne Lloyd RIP

This week:

Sun 11: Trinity 8

9:30 Sung Mass (St S)

11am Sung Mass (St G)

Mon 12:

No Mass (St G)

Tues 13:

10am Mass (St S)

Wed 14:

10am Mass (St G)

St Maximilian Kolbe

Thur 15:

5:45pm Mass (St S)

Assumption of the BVM

Fri 16:

6pm Mass (St S)

Sat 17:

11am Mass (St S)

Sun 18: Trinity 9 (OT 20)

St Saviour's:

9:30 Sung Mass;

St German's:

11:00 am Sung Mass

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READINGS THIS WEEK

Wis 18:6-9

Ps 33:1+12, 18-19, 20-22

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

Luke 12:35-40

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10

Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18

Heb 12:1-4

Luke 12:49-53

PSALM RESPONSE

Happy are the people
the Lord has chosen as
his own. (3vv)

COLLECT

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern us in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

GATHERING:

Colours of day dawn into the mind,
The sun has come up,
the night is behind,
Go down in the city, into the street,
And let's give the message
to the people we meet.

**So light up the fire
and let the flame burn,
Open the door, let Jesus return,
Take seeds of His Spirit,
let the fruit grow,
Tell the people of Jesus,
let His love show.**

Go through the park, on into the town,
The sun still shines on,
it never goes down,
The Light of the world is risen again,
The people of darkness
are needing a friend.

Open your eyes, look into the skies,
The darkness has gone,
the Son came to die,
The evening draws on,
the sun disappears,
But Jesus is living, His Spirit is near.

OFFERTORY:

You shall cross the barren desert,
But you shall not die of thirst.
You shall wander far in safety,
Though you do not know the way.
You shall speak your words
in foreign lands,
And all will understand,
You shall see
the face of God and live.

**Be not afraid,
I go before you always,
Come follow Me,
And I shall give you rest.**

If you pass through raging waters
In the sea, you shall not drown.
If you walk
amidst the burning flames,
You shall not be harmed.
If you stand before the pow'r of hell
And death is at your side,
Know that I am with you,
through it all.

Blessed are your poor,
For the Kingdom shall be theirs.
Blest are you that weep and mourn,
For one day you shall laugh.
And if wicked men
insult and hate you,
all because of Me,
Blessed, blessed are you!

COMMUNION:

All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew,
Me through change
and chance He guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown, He alone
Calls my heart to be His own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown betray His trust;
What with care and toil He buildeth,
Tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth,
Deep His wisdom, passing thought:
Splendor, light and life attend him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore from His store
Newborn worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'almighty Giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
His desire our soul delighteth,
Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand at His hand;
Joy doth wait on His command.

Still from man to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ, His Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall.

FINAL HYMN:

**Sing it in the valleys,
Shout it from the mountain tops;
Jesus came to save us,
And his saving never stops.
He is King of Kings,
And new life he brings,
Sing it in the valleys,
Shout it from the mountain tops,
(Oh!)
Shout it from the mountain tops.**

You take all my fears. .
if I only come to you,
you will heal the pain of years.

Though I go astray
Jesus take me in your arms
Help me walk with you today.

Jesus, I believe.
Jesus, take me, heart and soul,
Yours alone I want to be.

FIRST READING

The First reading is from the book of Wisdom.

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

This is the word of the Lord.

Wisdom 18

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord,
O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy,
whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen as his own. *R/*

The Lord looks on those
who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. *R/*

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. *R/*

Psalms 33

SECOND READING

The Second Reading is from the letter to the Hebrews.

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore. All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead; and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

This is the word of the Lord.

Heb 11

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Luke.

‘Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

‘Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting

for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

‘But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.’

This is the gospel of the Lord.

Luke 12