

Church News / Notices.

STRAWBERRY TEA

*Our annual Strawberry Tea
Takes place at 2.30pm on Saturday 27th June in
Neuadd S. Catwg's Hall.
Tickets available from June and Cheryl
Everyone is welcome*

Confirmation.

*The Ministry Area is looking to organise a Confirmation Service with
the Bishop. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in being
Confirmed, or if you would like further information about Confirmation,
please speak to Fr Gary or one of the clergy.*

Church groups and Community groups – what's on!

Friends of Gilfach Quiz afternoon Tuesday 23rd June at St. Margaret's Church, Gilfach, 2.00pm. All are welcome!!	Friends of Gilfach
Community Dance Group Meet each Monday at 10.30am at St. Margaret's Church. All are welcome!!	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!!
<i>Everyone is welcome to join us for any of our groups and social meetings.</i>	



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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

St. Catwg

District of Gelligaer

St. Margaret

SUNDAY 14th June 2026 -
The Second Sunday after Trinity



We are a welcoming Christian community serving the people of the District of Gelligaer.

Priest: Fr Gary Powell

Reader: Carolyn Corbin

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.

Last Sunday we set out on our long journey through the Trinity Season. It is an exciting journey in which we discover more about the teachings of Jesus and what they mean to us for the way that we live our lives. Our readings today are focussed on journeys. In our first reading we journey with the Hebrews through the wilderness, reminding us that we too journey through the wilderness of this land toward our eternal home, the promised land of Heaven. In our Gospel reading we join Jesus on his journey around the Holy Land proclaiming the good news of the love of God for his people, reminding us again that as we journey through this world we are called to join him in proclaiming the love of God to all who are in need. Throughout this season let us open our hearts to God and allow him to lead us through this life, let us join with him in building his kingdom of love and peace that we may share the glory of his risen life for ever,

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
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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.*

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The Liturgy of the Word.

Collect: Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings, Psalm and Gospel for Today.

A reading from the book of Exodus

19. 2-8a

They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.' So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.

'This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 100 Response: Make a joyful noise to the Lord all the earth.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth,
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing. **(R)**

Know that the Lord is God.
It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. **(R)**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to him, bless his name. **(R)**

For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever,
and his faithfulness to all generations. **(R)**

A reading from the letter of S. Paul to the Romans

5. 1-8

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

"As you go, proclaim the good news," says the Lord. "The kingdom of heaven has come near."

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St. Matthew.

9.35 - 10.8

Glory to you, O Lord.

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.' Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.