

Sunday 23 February 2025

The Second Sunday before Lent

Weekly Notices

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Today's Services

- 8.00am **Holy Eucharist [1984]**
- 9.00am **Holy Eucharist [2004]**
- 11.00am **Sung Eucharist**
- 4.00pm **Evening Prayer**



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The Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

The Post-Communion Prayer

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The First Reading

A reading from the book of Genesis

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Then the Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

'This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
this one shall be called Woman,

for out of Man this one was taken.'

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.
And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

Genesis 2. 4b-9, 15-end

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;
to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid.

**To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins;
when our misdeeds prevail against us, you will purge them away.**

Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there.
We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house, even of your holy temple.

**With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation,
O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.**

In your strength you set fast the mountains •
and are girded about with might.

**You still the raging of the seas,
the roaring of their waves and the clamour of the peoples.**

Those who dwell at the ends of the earth tremble at your marvels;
the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise.

**You visit the earth and water it;
you make it very plenteous.**

The river of God is full of water;
you prepare grain for your people, for so you provide for the earth.

**You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase.**

You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.

**May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness
and the hills be girded with joy.**

May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep
and the valleys stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing.

The Second Reading

A reading from the book of Revelation:

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

'Holy, holy, holy,
the Lord God the Almighty,
who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

'You are worthy, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.'

Revelation 4

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Luke.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

Luke 8. 22-25

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

WEEKLY NOTICES

Congregation Survey—We would like to hear your views! Complete our congregational feedback survey and help us learn more about you and your experiences at the Cathedral. You can complete the survey here—<https://llandaffcathedral.online/congregation-feedback-survey>

Butterfly Garden—There is a new path in the butterfly garden in the south churchyard, made with materials provided by 'Keep Wales Tidy' community gardens project, and installed last Saturday by our valiant team of volunteers; very many thanks to Michael Steer, Stuart Hamblin, Alice Greider, Craig Driscoll, Paul and 10 year old Charlie Blake, along with Gareth and Dave from KWT.

Guild of St Teilo—Our next meeting is at 2pm on Monday 24th February in the Parish Hall. We are holding a fashion show from Edinburgh Woolen Mill. Visitors are always welcome.

Join us as we journey towards an EcoChurch Gold award... Llandaf Cathedral received the Silver award this week! We are eager to proceed to the next level. Each week we will update you on the progress we are making and highlighting ways that you can join with us to care for God's creation. St. David said 'Be joyful, keep the faith, and do the little things...'. A little thing you can do this week:

The 27th February is International Polar Bear Day! — The day was founded to coincide with the time when polar bear mums and cubs are snug in their dens. The denning period is the most vulnerable time in a polar bear's life. On International Polar Bear Day, learn about the challenges facing mums and cubs and how you can help protect them. Find out more at www.pbears.org/intlpolarbearday

Prayers for the sick – Prayer intentions for the sick: this list is now based on the requests sent in via this form: <https://llandaffcathedral.churchsuite.com/forms/wy58qy6m> which is also available on paper from the Cathedral office. Each name remains on the list for 8 weeks and this time can be extended by re-submitting the form or emailing the Office.

Asking for a blessing instead of receiving the bread and wine? If you have been baptised/christened in any church, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Cathedral. If you are not baptised and/or confirmed, do get in touch if you are interested in thinking about this. You might like to try our course 'Explore the Faith' which is suitable for those enquiring about the faith, as a refresher, or as a preparation for confirmation. Contact Canon Jan to find out more.

School references for Llandaff City Church in Wales Primary School: Parents needing a church reference for their child's application should please email Canon Jan (chancellor@llandaffcathedral.org.uk) with an outline of their and their child's involvement at the Cathedral over at least the last 2 years. This information will be helpful alongside our own attendance records.

Music and Choirs – Majestas Kids, our music group for children aged 6-13 is led by Rachel Kilby, our Music Animateur, and meets on Saturdays in term time from 10-11am. Rachel inspires children to explore their musical talents through games, singing and work with instruments. If you'd like more information, or would like to sign your child(ren) up to join, please contact Rachel at rachelkilby@llandaffcathedral.org.uk

Majestas Youth Choir, a group for 13-18 year olds, recently sang their first service in the Cathedral. This un-auditioned choir who meet on a sessional basis is a great way to experience singing with other young people in a professional context., If you would like further information about the next Majestas Youth engagement or about any other events happening in the music department, please email us at music@llandaffcathedral.org.uk.

The 'Anniversary of Death' List – If your loved one's funeral was held at the Cathedral, and/or their ashes are interred in our Garden of Remembrance, their name can be included in the prayers on the anniversary of their death, and/or in the Book of Remembrance, by request from next of kin using this form: <https://llandaffcathedral.online/remembrance-form>

Join the Friends of Llandaff Cathedral – The Friends are an independent charity founded to provide invaluable support to the Cathedral's life; its fabric, music and heritage. Information about projects and membership can be found at www.llandafffriends.org.uk

The deadline for submissions for the Weekly Notes is 9am on Thursday each week.

Please send any notices to admin@llandaffcathedral.org.uk

THE WEEKLY PRAYER INTENTIONS

Those who are currently sick and have asked for prayer:

Carolyn Jenkins, Huw James, Charles & Alison Lewis, Octavia Allen-Davies, Philip Morris, Girija Teli, Paul Madley, Val Hopkins, Nicky James, Johanna Foley, Rad Paprzycki

Those for whom we wish to pray, including those who are housebound and those whose need for prayer is long-term, among them:

Beryl Baldwin, Sid Baldwin, Megan Pugh, Bettie Williams

Those who have died recently: Dafydd Elis-Thomas, Fiona Sarah Curteis

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

23rd February John Swindale Nixon

24th February Anthony Gwynne Jenkins, Esther Elizabeth Poole-Hughes

25th February Geoffrey Arthur William Brock, David Alan James Duggan, Lilian Hughes, Nancy Rosa Gibbon

26th February Norman Cunningham

27th February Vivian Thomas, Carol Morfydd Powell

28th February Bert Smith, Alice Maud Grizelle, Rowena Davies, Roger Francis Cockbill, Joy James

1st March Pablo Goetz

The Cycle of Prayer for this week in the Anglican Communion, this Diocese and in the Cathedral Community:

Sunday The Anglican Church of Brazil | Ministry Area of Cynon Valley South
Llandaff Cathedral Choral Society

Monday The Diocese of Madras (South India) | Cynon Uchaf Ministry Area
Cathedral Kids Toddler Group

Tuesday The Diocese of Madurai-Ramnad (South India) | Bridgend Deanery
Llandaff Cathedral Festival

Wednesday The Diocese of Magwi (South Sudan) | Llynfi & Upper Afan Valleys Ministry Area
The Dean & Residentiary Canons

Thursday The Diocese of Mahajanga (Indian Ocean) | Penybont ar Ogwr Ministry Area
Sunday Refreshment Teams

Friday The Diocese of Maiduguri (Nigeria) | Margam Ministry Area
Altar Servers

Saturday The Diocese of Maine (The Episcopal Church) | Cardiff Deanery
Welcomers & Guides

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Monday 24 February	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Tuesday 25 February	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	9.30am	Holy Eucharist
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Wednesday 26 February	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Thursday 27 February <i>George Herbert & all Pastors</i>	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	9.30am	Cymun Bendigaid
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Friday 28 February	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	5.30pm	Choral Evensong
Saturday 1 March <i>David, Bishop of St Davids & Patron of Wales</i>	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday 2 March <i>The Sunday before Lent</i> <i>Transfiguration Sunday</i>	8.00am	Holy Eucharist [1984]
	9.00am	Holy Eucharist
	11.00am	Choral Eucharist
	4.00pm	Choral Evensong

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