

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Isaiah (65.1-9)

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am', to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, 'Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.' These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the Lord: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it', so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22. 19-28

19 Be not far from / me, O / Lord: you are my / strength; / hasten to / help me.

20 Deliver my soul / from the / sword: my poor life / from the / power of the / dog.

21 Save me from the / lion's / mouth: from the horns of wild oxen. / You have / answered / me!

22 I will tell of your / name to my / people: in the midst of the congre/gation / will I / praise you.

23 Praise the Lord, / you that / fear him: O seed of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of / him, O / seed of / Israel.

24 For he has not despised nor abhorred the suffering of the poor; neither has he hidden his / face / from them: but when they / cried to / him he / heard them.

25 From you comes my praise in the great / congre/gation: I will perform my vows * in the / presence of / those that / fear you.

26 The poor shall eat / and be / satisfied: those who seek the Lord shall praise him; their / hearts shall / live for / ever.

27 All the ends of the earth shall remember and / turn to the / Lord: and all the families of the / nations shall / bow be/fore him.

28 For the kingdom / is the / Lord's: and he / rules / over the / nations.

A reading from Galatians (3.23-29)

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

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Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke (8.26-39)

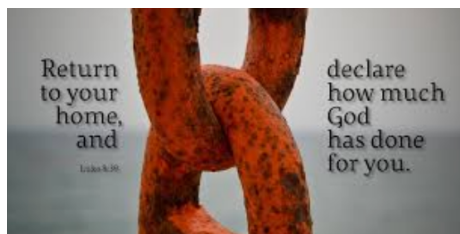
Glory to you, O Lord.

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' – for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

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22nd June 2025 - Trinity 1

HYMNS AT OUR CHORAL EUCHARIST : 76 , 122 , 39 , 522

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| TODAY | 8.30 am | Holy Eucharist (All Saints) |
| | 10.00 am | Choral Eucharist (All Saints) - followed by tea / coffee |
| | 11.45 am | Baptism (All Saints) |
| | 5.30 pm | Cytun Service in Holy Cross (see notes below) all welcome |
| TUESDAY | 10.30 am | Chat a Coffi - all welcome / Croeso i bawb. |
| | 2.00 pm | Norton Craft Group - all welcome |
| WEDNESDAY | 10.30 am | Holy Eucharist |
| | | followed by refreshments |
| | 2.00pm | Bible study/prayer group (church rooms) |
| | 6.00 pm | Joyful Noise (junior Choir) - all children very welcome |
| | 7.00 pm | Adult choir practice - all welcome - come and join us. |
| THURSDAY | 10.30 am | Coffee & Catch up (Norton) |
| | 1.30 pm | Church and Grounds working group |
| SATURDAY | 2.00 pm | Ordination Service at Brecon Cathedral - for those going on the bus please see the notes |
| NEXT SUNDAY | | 29th June - St. Peter and Paul |
| | 8.30 am | Holy Eucharist (All Saints) |
| | 10.00 am | Choral Eucharist (All Saints) - followed by tea / coffee |

Pastoral Visiting : please let me know of those in need of visiting at home or in hospital - especially this time of year when so many are taking holidays, It is very hard to try and keep track of everyone and I want to do my best to ensure no-one is overlooked.

Thank you : to Fr. Robert who is leading the services this week.

Coffee Morning with Cor Ty Tawe providing entertainment : Saturday 12th July 10.30-11.30 in the Lower Church Rooms. Please try and support. No tickets needed - coffee / cake can be bought on the day. If you can help out or are able to make cakes to sell we would be very grateful.

Ordination service : in Brecon Cathedral next Saturday at 2 p.m. We pray for Str. Sonia and all being ordained this Petertide. **For those travelling to the service on the Ministry Area bus. Can you please pay your £10 to Stuart as soon as possible. The bus will leave St. Peter's at 11.45 , All Saints at 11.50 and Holy Cross at midday. It is aiming to arrive at the cathedral by 1.30 in time for the service at 2 . It is advised that you take a picnic lunch with you as there will not be stops on the way or return journey.**

PLEASE NOTE : due to Ironman taking place on **Sunday 13th July** the service times will be slightly different for that week only : 8.30 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Book of common prayer) as usual and then at **11 a.m.** our Choral Eucharist in All Saints. Can you please let people know if they are not in church or do take spare copies of this bulletin to pass on.

Concerts : rather than holding a Music Festival this year we are holding a series of concerts / events throughout the year to raise funds for the church. One of these will be on **Friday 25th July at 7 p.m.** with a concert given by the **Morrison RFC Male Voice choir. Tickets are now available. Please help to sell as many as you can - if everyone can sell 2 it will make a HUGE difference !**

Concerts : Wednesday 2nd July at 6 p.m. in All Saints with Côr Ysgol Llwynderw and Dunvant Male Choir. See poster for details of tickets. **Monday 7th July at 7.30 pm** Swansea Philharmonia Orchestra Summer concert - see posters for details.

The Mumbles Churches Together (Cytun) : this afternoon we are holding this year's Ecumenical Service in Holy Cross Church. Tea/coffee and cakes from 4.00pm, followed by the Service at 5.30. The theme is *the Word of God*, based on the 1700th anniversary of the writing of the Nicene Creed. Tickets are £5.