

# Wales Tales

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## FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parish Family and Friends:

It has been too long since my last letter to you with Christmas, New Year's, Epiphany, and the Annual Parish Meeting falling at this time of the year in addition to the snow on Christmas Eve which had a huge impact in the schedule of many who were planning on attending one of the Christmas Eve liturgies, however, due to the weather, could not negotiate the travel to and from church. Please know that our numbers were quite good for the 5:00 p.m. liturgy with the children's pageant included, however, we were down at the traditional "Midnight Mass" at 11:00 p.m., having about 58 in attendance while most churches cancelled their late liturgy. I want to thank all those who braved the elements on both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day this past December as too many folks must have sung, "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas." All in all, God was glorified by a thankful band of Christians who could better sympathize with our brothers and sisters who live in a much colder climate than North Texas.

Christmas and Epiphany are two of the Principal Feasts of the Church to remind us all of the importance of the Incarnation. God made man. *"Thou didst make him for a little while lower than the angels, thou hast crowned him with glory and honor..."* Hebrews 2:7. Quite often at Christmas, the world confuses angels with human beings; however, the teaching of the Church is that angels and archangels are separate orders of creation. Angels don't become human and humans cannot become angels. Angels are agents of God and do His bidding, quite often as messengers, as we find in Holy Scripture.

And now we find ourselves approaching very quickly, our Lenten Journey of Faith with Ash Wednesday, February 17. It is a traditional teaching of the Church that we are asked to keep two days on our calendar to fast; Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, the first and last day of Lent. Why do we fast as Christians? We fast to make more room inside ourselves for our Lord to take up residence and occupy as the world presses in on us. With less of us and world and the more of Jesus we can manage, the more we become like Him as we use the time we have saved with a creature comfort to focus and center ourselves on the sacrifice made by Jesus for each of us. If you have not participated in a spiritual fast before and would like to try to have less of the world and more of Jesus in your life, you might want to give it a try this year as it is an important discipline that the Church has practiced from it's beginning.

In this edition of the Wales Tales you will find several different opportunities to engage in the forty days of Lent which is the most penitential of our Church seasons. Bible study, Tuesday evening speaker series, weekday celebrations of the Holy Eucharist, Christian Education on Sundays, spiritual reading, Stations of the Cross and the daily offices are only a few ways to add a spiritual discipline to your spiritual life this Lent. Members have said how much richer and fuller their Easter celebration was when they took the effort to engage in a Holy Lent. In the Name of the Church, I invite you and your family to journey with us this season to stretch ourselves spiritually to a deeper relationship with our Lord and His Bride the Church.

See you in church!

Faithfully,

Canon H.W. Herrmann, SSC, VI Rector

Haitian Relief—We would like to report to all of you that Saint David's raised over \$1,800.00 for Haitian Relief in January. This money has been sent to The Anglican Relief and Development Fund.

**Thursday Evening Bible Study**—resumes throughout Lent beginning each Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the library. You may join us once or each and every week and you are always welcome. We are studying the Book of Revelation and concentrating on William Barclay's commentary. Come join us for Lent or longer!

Annual Parish Meeting Election Results—The following were elected at the 2010 Annual Parish Meeting held this past Sunday, January 31, 2010:

Vestry (3 year terms)—Dave Mays, John Siegmund and Judy Johnston.

Diocesan Convention Delegates—Jolayne LaCour, Vern Bassett, Pete Bradbury and Jan Rousey. First alternate is Lindsay Keffer.

Vestry Officers for 2010—Sr. Warden, David Williamson; Jr. Warden, Dave Mays; Treasurer, Jan Rousey; and clerk, John Andrews.

We want to thank all those who allowed their names to be placed in nomination for these positions of leadership in our parish. A big thank you also for the fine coordination of the brunch goes out to Esther Andrews and her hardworking crew of folks and all who donated food for our delicious brunch. Thank you one and all. Also, receiving the Saint David of Wales Award for Mission and Ministry was Mr. Jan Rousey, treasurer and vestry member who was active in many aspects of our parish life together. Congratulations, Jan.

### Lenten Dinner and Lecture Series

"but the people would not receive Him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem." Luke 9:53

Each Tuesday evening during Lent, a guest speaker will present a concise overview of the above passage from Saint Luke's Gospel of how to set our faces to receive Jesus throughout Lent. The evening will begin at 6:00 p.m. with Stations of the Cross, followed by a soup and bread Lenten meal (freewill offering) and then the speaker will make his presentation for twenty minutes, followed by a period of questions and discussion by those present. Each evening will end by 7:30 p.m. and a nursery will be provided, beginning at 6:00 p.m. A sign up sheet to provide three soups and bread each Tuesday will be posted for your participation. Come and join us this Lent as we journey together during these 40 days as we seek the one, true, living God made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Come and bring a friend or two.

Tuesday, February 23: Father John Munson, Saint Lawrence Church, Southlake, Texas

Tuesday, March 2: Bishop K.L. Ackerman, SSC, VIII Bishop of Quincy, Keller, Texas

Tuesday, March 9: Father Chuck Hough, IV, SSC, Saint Paul's Church, Gainesville, Texas

Tuesday, March 16: Father Michael Gilton, Saint Paul's Church, Prosper, Texas

Tuesday, March 23: Father Chad Nusbaum, SSC, Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Arlington, Texas

"The Harvest of God"—is the name of our every member canvass this year. We invite your participation by returning a completed pledge card to the parish office, if you have not already done so. Pledge cards are available on the table in the narthex or through the parish office.

## Christian Education

Christian Education—Sunday School is meeting at 9:15 a.m. in the Chapel. We will be giving each family a Lenten Calendar which each family is encouraged to discuss with their children. We will also be giving each family a collection box [Mite box]. We are asking our children to remember others by giving money from their allowances or jobs. The money which is being collected will be given to the Anglican relief fund which is going to Haiti. We encourage all our families to bring their children and participate in Sunday School.

## Ministries and Organizations

Daughters of the King—The Daughters of the King completed fall training and installed 3 new members, Hazel Pena, Autumn Rainey and Kelly Weathers, at the 8:00 a.m. service on January 10. We will start meeting the 2nd Saturday of the month in March. I have invited a friend to speak on Quiet Time for the April 10 meeting. Our banner is in Denton and being finished. What I saw was incredibly well done and I think we will be pleased when it is done.

Youth of Saint David's—the YOSD will meet on Sunday, February 21 following the 10:30 a.m. liturgy for a movie day and a teaching on prayer from Canon Herrmann. On that day the youth should pack a brown bag lunch. For more information, please call Scott and Jeanie Porter at 940.387.5513 or Autumn Rainey at 940.566.0409.

Soldier's Angels—Our youth group is putting together a package for a soldier each month; below is a list of some items that would work great for his care package. You may send them with your child to our youth group meetings, or leave them in the box in the parish hall. Thank you for all of your support and help as we work to involve your youth in a worthwhile cause. Blankets, Phone Cards, Slippers, Cards and letters of encouragement, T-Shirts(solid gray or black), Lounge pajamas, Hand held games, Snacks, Chapstick, Personal hygiene items, Lotions, Backpacks, Bug repellent, Magazines, CD Players, CD's and DVD's, and Gift cards to Walmart, Target, etc.

New Brownie Troop—A new Brownie Troop has formed and will be meeting every other Tuesday from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. The troop has girls from Community school and Woodrow Wilson and is open to any second and third grade girls that live in Denton. *A lot of troop money is earned through Girl Scout cookie sales but since we are starting so late this year we are not selling cookies.* So this means we are fully dependant on our troop dues to fund supplies for our meeting, earned Try It, and other stuff troop related. We have set the dues for \$40 for the rest of this Girl Scout troop year ending in May. You have a choice of three payment options: Option 1, pay all at once. Option 2, pay in two payments of \$20 each. Option 3, pay monthly \$10 per month. Broken down the dues are \$5.00 a meeting which is a good rate and hopefully can carry us through the years. If there is any money left over it will be carried over to our next Girl Scout year. You will be informed of our troop money status.

Our troop is going to work on the 3 keys to Girl Scout leadership by working through a Brownie Quest book. We are going to work on earning Try IT(badges), go on field trips, and do some service works. Bottom line we want the girls to take what they learn in Girls Scouts back into the world and give of themselves in their own special ways.

The Girl Scout Mission: "Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place!"

For more information please contact me: The Troop Leader: Barbara Willis HM: 940-565-9629 Cell 940-765-7058, e-mail [sunfish63@verizon.net](mailto:sunfish63@verizon.net)

# Saint of the Month

## Bridget, Abbess of Kildare, February 1

Bridget (Brigid, Bride, Bridey) of Kildare was born around 450 into a Druid family, being the daughter of Dubhthach, court poet to King Loeghaire.

At an early age, she decided to become a Christian, and she eventually took vows as a nun. Together with a group of other women, she established a nunnery at Kildare. She was later joined by a community of monks led by Conlaed.

Kildare had formerly been a pagan shrine where a sacred fire was kept perpetually burning, and Bridget and her nuns, instead of stamping out the fire, kept it going but gave it a Christian interpretation. (This was in keeping with the general process whereby Druidism in Ireland gave way to Christianity with very little opposition, the Druids for the most part saying that their own beliefs were a partial and tentative insight into the nature of God, and that they recognized in Christianity what they had been looking for.)

Bridget as an abbess participated in several Irish councils, and her influence on the policies of the Church in Ireland was considerable.

Many stories of her younger days deal with her generosity toward the needy. This aspect of her character has been the subject of a poem "The Giveaway":

Saint Bridget was  
A problem child.  
Although a lass  
Demure and mild,  
And one who strove  
To please her dad,  
Saint Bridget drove  
The family mad.  
For here's the fault in Bridget lay:  
She Would give everything away.

## Parish Register

Baptisms—Congratulations to the Jones-Duffey family on the baptism of Aled Jones-Duffey; to the Jones family on the baptism of Evan Jones; to the Mohelnitzky and Marchand families on the baptism of Gabrielle and Griffin Marchand.

New Members—Please welcome Wayne and Joyce Jones-Duffey who has transferred to Saint David's from Apostles in Coppell. Wayne and Joyce have two children, Aled and Rhys. Rhys has joined our Acolyte teams. Please make them welcome.

For the Faithful Departed—Harold Johnston; Joe Siegmund; Vicki McCombs; and all Haitian victims.

For the Bereaved—the Young family; the Johnston family; the Siegmund family.

Our Prayers and Best Wishes to those celebrating a birthday or anniversary in February!

### Anniversaries

2/2 James and Sheila Baird	2/14 Scott and Rebecca Greenman
2/9 Preston and Norma Curry	2/16 Mike and Rena Sutphin
2/11 Bill and Betty De Berry	2/18 Harper and Lori Carr

### Birthdays

2/4 April MacKenzie	2/15 Andy Odom	2/27 Esther Andrews
Bunny Marcotte	Sheri Sager	Stephanie Oliver
2/5 Wendy Bussell	Ethan Stone	2/28 David Nichols
Murray Ricks	2/16 Kenna Giffin	2/29 Jim Brown
2/6 John Czerw	2/17 Sam Prater	
Lee Hitch	2/19 Ken Bahnsen	
2/7 Thomas Reidy	2/20 Dante Clements	
Holly Robinson	2/22 Jim Ivins	
2/8 Ruth McAdams	William White	
Barbara Reese	2/23 Amanda Kirkpatrick	
2/9 Tristan Palmer	2/25 Elisa Hitch	
Marshall Connor	Mary Nan Wehrung	
2/11 Mark Oliver	Melissa Sims	
Ann Poinier	Anna Gambrell	
Cason White	2/26 Cindy Roberts	

### Financial Report from Treasurer, Jan Rousey:

	January Actual	January Budget	2010 Actual	2010 Budget
Income	\$25, 115	\$26, 047	\$25, 115	\$312, 603
Expense	\$28, 351	\$27, 682	\$28, 351	\$332, 259

Dear Parishioners:

After much hard work and prayer, the Vestry has approved a budget for 2010. The budget projects revenues of \$312,603 and expenses of \$332,259. This deficit of approximately \$20,000 will be monitored by the Vestry throughout the year with the goal of reducing, or even eliminating, the shortfall. Various fundraising ideas are being explored by the Vestry. Some expense reductions have already been implemented and others are still being considered by the Vestry. Based on the response to the Stewardship Campaign we are projecting a reduction in pledge giving in 2010 from that in 2009. Together, we as a parish can do our part by keeping our pledge giving as up to date as possible. And if you feel particularly blessed and moved by the Holy Spirit, increasing your giving will go a long way in assuring that the current level of parish life at Saint David of Wales is not reduced. I thank you all for your pledge giving. Please keep the financial health of Saint David of Wales in your prayers.

Jan E. Rousey  
Treasurer

# MINISTRY SCHEDULE

February 2010

	Feb 21	Feb 28	March 7
<u>Ushers</u>			
8:00 a.m.	Touraine	Rousey	Miller
10:30 a.m.	Ridout Hundley	Odom Mays	Odom Baird
<u>Altar Guild</u>			
	Team III	Team IV	Team I
<u>LEM's</u>			
8:00 a.m.	B. Rainey	Sanders	
10:30 a.m.	Williamson Seatvet	Kensingler Johnston	
5:00 p.m.	LaCour	Hodges	
Lenten Stations of the Cross-February 23		Giffin	
<u>Acolytes</u>			
	Team III I. Fisher T. Strecker M. Connor	Team IV T. Wright D. Bussell K. Stafki	Team I W. Strecker C. Ridout R. Jones-Duffey
<u>Hospitality</u>			
8:00 a.m.	Touraine Rousey	Johnson Reese	Ballantine Weathers
10:30 a.m.	Hundley Bussell	Nichols McMillen	Ridout Andrews
<u>Golden Nook</u>			
8:00 a.m.	Fisher	Touraine	Miller
10:30 a.m.	Sidor	Odom	Clifford
5:00 p.m.	Carrico	Carrico	Carrico
<u>Vestry Greeters</u>			
8:00 a.m.	Keffer	Pickens	Touraine
10:30 a.m.	Mays	Johnston	Williamson

## **FEBRUARY SUNDAY LECTIONARY**

February 21 I Lent	Old Testament: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91: 9-15; Epistle: Romans 10:5-13; Gospel: Luke 4: 1-13
February 28 II Lent	Old Testament: Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27: 10-18; Epistle: Philippians 3: 17-4:1; Gospel: Luke 13: 22-35

# February 2010

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	<b>1</b> <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Inquirer's Class  <i>Brigid of Kildare</i>	<b>2</b>  <i>The Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ</i>	<b>3</b> <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Healing Liturgy and HE Rite II	<b>4</b> 9:30 Morning Prayer, HE Rite I  <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Adult Bible Study  <i>Cornelius the Centurion</i>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> 8:00 HE Rite I 9:15 Christian Ed 10:30 HE Rite II 12:45 Youth Group 5:00 p.m. HE Rite II <i>V Epiphany</i>	<b>8</b> <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Inquirer's Class	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Healing Liturgy and HE Rite II	<b>11</b> 9:30 Morning Prayer, HE Rite I  <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Adult Bible Study	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 8:00 HE Rite I 9:15 Christian Ed 10:30 HE Rite II 5:00 p.m. HE Rite II  <i>VI Epiphany</i>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <u>5:00 p.m.</u> Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper	<b>17</b> 6:30 HE Rite I 12:10 p.m. HE Rite I 6:30 p.m. HE Rite I  <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<b>18</b> 9:30 Morning Prayer, HE Rite I 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study  <i>Martin Luther</i>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 11:00 Canterbury Pancake Lunch
<b>21</b> 8:00 HE Rite I 9:15 Christian Ed 10:30 HE Rite I 5:00 p.m. HE Rite I  <i>I Lent</i>	<b>22</b> <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Inquirer's Class	<b>23</b> <u>6:00 p.m.</u> Lenten Dinner and Lecture Series  <i>Polycarp of Smyrna</i>	<b>24</b> <u>6:30 p.m.</u> Healing Liturgy and HE Rite II  <i>Saint Matthias</i>	<b>25</b> 9:30 Morning Prayer, HE Rite I 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 8:00 HE Rite I 9:15 Christian Ed 10:30 HE Rite I 5:00 p.m. HE Rite I  <i>II Lent</i>						

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### The Staff of Saint David's

The Reverend Canon H.W. Herrmann, SSC, Rector  
The Reverend Father Esteban Saucedo, Retired, Assisting  
The Reverend Father Lloyd Seatvet, Retired, Assisting  
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Kenna Giffin, Evening Organist  
Leslie Latham, Coordinator of Children's Christian Education  
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Cathy Harazda, Nursery Supervisor  
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### The Vestry of Saint David's

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### Weekly Worship and Bible Study Schedule

#### Sunday

8:00 a.m. \*Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
9:15 a.m. Christian Education (Adults and Children)  
10:30 a.m. \*Holy Eucharist, Rite I (During Lent)  
Children's Chapel  
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I (During Lent)  
*\*A nursery is provided for all children to age 5.*

#### Monday-Thursday

7:00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
Wednesday  
6:30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Healing Liturgy, Rite II  
Thursday  
9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist, Rite I

### Mid-Week Bible Studies

#### Thursday

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

\*\*\*Confessions are heard by appointment