

24th August 2025 – St. Bartholomew, Apostle

9.30am Holy Eucharist at St. Martin's
10.00am Holy Eucharist at St Basil's
10.00am Holy Eucharist at St John's Risca Road
10.45am Holy Eucharist at St. Thomas's
10.45am Holy Eucharist at St. John's Rogerstone

FOR YOUR PRAYERS - ANNIVERSARIES

St. Basil and St. Anne : Ronald Carpenter, Peter Hollidge, Edward Illingworth, Ray Coslett, Lynne Hoban, Percy Jones, Sidney Harris, Jeanette Pullin, George Henderson, Louise Pugh, Brian Sullivan, George Jones, Nancy Wheeler, Ron Fletcher, William Hodgkinson, Len Colman, Dorothy Peck, Lilian Crutchley, Herbert Grace
St. John : John Bigham, Rose Pugh, Anne Harvey, Hannah Evans,
St. Martin : Anne Clemett
St. Thomas : Jean Fisher, Gwyn Cooke

TPMA100 Club The August draw will be on 31st August at St. Thomas's Church.

Eco Church help Calling all Eco church and wildlife enthusiasts! We need volunteers to help with a wildlife garden in St Thomas, can you dig, plant, help with clearing the site, refreshments, support for schools and scout visits? Whether you can offer an hour, a day or a week, any help you can offer is welcome. Sign up sheet is at the back of Church.

Morning Prayer Morning Prayer is taking a break for the summer and will resume on Monday 1st September.

Messy Church Messy Church will next be meeting at St. Martin's on Sunday 7th September from 3pm till 5pm, which will end with a light tea. Please come along for a fun filled afternoon.

Monday Coffee Morning The free weekly coffee morning at St. Martin's will be resuming on September 8th from 9am till 10am. All welcome to pop in for a drink and biscuits, cake or toast!



Rector Rev Chris Stone 01633 378354

chrisstone@cinw.org.uk

Pioneer Vicar Rev Bronwen Summers 07701013049
BronwenSummers@cinw.org.uk

Assistant Curate Rev Julia Durham – 07761894175
juliadurham@cinw.org.uk

Assistant Curate Rev Glen Wilkins - 07868 638910
glenwilkins@cinw.org.uk

MA Administrator Teresa Carver
teresacarver@cinw.org.uk

Website <https://tredegarparkma.wixsite.com/tpma>

17th August 2025 – Ninth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Holy Eucharist at St. Martin's
10.00am Holy Eucharist at St Basil's
10.00am Holy Eucharist at St John's Risca Road
10.45am Holy Eucharist at St. Thomas's
10.45am Holy Eucharist at St. John's Rogerstone

Midweek Eucharists

Monday – 7pm St. Basil's Bassaleg

Tuesday – 10.30am St. John's Rogerstone

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 17TH AUGUST

The Collect

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Jeremiah 23:23-29 (REB)

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

These are the words of the LORD of Hosts: Am I a God near at hand only, not a God when far away? Can anyone hide in some secret place and I not see him? Do I not fill heaven and earth? This is the word of the LORD. I have heard what the prophets say, the prophets who speak lies in my name; they cry "I have had a dream, I have had a dream!" How much longer will these prophets be minded to prophesy lies and give voice to their own inventions? By these dreams which they tell one another they think they will make people forget my name, just as their fathers forgot my name for the name of Baal. If a prophet has a dream, let him tell his dream; if he has my word, let him speak my word faithfully. Chaff and grain are quite distinct, says the LORD. Are not my words like fire, says the LORD; are they not like a hammer that shatters rock?

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

The Psalm

82

**God stands in the great assembly,
judging gods who gather there:
"How long will you clear the wicked
with the judgements you declare?**

**Vindicate the weak and orphans,
and the rights of those oppressed.
Save the weak, support the needy;
from the wicked give them rest."**

**They are void of understanding;
no right judgement can they make.
On they walk in utter darkness;
all of earth's foundations shake.**

**"You are gods," - so I addressed them -
"you are sons of God Most High.
But like mortal men you'll perish,
and like other rulers die."**

**Rise, O God, and come in judgement;
justice for the earth command,
for you hold as your possession
every race and every land.**

The Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (GNB)

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

It was faith that made the Israelites able to cross the Red Sea as if on dry land; when the Egyptians tried to do it, the water swallowed them up. It was faith that

made the walls of Jericho fall down after the Israelites had marched round them for seven days. It was faith that kept the prostitute Rahab from being killed with those who disobeyed God, for she gave the Israelite spies a friendly welcome. Should I go on? There isn't enough time for me to speak of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel and the prophets. Through faith they fought whole countries and won. They did what was right and received what God had promised. They shut the mouths of lions, put out fierce fires, escaped being killed by the sword. They were weak, but became strong; they were mighty in battle and defeated the armies of foreigners. Through faith women received their dead relatives raised back to life. Others, refusing to accept freedom, died under torture in order to be raised to a better life. Some were mocked and whipped, and others were put in chains and taken off to prison. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword. They went round clothed in skins of sheep or goats - poor, persecuted, and ill-treated. The world was not good enough for them! They wandered like refugees in the deserts and hills, living in caves and holes in the ground. What a record all of these have won by their faith! Yet they did not receive what God had promised, because God had decided on an even better plan for us. His purpose was that only in company with us would they be made perfect. As for us, we have this great crowd of witnesses round us. So then, let us rid ourselves of everything that gets in the way, and of the sin that holds on to us so tightly, and let us run with determination the race that lies before us. Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end. He did not give up because of the cross! On the contrary, because of the joy that was waiting for him, he thought nothing of the disgrace of dying on the cross, and he is now seated at the right-hand side of God's throne.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**

I am the way, the truth, and the life, / says the / Lord.

No one comes to the Father except through / me. **Alleluia!**

The Gospel Reading

Luke 12:49-56 (TNIV)

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division. From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He said to the crowd: "When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, 'It's going to rain,' and it does. And when the south wind blows, you say, 'It's going to be hot,' and it is. Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don't know how to interpret this present time?"

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