

St Joseph's Parish Newsletter

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A Parish of the Archdiocese of Cardiff. A Registered Charity (No. 242380). Served by Rosminians
Safeguarding Representative – Rhys James – 07826 847726

4th – 12th February 2012

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Cycle B)

Mass Intentions/Church Meetings	
Sat 4th February 9.15 am 12 noon – 1 pm 6 pm	Service of the Word and Communion (Eucharistic Service) Sacrament of Reconciliation May & Raymond Power RIP
Sun 5th Feb 9.15 am 11 am 3 pm	5 th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Cycle B – Education Sunday Mary O'Connor All Parishioners Mass for Indian Community
Mon 6th Feb 9.15 am 7.30 pm	St Paul Miki and Companions Daniel O'Brien RIP UCM
Tues 7th Feb 9.15 am After Mass 6 – 7.30 pm	Holy Souls Church Cleaning – all welcome BLAST! – Meeting Room
Wed 8th Feb 9.15 am 9.40 am – 6 pm 7 pm	Michael Conory RIP Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Thanksgiving Mass – Allyson Thomas
Thurs 9th Feb 9.15 am 7 pm 8 pm	Holy Souls Carpenter's Club – Meeting Room Bible Study – Lady Chapel – all welcome
Fri 10th Feb 9.15 am	St Scholastica Ellen & James Mahoney RIP
Sat 11th Feb 9.15 am 12 noon – 1 pm 6 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes (World Day of Prayer for the Sick) Service of the Word and Communion (Eucharistic Service) Sacrament of Reconciliation Mary Margerison RIP
Sun 12th Feb 9.15 am 11 am	6 th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Cycle B All Parishioners Christopher Whelan RIP

Please pray for those who have died recently:

Mrs Joyce Brown (mother of Fr Adrian Wiltshire),
Fr John Whelton IC

And those who are ill: Sarah Andrews,
Sheila Jenkins, Pam Deane, Paul Costigan, Pat Rickard,
Elin Waite, Christopher Aston, Pat Duddridge, Paul Evans,
Maria Khan, Janet Hayward



CHURCH CLEANING
Tuesday 7th February after Mass
ALL HELPERS MOST WELCOME
Please come along if you can
NEW RECRUITS NEEDED URGENTLY

CHURCH OFFERING

Last week's collection – £781.20 thank you for your generosity.
There were 381 Parishioners present last weekend
SPUC Appeal - £422.85

DIARY DATES 2012			
WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	
FEBRUARY 2012			
Tuesday 21 st	7.30 pm	Music and Merlot Evening	Meeting Room
MARCH 2012			
Saturday 3 rd Sunday 4 th	After all Masses	Fairtrade Sale	Back of Church
Wednesday 14 th	7.30 pm	One World Group	Meeting Room
Monday 19 th Feast of St Joseph	7.40 pm After Mass	CHEESE AND WINE	Meeting Room

MASS OF THANKSGIVING – All welcome

Mrs Allyson Thomas, whom has been a teacher at the school for the past 19 years, is moving to a senior post at St Mary's after half-term.

To celebrate her outstanding service & commitment to our school there will be a special celebration Mass in Church at 7 pm on **Wednesday 8th February**.

Followed by Cheese and Wine in the Meeting Room.

You are most welcome to attend.

Music and Merlot

Tuesday 21st February 2012

7.30 pm



Tickets priced £2.50 will be available after all weekend Masses from next weekend
Proceeds will go to CAFOD

Anyone can come along and sing, recite a poem, play an instrument etc – if you think you might be able to perform at this **please let Deacon Mark Howe know** – or if you are unsure have a word with him.

For those who are unsure what this involves, it is a chance for anyone to sing, recite a poem or any other 'party piece' item whilst those present enjoy a pleasant evening with good company, nibbles and a glass of wine (or soft drink).

If however you don't wish to perform then just come along and enjoy the evening – most people prefer this!



Cheese and Wine Evening

To be held on the Feast of St Joseph

Monday 19th March 2012

after evening Mass

Tickets priced at £3.50 will be available shortly.

CARPENTER'S CLUB (Children's Liturgy)

The Carpenter's club is meeting in the Sr Teresa Meeting room next Thursday 9th Feb at 7pm.

New volunteers welcome or come along to find out what is involved.

Any queries contact Anne Lewis on 07928 814646

St Joseph's SVP

The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank Bernard Deere and the parish 'Welcomers' Group who recently held a social evening and raised £118.80 for the SVP. Many thanks for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Parish Mission

The Sion Community will preach missions in the three parishes of St Joseph, St Peter and St Alban next year to celebrate the anniversaries of the parishes. Although the mission is after the anniversary date, the Sion Community is fully booked until 2013. So next year the parishes and the parish primary schools will each have a spiritual Mission.

Corpus Christi and Picnic in the Park

The Parish council is exploring the date of Corpus Christi, June 10th, for a eucharistic worship in the grounds of Cardiff Castle.

The Bereavement group

reported to the Parish Council that they have had a great 18 months and although they have not met with many parishioners, those who have met with them have been very satisfied. They will now meet monthly in the Hall and still offer their services via phone and email.

Catholic People – February issue now available

Local interest this month:

Bernard Deere receiving 50 year scroll - Catenians.
Paul Harrington reviews "Catholic Voices; Putting the Case for The Church in an era of 24-hour news" by Austen Ivereigh and Kathleen Griffin.

Please take a FREE copy from the back of Church

HCPT The Pilgrimage Trust – Hosanna House

are holding a Charity Evening – *Fun at the Races*

On **Friday 10th February – 7.15 pm for 7.45 pm**

Tickets - £12 which includes a hot buffet!

All proceeds in aid of HCPT Group 547

Contact Bill or Mo Morris – 20611241 m.morris272@btinternet.com

Veronica Clow – 20227768

Ecumenical Taize Service

There will be a Taize Service on Sunday 5th February, 7pm at Saint Andrew & Saint Teilo's Church (Church in Wales), Woodville Road. All welcome

The Deanery Pastoral Companions are inviting all caregivers to a Quiet Day for Carers.

"Because you're worth it!" will be held on **Saturday 18th February 2012** at St Mary's Catholic Church, Bridgend **from 11am to 3pm**, lunch provided.

contact Elizabeth Hughes on 01446 774212 or elizabethhughes@btinternet.com.

Wild West Charity Night

organized by Cardiff Catenians

Saturday 18th February at 7.30 pm.

St Peter's Hall, off City Road, Cardiff..

The evening will include a Barn Dance/Ceilidh with live music provided by Pluck and Squeeze, hot food and all are expected to dress appropriately!

All profits to Crossroads Care and the Princess Royal Trust Carers Centre.

Entry by ticket only, £18 from Peter Sullivan 20490641.

New Professional Early Music Ensemble, Cambrian Consort

give their inaugural performance "Music for Lent and Passiontide" on **Friday 24th February** at 7.30 pm. at Llandaff Cathedral.

Presented by Elin Manahan Thomas.

Tickets £20 03700-101051.

The RCIA Rite of Election

will be held at St David's Cathedral on Sunday 26th February at 3.00pm. Matthew Rose from St Joseph's is preparing to be received into the Church this coming Easter at the Easter Vigil. Please come along and support him.

Deanery "Station Masses" During Lent

Beginning on Thursday 23rd February, the Archbishop will travel around the Deaneries during the forty days of Lent to conduct a series of "Station Masses" as a communal Lenten exercise for priest and people in the Diocese.

The "Station Mass" originated in Rome under the auspices of Pope Gregory the Great (590 – 604). They were conceived as a daily pilgrimage in the footsteps of the martyrs and saints. Pilgrims and penitents visited forty churches in Rome on foot and performed penitential exercises and celebrated Mass in each "stopping place" or "station". In doing so, they were also following the example of Jesus who went out into the desert and fasted for forty days and forty nights in preparation for his mission. It is this "journey" which forms the spiritual background to the forty days of Lent and the journey each of us has to make into the desert of our own hearts and lives.

Jesus was tempted by Satan to rely on worldly things and assume worldly power. The temptations faced by his followers are similar. During Lent we follow him in a special way as he makes his final journey to his passion and death at Jerusalem. In following his footsteps, in making our own journey of faith, we reject what is false and sinful. The ashes we put on our forehead remind us that we are dust and shall return to dust.

They also invite us to "Repent and believe in the gospel". Our Lenten penances, prayers, fasting, abstinence and works of charity are all expressions of our desire to follow in the footsteps of the Lord in dying to sin and rising to new life in Him.

The tradition of Lenten "Station Masses" was re-invigorated by Pope John XXIII in 1960 and has grown from strength to strength in the last fifty years. The dates and venues of these Masses in the Archdiocese of Cardiff are given below. Whilst it may be too much to walk from church to church in order to make this Lenten pilgrimage, we can all make the journey within to that dry place in our lives which needs nourishment, healing and forgiveness.

DATE	Venue and Deanery
FEBRUARY	
Thursday 23 rd February	St Helen's Caerphilly – 7 pm Pontypridd Deanery
Friday 24th February	St Brigid's – 7 pm Cardiff East Deanery
Monday 27 th February	Venue – TBA Newport Deanery
Tuesday 28 th	Belmont Abbey – 7 pm Herefordshire Deanery
Wed 29 th	Our Lady and St Michael, Abergavenny – 7 pm North Gwent Deanery
MARCH	
Friday 2 nd	Venue – TBA Cardiff West
Wed 7 th	St Mary's Bridgend – 7 pm Bridgend Deanery
Wed 14 th	St Mary's Brynmawr – 7 pm Heads of the Valleys Deanery

Please pick up a copy of all the groups in parish from the back of Church. If interested please speak to the relevant contact. (If unsure who they are speak to a member of the clergy).

Please note: if you would like something placed in the newsletter please make sure it is handed into the Presbytery by Thursday pm. Or you can e-mail it to saintjosephs@ntlworld.com or abibey@ntlworld.com

Quiet Day for Carers

Quiet Day for Carers entitled "**Because you're worth it!**" is on Saturday 18th February 2012 at St Mary's Catholic Church, Bridgend from 11 am to 3 pm (lunch provided). If you care for a relative, friend or parishioner and would like time for reflection in a prayerful setting with others in a similar situation, please contact Elizabeth Hughes on 01446 774212 or elizabethhughes@btinternet.com
To book your place.

CATHOLIC PARLIAMENTARY AND PUBLIC POLICY INTERNSHIPS

For the last nine years the Catholics Bishops Conference has organised Parliamentary and Public Policy Internships for recently graduated Catholics. This year we are looking to offer 8 internships: **Five interns will be placed with Christian MPs at Westminster; two in Public Policy with CAFOD and CARITAS Social Action Network; and one in a media internship at Archbishop's House Westminster.**

All internships will run from September 2012 - July 2013 and include accommodation and subsistence allowances.

Full details and an application form can be found on our website: <http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/interns>
Completed application forms must either be emailed to interns@cbcew.org.uk or posted to: Michaela Kelly, Head of HR, 39 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1BX. The closing date is 5pm on 29th February 2012 and Assessment days will be 28th and 29th March 2012.

If you know anyone who may be interested in this opportunity, please encourage them to apply.

HOSPITAL HOLY COMMUNIONS

If you know of any Catholic in the Heath (UHW) or West Wing hospitals who would like Holy Communion, please contact Bro Brian on 2074 3230 (this is preferable to leaving names at St Joseph's Presbytery). Please leave a message with any chaplain if he is not there, or, if requested, leave details on the answering machine.

Do you have time to spend as a volunteer in one of the Cardiff hospitals, assisting the chaplains with bed-to-bed visiting? There are 10 places on the next training course at the University Hospital of Wales, which will start on Wednesday 18th January in the Chaplaincy Centre. For further details please ring the Chaplaincy Department on 2074 3230 or email spiritual.careteam@wales.nhs.uk

HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are always needed to help in our local hospitals. You only have to be over 17 and there is no upper age limit. Could you spare 2-4 hours a week complementing and supporting the work of health care professionals? For further details please ring: 2033 6439 or email: jill.griffiths4@wales.nhs.uk

Heart Gives Unto Heart (HGUH) Catholic Internet Radio to be based at St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford

It is hoped that the radio will start broadcasting in the late Spring 2012. The facilities will include a recording and broadcasting studio and art exhibition space.

www.heartgivesuntoheart.co.uk

If you'd like to help or want further information, please call me on 07906 073376 or email gerrycoates@blueyonder.co.uk."

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An interesting website to look at!

Bishops' Conference Catholic faith enquiry website
www.catholicfaith.org.uk

Christianity and Science



With Revd John Weaver
Author of "Christianity and Science" and former principle of the South Wales Baptist College
From Galileo, Newton and Darwin to chance and design, the big bang, multiple universes, designer babies and evolution this eight week course will focus on the modern questions facing science today and ask how Christian theology responds to these developments and if indeed there is meaning after Science...
Begins on Monday 30th January, 7 pm for 8 weeks.
Fee: £30
at The Cardiff Adult Christian Education Centre,
City United Reformed Church, Windsor Place, Cardiff,
Tel/Fax: 029 2022 5190
www.cityurc.org.uk admin@cityurc.org.uk

Welcomers at St Josephs had a most enjoyable social evening organised by Bernard Deere and Brother Brian. With over 20 members attending it was an evening which other parish groups could also benefit from. Welcomers comprise the collectors at Mass, the greeters at the door and stewards at the back of the church.