



St Joseph's Parish Newsletter

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31st March – 15th April 2018
DOUBLE ISSUE

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
2nd Sunday of Eastertide – Divine Mercy Sunday

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

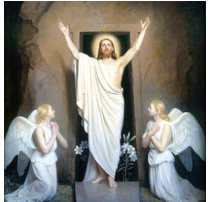
“The Resurrection of Our Saviour is the most solid foundation of our religion, since it proved beyond doubt that he was truly God.”
Blessed Antonio Rosmini (1797-1855)

Mass Intentions / Adoration / Sacraments	
Sat 31 st March 8 pm vigil 10.45 pm	EASTER VIGIL / All Parishioners <i>Easter Mass in Syro-Malabar Rite</i>
Sun 1 st April 9.15 am 11 am	EASTER SUNDAY <i>All Parishioners</i> <i>All Parishioners</i>
Monday 2 nd Apr 9.15 am	<i>Monday of the Octave of Easter</i> <i>Pat O'Shea RIP</i>
Tues 3 rd April 9.15 am	<i>Tuesday of the Octave of Easter</i> <i>Helen Cook & Gregory O'Shea</i>
Wed 4 th April 9.15 am	<i>Wednesday of the Octave of Easter</i> <i>Maunder Family RIP (Mary Maunder)</i>
Thurs 5 th April 9.15 am	<i>Thursday of the Octave of Easter</i> <i>Alan Capel RIP (K Capel)</i>
Fri 6 th April 9 am 9.15 am	<i>Friday of the Octave of Easter</i> <i>First Friday Benediction</i> <i>John Hackett RIP (K Capel)</i>
Sat 7 th April 9.15 am 12 – 12.45 pm 6 pm - VIGIL	<i>Saturday of the Octave of Easter</i> <i>Samuel Fitzgerald RIP (Marie, Ann, Robert)</i> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> <i>Chris Babu (Well-being) (Family)</i>
Sun 8 th April 9.15 am 11 am 12.30 pm	Divine Mercy Sunday <i>Catherine Keenan RIP (John Keenan)</i> <i>All Parishioners /</i> <i>Christopher Whelan RIP (Family)</i> <i>Baptism – Henry, Nell & Tilly Stevens</i>
Monday 9 th Apr 9.15 am 7.30 pm	The Annunciation of the Lord <i>Faithful Departed (Carolyn Donovan)</i> <i>Union of Catholic Mothers -Monthly Mass</i>
Tues 10 th April 9.15 am	<i>Eileen Power RIP (Deirdre Hennelly)</i>
Wed 11 th April 9.15 am 12.30 pm	<i>St Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr</i> <i>Bob Maunder RIP (Mary M)</i> <i>Requiem – Pat Gibbons</i>
Thurs 12 th April 9.15 am	<i>John Hennelly RIP (Deirdre H)</i>
Fri 13 th April 9.15 am	<i>David Neville RIP (Frances Bibey)</i>
Sat 14 th April 9.15 am 12 – 12.45 pm 2 pm 6 pm – VIGIL	<i>Jerry Brian RIP</i> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> Wedding – <i>Matthew Morling / Laura Osborne</i> SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
Sun 15 th April 9.15 am 11 am	3rd Sunday of Easter – Cycle B <i>Erika Stromberg (Well-being) (Egan Family)</i> <i>Donal Coleman RIP (Penny C)</i>

 There won't be Wednesday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on 4th & 11th April.

Responsorial Psalm
EASTER SUNDAY


*This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.*



WE SAW HIM...

After the shock and pain of witnessing the crucifixion, the Apostles had to contend with the inner pain of guilt and of shattered hopes for the future. But early on that first day of the week, the women found the tomb open and empty but when they reported this fact to the Apostles they were met with incredulity and doubt...until suddenly He is standing there in that room with them and greeting them with the words “SHALOM” “PEACE”. As we try to stand in that room and try to understand the meaning of all that we have celebrated in this past week we are greeted also with the same word “Shalom”. For us, in the world in which we live, with all its violence and suffering, we need that greeting more than ever and it must be for us to take that word to heart and to live that PEACE everyday by our prayer, by our compassion, by our unwavering hope, by our goodness and by our care for those in need.

**Wishing you all
a very happy
Easter**



**CHRIST THE LORD
IS RISEN TODAY!**


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Deacon Mark

Please pray for those who have died recently: Pat Gibbons
And those who are ill: Charlie Coray, Peter Cule, Christin Babu, Lyla O'Brien, Pam Deane, Maria Khan, Patrick Rickard, Amie Lucas, Martin Connor, Baby Dylan Collins, Margaret Lench, Frs John Owen; Michael Cronin; Mark Rowles, Sr Denise O'Donnell SSJ, Millie Petheram, Doreen Shaw.

Church Collection
Week Ending 25th March Attendance: 339
Gift Aid - £280.15; Non-Gift Aid - £423.00
Syro Malabar - £99.00
Easter Flowers - £162.46

Please remember in your prayers
Andrew Davies who will be received into Church at the Easter Vigil.

A huge **THANK YOU** to all those who help so much in the Church but especially during Lent and Holy Week in preparing for the celebration of the most momentous week of the whole year. **We thank them, without naming them, but they know that we know who they are!**



THANK YOU!

Clergy Easter Offering

Your offertory collection on Easter is your Clergy Offering to the work of the Rosminians. Taxpayers may Gift Aid their offering by filling in the front of the special envelopes.

Thank you!

GIFT AID ENVELOPES for 2018/19

are available for collection at the back of the Church.

If you are a taxpayer and not in the Gift Aid Scheme, please consider joining, as the Parish will benefit by receiving 25% extra in tax relief from the Government

AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOU!

A NEW WAY TO CELEBRATE

On April 21st and 22nd **CELEBRATE WALES** will take place at Mary Immaculate High School in Cardiff. This is a Catholic Charismatic Family weekend designed to bring together families of all ages to celebrate the Faith we share and to experience something different in our worship and praise of God. This weekend will include inspired teaching by expert communicators (including David Wells), creative liturgies, workshops on many subjects of faith and ministry. This weekend has provision for all ages and especially provides a packed programme for children as young as 3 and up to teens. Parents, too, can join in or take time to consider their own lives and their relationship with God. For more information and details of booking procedures for this fantastic weekend of faith, contact Michael Coyle on 01952 5417223

Praise and Worship the Lord group:

The next meeting is at St. Helen's RC Parish Hall, Court Road, Barry, CF63 4ET
on Bank Holiday Monday 2nd April from 7pm – 8.30pm.

All invited & welcomed.

For more information contact Deirdre on 01446 793224.

ADORATION FOR OUR FAMILIES

On second Monday of the month 1pm - 2pm. There are always some kind of problems in families to pray about so I invite you to join us in St. Joseph's Church, New Zealand Road, Cardiff CF14 3BR on Monday 9th April followed by refreshments.

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TEACHING VACANCIES

St. Cadoc's R. C. Primary School, Llanrumney are advertising for a new Head Teacher, closing date 17th April, application pack from C2C@cardiff.gov.uk.

St. Mary's R. C. Primary School, Chepstow are seeking a new Deputy Head Teacher, closing date 16th April, <http://www.monmouthshire.gov.uk/home/education/jobs-and-employment/how-to-apply-for-council-jobs>.

EUCCHARISTIC FAITH CELEBRATION

Following the day of Adoration in preparation for the Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool in September we are asked to remind those wishing to attend the Congress to contact Christian Mahoney on 07764515864 as soon as possible. This invitation is open to all, but there is an expectation that Eucharistic Ministers from our parishes would be among those wishing to attend and that each Parish would try to send two delegates to Liverpool. Material to help everyone to deepen our faith especially for this historic occasion of the Congress will be available soon after Easter and we hope that when we arrange for Eucharistic services in this Parish this will be for all of us a time to deepen our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

At St. Alban's Church on Sunday 8th April at 4 pm.
(Confessions can be heard from 2 - 4 pm). Contact Philip Illsley on 07986 706314 or www.holyishisname.co.uk

Divine Mercy Sunday

The world was in the midst of the Great Depression in 1931 and the memories of World War I were still very much alive in the minds of Europeans when in Poland a sister of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), is said to have been personally visited by Jesus.



According to her diary, which was listed on the Index of Forbidden Books for more than 20 years, an image was revealed to her of the risen Lord, from whose heart shone two rays, one red (representing blood) and the other "pale" (symbolizing water), with the words "Jesus, I trust in you" at the bottom. Faustina wrote in her diary that Jesus told her, "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish."

When she was canonized in 2000 under the direction of fellow countryman Pope John Paul II, he proclaimed that the Second Sunday of Easter would henceforth be known as Divine Mercy Sunday, thereby widely promoting the devotional practices associated with Faustina's visions, already popular in many communities.

St. Faustina, a poorly educated daughter of a humble Polish family, kept a 600-page diary of the apparitions which she claimed continued for years. Her entries focus on God's mercy, the call to accept God's mercy and to be merciful, the need for conversion, and the call to trust in Jesus. It had been Jesus' own wish, she wrote, to establish a feast day: "I [Jesus] desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls. . . . I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy."

Among the practices associated with the devotion are its novena, the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, the Hour of Great Mercy and the plenary indulgence granted to those who receive the Eucharist and celebrate reconciliation on Divine Mercy Sunday.

The celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday is an opportunity to reflect on the theme of how God's mercy can overcome sin and, as the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments states, "a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind will experience in the years to come."