



# ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



PENARTH

## PARISH GAZETTE

DINAS POWYS

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Year C)**

**May 1<sup>st</sup> 2016**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29**

After the great Council of Jerusalem, Paul and Barnabas continue to work for the inclusion of the Gentiles in the new covenant.

**Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8, R v. 4**

***Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.***

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23**

The apostle John shares his great vision of heaven, where Christ will reign for ever and we shall see God face to face.

***Acclamation: John 14:23***

***Alleluia, alleluia!  
Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him'.  
Alleluia!***

**Gospel: John 14:23-29**

Jesus teaches his apostles that they will become temples of the Holy Trinity, and the Holy Spirit will be the guiding light of the Church.

### **EMERGENCY APPEAL - THE UKRAINE - TODAY**

We shall be taking a **special second collection** at all Masses **this weekend (30<sup>th</sup> April/1<sup>st</sup> May)**. This is in response to **Pope Francis' request**, when he drew attention to the plight of people in the Ukraine, during his *Regina Coeli* address on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April in The Vatican. Some information sheets are at the back of both churches if you missed them last week..

### **Date for your diary – Mass for the Sick 2016**

The annual Mass with the Anointing of the Sick will take place at 12 noon in St. Joseph's Primary school on **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June**. We appeal for drivers to help bring the sick, the elderly and the housebound – and for helpers in general. If you can help please let us know as soon as possible. Ring Sheila Collins on 2115 3074 or Paul Gallone on 2070 9401. We need to compile lists of those who are coming and calculate numbers for catering purposes. If you know of someone who needs transport, or if you are bringing someone yourself, please let us know by ringing either of the above telephone numbers.

### **WORLD COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY 8th MAY**

World Communications Sunday is scheduled for Ascension Sunday, **8 May 2016 (Next week)**. Catholics are encouraged to pray and support the work of the Catholic Communications Network, which engages with the media in a time of ongoing interest in the life of the Church, not least through the profile of Pope Francis. "Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Good News". This is the foundation of this essential work. A second collection will be taken at all Masses.

### **Pilgrimage of Prayer - Year of Mercy**

This week we are praying for one of the four Merthyr Parishes - the Parish of St. Illtyd's, Dowlais - their priest Canon Barry English, Deacon Garth Tasker, Bishop Hedley High School, and the Convent of the Missionaries of Charity (Mother Teresa nuns) and all the parishioners. **We will be saying the pilgrimage prayer after Exposition on Fri/Sat.**

### **SVP – NEXT MEETING**

The next SVP meeting will take place on **TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> May** at 2.15pm in St. Mary's Hall.