



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



PENARTH

PARISH GAZETTE

DINAS POWYS

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

## Solemnity: All Saints

1<sup>st</sup> November 2015

1st Reading: Apocalypse 7:2-4. 9-14

John has a vision of a great multitude, clothed in white, standing before the throne of the Lamb.

Ps. 23:1-6 R/

*Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.*

2nd Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

What we are to be in our future life in God's kingdom has not yet been revealed.

**Acclamation:**

*Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!*

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12

Jesus teaches us about the kingdom of God through the Beatitudes.

### Special Second Collection This Weekend for retired priests. "Caring for those who cared".

The Clergy Welfare Board was established in 2005 by Archbishop Peter Smith, in order to provide for the care and well being of those priests who became sick, or who retired from parish ministry, having reached the age of seventy five. Amongst other things, the Clergy Welfare Board ensures an annual income for those who have retired, a suitable place for them to live, as well as arranging residential accommodation or nursing care for those who have those needs. **Last year the costs amounted to £220.000.**

There are currently seventeen priests in the Archdiocese of Cardiff in retirement. The Fund which supports them has been adversely affected by a number of factors. The recent Archdiocesan Fundraising Campaign 'Embracing the Future' failed to reach its £4.7 million target for clergy welfare. The unpredictable events which took place in the financial markets in recent years have also meant a significant loss of interest to the fund, in addition to increased costs.

**In order to care 'for those who cared', a second collection will be taken at all Masses this weekend (31<sup>st</sup> Oct / Nov 1<sup>st</sup>)** The collection will be allocated to the Clergy Retirement Fund. **Gift Aid envelopes and leaflets** will be available in both our churches, so that the offerings by taxpayers may be increased by 25% at no extra costs to themselves. *There are those who have continued to contribute to this important work over the last few years. Our thanks to them.*

### November Dead Lists:

During November, Masses are said for specific intentions (where applicable) and also for the Holy Souls - in particular those named in the November Dead Lists, which are placed on the altar. **Special envelopes are available at the back of both churches, in which you may insert the list of names for commemoration of your departed family and friends.** Any donations received will go to an Emergency Medical Appeal for Syrian Babies and Children, run by the Dominican and Comboni Sisters at two hospitals in Jordan.

### All Soul's Day: Monday November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Canon Joe can say three Masses for the Holy Souls. There will be two back-to-back Masses in St. Joseph's beginning at 9.30am. There will be a short interval for those who are unable to stay for the second Mass. An **evening Mass** will take place in St. Mary's, Dinas Powys at 7.30pm.

### Mass for Deceased Clergy of the Archdiocese.

The annual Mass for the deceased Bishops and clergy of our own Archdiocese will take place this year on **Tuesday November 10<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. The Mass will take place in St. Peter's Church, Roath. Please note the change of venue.** All are welcome to attend.

**The Annual Mass Count on Sundays** will continue into November in order to give a more accurate reflection of attendances.