# Letter to Families from Pope Francis.

Copies of a Letter written by the Pope and addressed to families of the world, in the light of the questionnaires recently completed in connection with the Extraordinary Assembly of the Synod of Bishops which is to take place in Rome in October 2004, are available at the back of both churches. Please take one as you leave.

#### **SVP Next Meeting.**

The SVP will meet next on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March** in St. Mary's Hall at 2.15pm.

## **CAFOD Pyramid Boxes**

Thank you for bringing in your CAFOD Pyramid Boxes this weekend (1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> March) for counting and exchanging for new ones.

## The Joy of the Gospel - This Tuesday

Join us this Tuesday at the Cornerstone at St. David's Cathedral from 13.45 to 15.15pm as we explore the implications of belonging in God's family. Bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be served.

This series of lunch time talks is aimed at those who wish to have further knowledge and understanding of their faith.

# St. Richard Gwyn High School Charity Concert & Curry Night.

Advance warning:

Some of our talented young parishioners (pupils) are organising a charity concert and curry night on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** from 6.30pm – 8.30pm in the school hall, with a variety of music and dance from around the world, in aid of the CAFOD appeal for the Philippines.

Put the date in your diary now!

### 40 Days for Life

From 5<sup>th</sup> March (Ash Wed) through 13<sup>th</sup> April, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. If you would like more information – please contact Clare Jackson on 07580275698, or email:

<u>clare40daysforlife@gmail.com</u> or visit the website : <u>www.40daysforlife.com/cardiff</u>.

## **Confirmation 2014**

The Confirmation Group will be going to St. David's Cathedral on **Saturday March 8**<sup>th</sup> at 12.noon for an ecumenical service with Archbishop George. Catechists will be inside the cathedral to meet families but all parishioners are welcome: refreshments afterwards in the Cornerstone opposite the cathedral. **The next preparation session is on Monday 10**<sup>th</sup> **March for the young people from 7pm to 8.30pm** in St. Mary's hall.

## Ty Croeso Centre Programme 2014.

**Tuesday March 11<sup>th</sup>.** Sister Breda Gainey SSJA. "Our Spiritual Quest: the joy of being a pilgrim".

Tel: Llantarnam Abbey 01633 867317 or visit: www.tycroesocentre.co.uk

#### Youth 2000 Retreat for Youth 2014

There is another retreat this year on **8**th/**9**th **March**, in St. David's 6th Form College, Ty Gwyn Rd. Cyncoed. If any young adults (16-25) would like to know more, have a word with Canon Joe or Deacon Elfed.

# CAFOD – Remembering Archbishop Oscar Romero – Ecumenical Prayer Service

This service will take place in Christ the King Church, Newborough Avenue, Llanishen, Cardiff CF14 5DB on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March** at 7.30pm.

## ST.JOSEPH'S

#### UCM

The next meeting of St. Joseph's UCM will be held on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March** at 7.30pm.

New members are always welcome and you are invited to come and meet the group at the Church Hall on alternate Mondays.

#### **Lenten Lunches**

These Friday Lenten lunches start on **Friday 7**<sup>th</sup> **March** from 12 noon to 1.30pm in the Salvation Army Citadel, Plassey Street, Penarth.

## **Piety Shop**

Don't forget to pick up your Catholic papers as you leave church.

#### ST. MARY'S

## **Seniors' Lunch Party**

This party will take place at 1pm on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March** in the Hall. Please do come along and, if you need a lift, please let us know – ring Jacqui on 2051 3504.

#### **Quiz Night**

Please note in your diary that this event will take place on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May** at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Hall. More details will follow.

### **UCM**

The next meeting will be held in the hall on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March**, beginning at 7.30pm. At that meeting there will be a report on the UCMW Conference 2014 recently held in Cardiff. New members are always welcome – just come along and join us on meeting nights.

Altar Linen: March – Anne Fowler

## Please pray for our Sick

**St Joseph's:** Eileen Sinclair, Femmy Rowlands, Patrick Rickard, Joe Cronin, Charles Curran, Valerie Catterall, Norma Flanigan, Karen Lyons, Rosemary Latham, Len Rainbow and Nero Peralta.

**St. Mary's:** Bernard McParlin, Gretta Dimascio, Lucienne Llewellyn, Bill Turton, Nicholas Barron, Pat