





PARISH GAZETTE

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380 **2ND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY.**

3rd January 2021.

1st Reading: Ecclesiasticus 24:1-2,8-12 God's Wisdom is sent by the creator to dwell on earth.

and lived among us.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18 From the beginning of creation God called us to live through

love in God's presence, and to inherit the rich glories of the

saints.

Acclamation: 1 Tim 3: 16. Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory be to you, O Christ, proclaimed to the pagans; Glory be to you O Christ, believed in by the world.

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 1: 1-18. John reveals the mystery of the incarnation, the presence of

Jesus Christ, the Word of God from the beginning of creation, the true light that enlightens everyone, and the

Word made flesh who dwelt among us.

You can view the full readings online at http://www.stjosephsandstmarys.com/mass_readings.html

BLESSINGS FOR THE NEW YEAR.

Mgr Joe and Deacon Elfed would like to wish parishioners a blessed and safe new year for themselves and for their loved ones. Wth the arrival of the long awaited vaccines, may we see in 2021 the beginning of the end of the global coronavirus pandemic, and may each day bring us nearer to the time when our lives can return to some form of normality. For some, of course, who have lost family and friends to the Covid virus, there can be no return to any form of normality without their loved ones. Their lives are changed and the New Year will bring no comfort to them. We pray that the eventual lifting of restrictions will bring them opportunities for healing and peace of mind.

ST. JOSEPH'S IS BACK IN LOCKDOWN.

Because of the high level of threat from the transmission of the new variant of Coronavirus, which is spiralling out of control at the present time, Mgr. Joe has decided to close the church to public worship once again, until further notice.

This means that the church doors must remain closed to a congregation until it is safe to do otherwise. All masses will be streamed live and so attendance at Mass on-line is available as an alternative. This has been a bonus throughout the pandemic. Remember that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been lifted by the Bishops' Conference for the duration of the pandemic.

The current crisis may persist for some time but we will review the situation regularly throughout the coming month.

Remember that it will be in the second half of January before we will be able to see whether or not the transmission of the virus worsened as a result of Christmas and New Year. In the meantime funerals will be allowed subject to current protocols.

ST MARY'S DINAS POWYS IS CLOSED.

We reported last weekend that after the torrential rainfall in the early hours of Christmas Eve, we discovered that St. Mary's church was under water. The block floor suffered the major damage and we are waiting for the Insurance Company to come and carry out their assessment. Consequently St. Mary's church is closed until further notice.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation was re-introduced in St. Joseph's Church during Advent for a trial period. Because of the Lockdown it is now suspended again. However it is hoped that we will be able to have Confessions again on the Saturdays during the season of Lent. (Ash Wednesday is on 17th February).

THE SACRAMENTS 2021.

The preparation for the celebration of the Sacraments this year will not begin before Easter. Even then it will depend on the safety factor for all concerned. This includes Infant Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.



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Please note that your emails will be sent automatically from this address to Monsignor Joe and Deacon Elfed.

Archdiocesan Child Safeguarding Group

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Emergency Sick Calls. (There are restrictions).

- (i) Hospitals: Llandough and UHW Ask a nurse to call out the priest-on-call. (or contact the Hospital Chaplaincy on (029) 2184 3230)
- (ii) Marie Curie Hospice, (Holme Tower) Penarth, Ask a nurse to Ring the Parish Priest of the patient or ring St. Joseph's Penarth on (029) 2070 8247
- (iii) Local Nursing/Care Homes Please ring the presbytery number in Penarth (as above).

YOUR GIFTS TO THE CHURCH LAST WEEK.					
	Gift Aid	Loose	Total		
St. Joseph's	£335.00		£335.00		
St. Mary's	£5.00		£5.00		
St. Joseph's + St. Mary's £103.11			£103.11		
			£443.11		
Donation			£30.00		
Standing Orde	rs (November))	£2386.00		
Virgin Money Donations (on-line) [Nov]			£225.00		
Thank you for your generosity					

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD.

Christmas and the Epiphany are companion feasts – if not identical twins. The name "Little Christmas" for the Epiphany expresses the popular understanding of the feast in the Western Church. It appears as a repetition, on a lesser scale, of the festivities of Christmas. However, for Christians of the Eastern Church, the reverse is true. They too celebrate Christmas, but they do not accord it the same rank as the Epiphany. For them it might be appropriate to call the feast of 25th December, "Little Epiphany". Whereas Christmas celebrates the "coming" of the Lord, the Epiphany emphasises the manifestation or "showing" of the Lord to the world.

KATHLEEN JOHANNA HUGHES RIP

Kathleen lived at 57 Uplands Crescent, Llandough. She died on 21st December at the age of 85yrs. A funeral Service will take place in the Vale Crematorium on Tuesday 5th January at 2pm, subject to coronavirus restrictions regarding attendance.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.

PETER WARD RIP.

Peter was resident in Cartref Nursing Home in Lakeside, Cardiff although the family has its roots in Penarth.

A funeral Service will take place on Friday 8th January at 10.45am in St. Joseph's church, followed by interment at Penarth cemetery. Covid-19 restrictions will apply.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

CHAIN OF PRAYER FOR PARISHES.

This week it is the turn of St. Mary's, Monmouth, with the parish priest Fr. Nicholas James. St, Mary's is the place from where the annual pilgrimage to the grave of St. John Kemble takes place.

THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTE TO PARISH LIFE

It is customary at this time of year to say a big thankyou to all those who, in some way, help Mgr Joe in his task as parish priest. It isn't only those who exercise ministries, there are many others who play a supporting role in little ways, and whose contributions are very much valued.

Please pray for our sick

St. Joseph's: Valerie Catterall, Muriel Perry, Veronica Hooper, Rosemary Latham, Patrick Webster, Betty Webster, Nora Berry, Alice Collier and Paul Curtin.

St. Mary's: Lucienne Llewellyn, Mary Isherwood, Betty Thorne, Clare Reece, Liz Evans, Cissie Clifton, and Anne Dean.

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TIMES OF MASSES IN LOCKDOWN (NO CONGREGATION)

Saturday Jan 2nd		2nd Sunday after the Nativity.		
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Peter Cummins (Judy) 876	
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Sunday Jan 3rd 2 nd Sunday after the Nativity.				
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Dan Driscoll (Kath) 877	
NO MASS	St. Mary's		Church closed due to flooding.	
CHRISTMASTIDE				
Monday Jan 4th Weekday in Christmastide.				
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Adrian Murphy (Jamie) 882	
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Tuesday Jan 5th Weekday in Christmastide				
MASS IN PRIVATE		9.00am	Pat and Bill Jones (Diane) 818	
FUNERAL SERVICE	VALE CREM	2.00pm	Kathleen Johanna Hughes RIP	
Wednesday Jan 6th Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord				
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	9.30am	The Lavin Family (Sarah) 888	
Thursday Jan	7th W	eekday in Chris	tmastide	
MASS IN PRIVATE		9.00am	Private Int'n (Trow) 872	
Friday Jan 8th Weekday in Christmastide.				
FUNERAL SERVICE	St. Joseph's	10.45am	Peter Ward RIP Live streamed	
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	7.00pm	David Buckingham (Brian & Angela) 875	
Saturday* Jan 9th The Baptism of the Lord. Feast.				
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Thanksgiving Baby Darcy Ella) [Templing] 885	
Sunday Jan 10th The Baptism of the Lord. Feast.				
Live streamed only	St. Joseph's 9.30am Nicholas Perry (Theresa & Liz) 894		,	
NO MASS St. Mary's			Church closed due to flooding	
END		OF	CHRISTMASTIDE	
*Sacrament	of	Reconciliation	Temporarily Suspended.	



"When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of its course, your all-powerful Word, O Lord, bounded from heaven's royal throne"

(Entrance Antiphon Second Sunday after the Nativity).

