



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



PENARTH

PARISH GAZETTE

DINAS POWYS

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

## Fifth Sunday of Easter (B) 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2015

1st Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Paul begins to preach but arouses hostility and has to leave Jerusalem.

Ps. 21:26-28.30-32

*R/ You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.*

2nd Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

John says that if we keep his commandments the Lord will answer our prayers.

**Acclamation:**

*Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!*

Gospel: John 15:1-8

Jesus calls us to remain in him, for he is the vine and we are the branches.

### Priests Training Fund Collection – Thank You!

The PTF collection last weekend raised the amazing sum of £1,603.92 from both our parish communities. The money from the PTF will help to allay the cost of training and formation for the 6 candidates from our Archdiocese currently studying for the priesthood.

### CAFOD - Nepal Earthquake Appeal

**Next Weekend 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> May** there will be a second collection in support of Cafod's launching of a £3m emergency appeal following the earthquake in Nepal. Thousands of people in this already impoverished country have been killed and many thousands more are in urgent need of food, water, shelter and emergency supplies. Eight million people are affected. Cafod is responding with Church partners and has deployed a team to provide specialist support.

### Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Penrhys

**Next Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May** the annual pilgrimage starts at 2pm in Ferndale – on the hill by the statue of Our Lady. This is followed at about 2.45 -3pm by Mass in Sts. Gabriel & Raphael Church, 13 Trinity Road, Tonypany. Refreshments after Mass All welcome. See Poster.

### Celebratory Bilingual Mass and Reception

This Mass at **6pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** in St. David's Cathedral will be followed by a Reception and Launch of the new **Welsh-English Simple Prayer Book**.

Light refreshments will be available at the Cornerstone, directly opposite the Cathedral. Further info from Sue Roberts on 01758 614977 or email: [sue@inc-cyf.com](mailto:sue@inc-cyf.com). All welcome.

### Diocesan Days for Lay Ministers of Communion

The Liturgy Commission is offering a day for Communion Ministers at **St. Mary's, Bridgend on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May**. The day will give time for prayer and encouragement in Eucharistic devotion and faith. In the afternoon there will be a chance to look at taking Communion to those unable to get to church, both housebound and hospital ministry, or alternatively a training session for those new to the ministry. There is no charge for the day; tea and coffee will be provided but it is suggested that people bring a packed lunch. Arrive 10.30 for 11.00am start – finish 3.30pm. To book a place – see Poster for details.

### St. Joseph's & St. Mary's SVP Coffee Morning

This event will take place in St. Joseph's hall at 10.30am on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May**. Ticket: £1; raffle. Proceeds to SVP Youth Appeal.

**SVP** – The next meeting of the SVP will take place on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May** at 2.15 pm in St. Mary's hall.

### Toiletries for Asylum Seekers – This Weekend!

Thank you for bringing in your donations of toiletries this weekend.