

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



PENARTH



## PARISH GAZETTE

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

### First Sunday of Advent (Year B) December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017



DINAS POWYS

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1. 3-8**

**A wayward people cry out in despair for God's presence, knowing that God is their God.**

**Ps 79:2-3. 15-16. 18-19. Rv. 4**

***God of hosts, bring us back;  
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.***

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

**Paul gives thanks for all the graces bestowed upon us in Christ, who is faithful for ever.**

**Acclamation: Ps 84:8**

***Alleluia, alleluia!  
Let us see, O Lord, your mercy  
and give us your saving help.  
Alleluia!***

**Gospel: Mark 13:33-37**

**Jesus reminds us of the need to be vigilant for we do not know when he will return.**

#### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – TODAY

Advent is a time of preparation when, as we await the Lord's birth at Christmas, we are asked once again to reflect on **our relationship with HIM** in expectation of his arrival. It is very much a time of joyful expectation as **we look forward to Christmas**.

#### “THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU” in Advent

On the **first TWO Wednesdays of Advent**, from **7pm to 8pm**, Catholics are invited to come along to selective parishes across the Cardiff Deanery and experience the simple **generosity of God's love** in the celebration of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**. For those who have perhaps been away from the Sacrament for some time, as well as those who just want to make Confession part of their Advent journey, a **very warm welcome** awaits them. Canon Joe will be available and this is **in addition to normal Confession times on Saturdays**.

#### WALK WITH ME – ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2017

This pocket sized booklet of prayers and reflections for **Advent and Christmas 2017** is **NOW AVAILABLE** from the back of both churches, priced at **£1 each**. The **Walk With Me** meditations offer us the time and space to do these things.” **Why not sit quietly with Walk With Me for a few minutes each day? Why not give a copy of Walk With Me to a friend, relative or work colleague?**

**CHRISTMAS SERVICE CARDS** – The times of Masses over the Christmas period can be found on the Special Printed Cards at the back of both Churches today. Please take one as Christmas this year falls on a Monday which means that there is a **DOUBLE WEEKEND** of Masses.

#### THE CLERGY RETIREMENT FUND NEXT WEEKEND

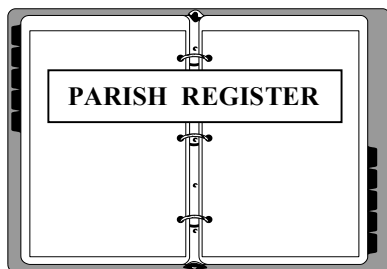
The **Clergy Retirement Fund** was established in 2005. The Fund has been **adversely affected** by a number of factors in recent years. The unpredictable events which are taking place in the financial markets have meant a **significant loss of interest to the fund**, in addition to **increasing costs**. In order to provide **“Care for those who cared”**, a second collection will be taken **throughout the Diocese NEXT WEEKEND**. **Gift Aid envelopes** are available **Today** at the back of both churches so that the offering by tax payers may be increased by 25p in each £1 at no cost to themselves. Please take one home with you whether you are a tax payer or not and bring it back next week. Thank you.

#### WORLD GIFTS FROM CAFOD

As Advent gets under way, we begin to **reflect on the season of Advent**, and the **act of giving**. **World Gifts** offers a **different way** to share and reflect God's love for each and every one of us. Each gift is **an example of the work CAFOD's partners** are doing right now to **change the lives** of the poorest members of our global family. **Please pick up a catalogue as you leave the church.**

**PAC MEETING** – There is a meeting of the Parish Advisory Council (PAC) this coming week, on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** at **7.30pm** in **St. Joseph's Hall**. A good attendance from the membership would be appreciated.

**SVP MEETING** – The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** in **St. Mary's Hall**. The following meeting will then be on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018** in **St. Joseph's Hall**.



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Canon Boardman can be contacted on email:  
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**Permanent Deacon:** Rev. Elfed Jones  
Tel: 07950 013224 email: [elfed179@talktalk.net](mailto:elfed179@talktalk.net)

**Parish Website:** [www.stjosephsandstmarys.com](http://www.stjosephsandstmarys.com)  
Notices/photos to: [events@stjosephsandstmarys.com](mailto:events@stjosephsandstmarys.com)  
Web Co-ordinator: Don Clarey

### Schools

**St. Joseph's RC Primary School**  
Sully Road, Penarth. Tel: 029 2070 2864  
email: [stjosephsps@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk](mailto:stjosephsps@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk)

**St. Richard Gwyn Catholic High School**  
Argae Lane, Barry. Tel: 01446 729250  
email: [s.grech@strichardgwyn.co.uk](mailto:s.grech@strichardgwyn.co.uk)

**St. David's Catholic College (6<sup>th</sup> Form)**  
Ty Gwyn Rd. Penylan, Cardiff. CF23 6XL  
Tel: 029 2049 8555  
Email: [enquiries@st-davids-coll.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@st-davids-coll.ac.uk)

**Parish Advisory Council Chair.**  
Paul Gallone KHS. Tel: 029 2070 9401  
e-mail: [paul.gallone@btinternet.com](mailto:paul.gallone@btinternet.com)

### Church Hall Bookings

St. Joseph's – Christiane Cantlay Tel: 029 2070 4857  
St. Mary's – Judith Braeman. Tel: 029 2051 5309

**Gazette Contributions** by Wednesday please to:  
Email: [parish.gazette@gmail.com](mailto:parish.gazette@gmail.com)

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

### Archdiocesan Child Safeguarding Group

Helpline: 029 2034 3811  
Contacts: St. Joseph's – Mary Taylor: 029 2065 8506  
St. Mary's – Anne Chilcott: 029 2140 2942

### Emergency sick calls.

- (i) Hospitals: Llandough and UHW – Ask a nurse to call out the priest-on-call. (There is a Catholic priest on call 24/7)
- (ii) Marie Curie Hospice, (Holme Tower) Penarth, Ask a nurse to call the sick person's Parish Priest or alternatively St. Joseph's Presbytery, Penarth (phone number below)
- (iii) Local Nursing/Care Homes – please phone presbytery: 029 2070 8247
- (iv) (Tuesdays only) All enquiries to the Deacon – Rev Elfed Jones mobile 07950 013224

### YOUR GIFTS TO THE CHURCH LAST WEEK

|  | <u>Gift Aid</u> | <u>Non-Gift Aid</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|-----------------|---------------------|--------------|
| St. Joseph's   | £484.55         | £439.84             | £924.39      |
| Church Fees  |                 |                     | £150.00      |
| approx. £200 per week Gift Aid Income also received by S/O |                 |                     |              |
| St. Mary's   | £120.68         | £303.75             | £424.43      |
| approx. £150 per week Gift Aid Income also received by S/O |                 |                     |              |

**Thank you all for your generosity**

### ADVENT SERVICE – TUESDAY THIS WEEK

In conjunction with Dinas Powys Council of Churches, **St. Mary's will be hosting an ecumenical Advent Service to which all the churches in Dinas Powys are invited.** The service this year is on **THIS Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.** We would of course be especially pleased to see parishioners from both, St. Joseph's and St. Mary's, supporting this event. All welcome.

### LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR – FROM THE SVP

Recently we have all been reminded by Pope Francis about the commandment "love thy neighbour". At Christmas time surely, this is **even more important**. Do you know of **anyone, or a family**, whom you suspect might be 'on their own'? If so, you might think of delivering a Christmas card personally; or perhaps striking up a conversation with them. This might indicate if help and/or company would be welcome. **The SVP exists to fill this need BUT we are unable to ask 'everyone'**. If after your initial contact you feel that someone might appreciate some help or a visit then **please let the SVP know** and we would be delighted to help. Please just leave an envelope with details in the collection plate when you are next in Mass.

### ADVENT CELEBRATIONS – ST. RICHARD GWYN

St. Richard Gwyn Catholic High School, Argae Lane, Barry, invites you to celebrate Advent at the school on **Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec at 6pm.** There will be an **Advent Reflection** in words and music, followed by seasonal refreshments and Christmas music. On **Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec, from 2.45pm until 3.45pm,** our SVP group will hold their annual *Coffee and Carols* in aid of **Cancer Research**. The event timing allows people to get home before the dark nights of winter. There are **no tickets required** for the events but **please email the school** [n.price@strichardgwyn.co.uk](mailto:n.price@strichardgwyn.co.uk) or phone on 01446 729250. You will be made very welcome.

**CAFOD PYRAMID BOXES** Next collection 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018. No Collection on December.

### GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

Waiting to go into hospital? Do please let your parish priest know in plenty of time. He will be pleased to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick with you or any pastoral support you need. This is preferable to leaving it until you are in hospital. The small team of parish priests who currently provide 24/7 emergency cover in the Cardiff hospitals are under a great deal of pressure, so unfortunately there is no guarantee that one is always available at any particular time. On the same theme, if you know of any Catholic already in hospital, who needs or might like a visit or sacramental support, please continue to leave details with the Cardiff & Vale Hospital Chaplaincy on 2074 3230. Thank you.

## CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Cardiff Ardwyn Singers with Musical Director David Leggett and Accompanist Janice Ball will be performing at **6pm** on **Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Dec** at All Saints Church, Penarth, and at **3pm** on **Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec** at Christchurch, Radyr. Tickets are **£7** (under 18's free) available on the door or in advance from choristers.

## PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE CARDS – NEXT WK

Greeting cards will be **on sale after all Masses on the 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> December**. Price £1.50 (any profit will go to **Action by Christians Against Torture**). We are supporting a range of people in detention, including Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe and organisations working for human rights in different parts of the world.

## 'JP SCHOOL OF SONG' Special Night of Carols

Our organist James Patrick will be organising a **Carol Service** for a second year in **St. Joseph's Church** on **Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7pm**. This will once again feature his choir of 10-17 year olds. It promises to be an enjoyable evening with readings, seasonal music and carols featuring pupils from Catholic schools and colleges across Cardiff and the Vale. **We hope many of you will be able to join us**. Refreshments will be available in the Hall afterwards.

## HOME4U SLEEP OUT – SPONSORSHIP MONIES.

Mary Ward and Roswitha Davies and 8 members of the team successfully completed their annual sleep out in aid of Home4U in Cardiff city centre on 17<sup>th</sup> November. **Mary and Roswitha will collect their sponsorship monies THIS weekend (2/3 Dec) and on the weekend of 16/17 December. Gift Aid envelopes will be available.** It is **never too late to sponsor** them after the night! All donations will go towards giving temporary accommodation for 6 months for 5 destitute asylum seekers at any one time, while they are preparing a fresh asylum claim.

## TOUCHSTONE TALKS

This is part of a **series of talks on questions of interest to all Christians**. The talks take place on **Sundays**, at **3pm** in the **TICS Lecture Theatre at St. David's Catholic College**, Ty Gwyn Road, Penylan, Cardiff, CF23 5JB.

- **17<sup>th</sup> December** – The First Christmas and the Way We Live: The Implications of Christmas for the Christian Life.
- **21<sup>st</sup> January** – The Bible & the Mass: The Prototype of our Liturgy.

## ST. JOSEPH'S

### ADVENT CAROL SERVICE – DATE FOR THE DIARY

Our Annual Advent Carol service will take place at **3pm** on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December** (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent) in **St. Joseph's Church** featuring the Children of **St. Joseph's Primary School**. Not to be missed.

### COFFEE MORNING

Please join us for our monthly Coffee Morning on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December** for a **coffee and mince pie**, after 10am Mass.

### ST. JOSEPH'S UCM

The next meeting will be on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December** at **7.30pm**. It will be the last meeting before Christmas; members will be enjoying a Christmas Quiz and mince pies.

## ST. JOSEPH'S PIETY SHOP

**Christmas cards, Advent calendars, diaries, etc. are now available.** The Catholic papers are on sale in the Piety Shop every weekend. Please pick up your papers before you go. The Universe and Catholic Times cost £1.30 and the Catholic Herald £2.50. **It is important to support the Catholic press.**

## ST. MARY'S

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP – HELP NEEDED

The **Children's Liturgy Group** facilitate the liturgy for the children in **St. Mary's** alongside the **11.15 Mass**. We are **very low on helpers to run this important ministry** and need the help of parishioners to join our team. You will be able to **pair up with an experienced facilitator** so that you get to learn what's involved. Applicants would be put through the DBS process before they can facilitate but this would be sorted out for you. If you would like to know more before committing yourself, please contact Laura – [lauraaky@talktalk.net](mailto:lauraaky@talktalk.net) or speak to one of the other facilitators after the 11.15am Mass.

### ST. MARY'S UCM

We will next meet in the hall on **Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December**, at **7.30pm**, when we will hold our **Advent Reflection**. Anyone wishing to join us will be most welcome.

### FILM CLUB for children in school years 3+

Come along to our parish film club: **It's free!** Bring a cushion or beanbag to sit on and pocket money for the tuck shop. We meet for the last time before Christmas **2-4pm** at **St. Mary's Church Hall** on **10<sup>th</sup> December** to watch **Home Alone (PG)**. This will be our last film club of 2017 and there will be **NO FILM CLUB** on **17<sup>th</sup> December**, as previously announced. After that, we will meet on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2018, film TBC.

### OCTOBER GLITTER BALL – THANK YOU

Lara Cowpe would like to thank everyone who supported the October Glitter Ball in aid of Teenage Cancer Trust. Over **£14,000** was raised on the night. Lara will be selling Christmas Beanie Bundles after the **11.15am Mass** on **Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec**. The bundles come in two sizes and each one contains a different 'TY Beanie Baby' or 'Disney Beanie Baby'. All proceeds go to Teenage Cancer Trust. Prices are: large - £10 and small - £5.

### PRE-CHRISTMAS QUIZ – THANK YOU

The pre-Christmas Quiz held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November raised **£147.00** with money going to the Dinas Powys Food Bank.

**Altar Linen:** December – Chris Llewellyn

### *Please pray for our Sick*

**St. Joseph's:** Femmy Rowlands, Patrick Rickard, Valerie Catterall, Karen Lyons, Margaret Osborne, Nero Peralta, Leslie Moorcraft, Lesley Strain, Muriel Perry, Margaret Ward, Kay Critchett, Veronica Hooper, Joe Fadian and Sandra Curtin.

**St. Mary's:** Lucienne Llewellyn, Nicholas Barron, Pat Prangley, Paul Walsh, Mary Isherwood, Betty Thorne, Pat Pickering and Clare Reece.

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**TIMES OF MASSES AND RECONCILIATION**  
**WEEK COMMENCING SATURDAY DECEMBER 2ND / SUNDAY DECEMBER 3RD 2017**

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|--------------------------------|----------------------|---|---|
| <b>Saturday</b>                | <b>December 2nd</b>  | <b>1st Sunday of Advent (B)</b>                             |   |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 5.00pm  | Teresa Maramaros (Gangee) 731                   |
| <b>Sunday</b>                  | <b>December 3rd</b>  | <b>1st Sunday of Advent (B)</b>                             |   |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 9.30am  | Eileen Sinclair (Rosemary) 746                  |
|                                | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | 11.15am   | Jane Pearce (Trish) 751                         |
|                                | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | 6.30pm  | People of Our Parish Living and Dead            |
| <b>1st Week of Advent</b>      |                      |   |   |
| <b>Monday</b>                  | <b>December 4th</b>  | <b>Mass of the Day</b>                                      |   |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 9.30am  | Mary McBride (Louise & Elfed) 788               |
| <b>Tuesday</b>                 | <b>December 5th</b>  | <b>Mass of the Day</b>                                      |   |
|                                | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | 9.30am  | Geoff Vincent (Pat) 771                         |
| <b>Advent Service</b>          | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | <b>7.00pm</b>   | <b>Ecumenical Advent Service</b>                |
| <b>Wednesday</b>               | <b>December 6th</b>  | <b>St. Nicholas, Bishop</b>                                 |   |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 10.00am   | Jodi Broom (Stimpson) 707                       |
| <b>The Light is On for You</b> | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | <b>7pm – 8pm</b>  | <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>              |
| <b>Thursday</b>                | <b>December 7th</b>  | <b>St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b>         |   |
|                                | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | 9.30am  | Gertrude Shepherd (O.B.) 765                    |
| <b>Friday</b>                  | <b>December 8th</b>  | <b>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> |   |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 6.15pm  | <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>      |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 7.00pm  | Bernard & Rosalind Fitzgerald (Family) 764      |
| <b>Saturday</b>                | <b>December 9th</b>  | <b>Mass of the Day</b>                                      |   |
|                                | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | 9.30am  | <b>Exposition / Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> |
|                                | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | 10.00am   | Priest's Intention                              |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 11am – 12 noon  | <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>              |
| <b>Saturday</b>                | <b>December 9th</b>  | <b>2nd Sunday of Advent (B)</b>                             |   |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 5.00pm  | Thanksgiving (Geary) 772                        |
| <b>Sunday</b>                  | <b>December 10th</b> | <b>2nd Sunday of Advent (B)</b>                             |   |
|                                | <b>St. Joseph's</b>  | 9.30am  | Patricia O'Leary (Latham) 745                   |
|                                | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | 11.15am   | Olive Davis (Keith Scott & Family) 761          |
|                                | <b>St. Mary's</b>    | 6.30pm  | Joan Mathias (Family) 779                       |

Please note that the main door to St. Joseph's Church (giving access to the rear of the church, behind the glass screens and to the organ loft) will be open on weekdays Mon. Wed. Thurs and Fri. 10am to 4pm (except Tues – closed for cleaning) until Christmas.