



ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



PARISH GAZETTE

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 1177272

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

7th February 2021.

1st Reading: Job 7:1- 4, 6-7.

For Job, life is just one continuous round of drudgery. There is no end in view to his pain and misery.

Ps 146: 1-6, R/v 3.

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians:9:16-19,22- 3

Paul takes up his responsibility to preach the Gospel with joy and enthusiasm. He feels free to offer himself to present the Good News for the benefit of all.

Acclamation: Jn 8: 12

Alleluia, alleluia !

I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia !

Gospel: Mark 1: 29-39

Jesus' healing attracts the crowds, but he needs to be free to bring the Good News beyond the confines of his own area.

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

“JESUS’ HEALING ATTRACTS THE CROWDS”.

We catch a glimpse of **God’s providence at work in our world** through the healing miracles of Jesus. Today’s Gospel passage is a good example of this when Jesus cures “many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another”. He didn’t cure the whole population in one act of mass-healing, but rather he did it to a limited number of individuals, on a one-to-one; the message being that sickness and suffering do not have the last word. However, for reasons we do not understand, these things have to be part of our lives – as they were part of Jesus’ life. God’s presence in our pain and suffering may not be obvious enough for some, but as in the famous **Footprints** narrative, it may only be with **hindsight** that we are able to see the footprints of God in the sand as he “carries” us through the worst of the storm to better times.

A ZOOM QUIZ IS COMING.

St Mary’s Social Committee announce a **QUIZ** on Zoom. It will take place on Tuesday 16th February (Shrove Tuesday) at 7.30pm. Mo and Llinos Misra will be quiz masters. Normal teams of 6 does not apply - a family, no matter what size, with a bubble is fine. If you would like to join then please e-mail Stephen Trigg to register your intention: triggsteve@hotmail.com
You will then be contacted via e-mail on the morning of the 16th and the zoom contact details will be shared. If you need help with accessing zoom then you can contact Martin at: martin@martinprice.com

CAFOD LENT FAMILY FAST DAY (26TH FEB)

The Lent Family Fast Day would have been Friday 26th February this year and the Fast Day fundraising appeal would have been at Masses on the following Weekend (27/28 February). With the Covid-19 restrictions, CAFOD is proposing alternative activities:

The Lent campaign is centred on the story of Abdella in Ethiopia, who walks 10hrs daily to get water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. On Family Fast Day, we are invited to pray, fast and give, to help people like Abdella. You can download a short [video here](#).
Walk for Water: CAFOD invites us to walk in solidarity with Abdella and everybody who must walk to collect clean water by walking 10,000 steps/5 miles or whatever distance you can manage in a virtual event on **Saturday 20th February at 2pm**. Members of the JPIC Group will be doing this challenge and will be seeking sponsorship.

Alternatively, walk 10,000 steps every day throughout Lent and make money for CAFOD – [sign up here](#).
Your gifts today will help vulnerable communities around the world to have access to clean water and provide other vital support. You can donate via our [JustGiving](#) page, online at cafod.org.uk/give or via text: text **LENTNOINFO** to **70460** to donate **£10** (or text **LENT** to **70460** to donate **£10** and receive information about CAFOD’s work and fundraising via telephone and SMS).

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**TIMES OF MASSES
IN LOCKDOWN (NO CONGREGATION)**

Saturday Feb 6th		5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Frances Ryman (Joyce H.) 912
Sunday Feb 7th		5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Donovan Family (Reynolds) 905
NO MASS	St. Mary's		Church closed due to flood damage.
Ordinary Time Winter. Year 1. Week 5			
Monday Feb 8th		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Maeve Lyons (Joyce H.) 911
Tuesday Feb 9th		St. Teilo, Bishop.	
MASS IN PRIVATE`		9.00am	Mary Patricia Jones (Family) 916
Wednesday Feb 10th		St. Scholastica. Virgin. Memorial	
Live streamed only	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Matthew Burns (Pauline) 914
Thursday Feb 11th		Our Lady of Lourdes. World Day for the Sick.	
MASS IN PRIVATE		9.00am	Thanksgiving for Ethan, Xavier and Otis. (anon) 91
Friday Feb 12th		Weekday in Ordinary Time.	
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Angela Schroder (Clare) 965
Saturday* Feb 13th		6th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)	
Live Streamed only	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Joseph Daly (Louise Jones) 915
Sunday Feb 14th		6th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)	
Live streamed only	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Peter Barnes (Philomena) 958
NO MASS	St. Mary's		Church closed due to flood damage.
*Sacrament	of	Reconciliation	Temporarily Suspended.



“I would like so much for all Christians to be able to comprehend “the surpassing worth of knowing Jesus Christ” through the diligent reading of the Word of God, for the sacred text is the nourishment of the soul and the pure and perennial source of the spiritual life of all of us”
(Pope Francis)

