



PENARTH

ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



PARISH GAZETTE



DINAS POWYS

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

The Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year B) – Laetare Sunday March 11th 2018

1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16. 19-23

Despite the rejection of God by the leaders of the people, God engineers their return after exile through the unexpected agency of the Persian King, Cyrus.

Ps 136:1-6. Rv. 6

*O let my tongue
cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not!*

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10

God's love is so great that even when we were dead through our sins, God brought us to life in Christ.

Acclamation: Jn 3:16

*Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son;
everyone who believes in him has eternal life.
Glory and praise to you, O Christ!*

Gospel: John 3:14-21

A simple statement says so much: "God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son."

MOTHERS DAY TODAY – Every blessing on all mothers on their special day today. We ask **Our Lady, mother of Our Lord** to watch over them and their families.

A MUSICAL REFLECTION FOR LENT – JP SCHOOL OF SONG – THIS WEEK

Our organist, James Patrick, will be organising a Lenten choral evening in St. Joseph's Church at **7pm** on **Wednesday 14th March**, featuring his choir of 10-17 year olds. It promises to be a **spiritual evening with readings and music**, preparing us for the final weeks of Lent, leading into Holy Week. It will feature pupils from Catholic schools/colleges across Cardiff and the Vale. We hope many of you will be able to join us. Refreshments available in the hall afterwards.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES – NEXT WEEK

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is part of our Lenten Journey. The Cardiff Deanery has organised the following three Penitential Services for Lent in three different locations.

- Tues 20th March in St. Helen's, Barry, from 7pm.
 - Thurs 22nd March in St. Mary's, Canton from 1.30pm – 3pm.
 - Mon 26th March from 7pm. In St. Teilo's, Whitchurch.
- Four or five priests will be hearing confessions on each occasion. You don't have to be there at the starting time; priests will be available until at least 8pm in the evening slots, and 3pm at Canton, and will stay longer if anyone is still waiting at the "finish" time. There's no better way to prepare for Easter than a spring clean for your soul. Your priests are here for you.

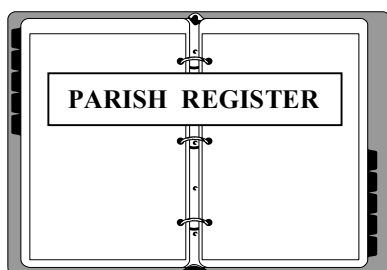
RCIA – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS – Nicola Newman will be formally presented with the **Creed** during the **9.30am Mass today** as part of her journey to adult baptism at the **Easter Vigil Mass**

DIOCESAN LENTEN ARMS COLLECTION – NEXT WEEK – This annual second collection will be taken on the weekend of 5th Sunday of Lent (17th / 18th March). It is the Archbishop's own collection and will be used to help the FIVE Syrian families who have been settled in 5 diocesan properties across the Archdiocese – in Newport, Cardiff and Bridgend.

EXTRA CONFESSIONS DURING LENT – PENARTH – In addition to the weekly Confessions on Saturdays, there will be an **extra opportunity for Reconciliation** in **St. Joseph's, Penarth**, on **Friday evenings** during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **from 6.15pm until 6.50pm.**

PENARTH CYTUN LENTEN LUNCHESES – These will continue for the remaining Fridays of Lent in Stanwell Road Baptist Church Hall **from 12-1.30pm.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & BENEDICTION FOR LENT – On the **six Sundays of Lent** up to and including Palm Sunday, there will be the traditional **Stations of the Cross and Benediction** beginning at **4pm** in **St. Joseph's.**



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St. Richard Gwyn Catholic High School
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St. David's Catholic College (6th Form)
Ty Gwyn Rd. Penylan, Cardiff. CF23 6XL
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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
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
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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	£299.00	£284.25	£583.25
approx. £200 per week Gift Aid Income also received by S/O			
St. Mary's	£34.50	£145.23	£179.73
approx. £150 per week Gift Aid Income also received by S/O			

Thank you all for your generosity despite the weather.

ROMERO WEEK

El Salvador in the 1970's was a **deeply divided country**. Most lived in poverty while a small number of rich families owned most of the land and political power. Violence was regularly used against those who stood up and challenged this inequality.

This was the situation when **Oscar Romero** became **Archbishop of San Salvador** in 1977. He listened to working people who were being threatened or disappeared. Weeks after he became archbishop his friend Rutilio Grande was killed: "If they have killed him for doing what he did then I must walk the same path".

He used his Sunday sermons to **denounce the repression** and he named every man, woman or child who had been killed or disappeared. He **challenged those in power**: "It is not God's will for some to have everything whilst others have nothing". He began to receive death threats. On the eve of his assassination, he urged soldiers and police not to kill: "The peasants you kill are your own brothers and sisters. In the name of God and in the name of this suffering people I beg you, I beseech you, I order you, stop the repression".

He was assassinated on 24th March 1980 whilst saying Mass in the Chapel of the hospital where he lived. Archbishop Romero gave his life to speak out for the poor and oppressed in his country. His example is inspiration for millions across the globe who speak out for justice, reconciliation and peace.

It has just been announced that Archbishop Oscar Romero of San Salvador **will be declared a saint!** An additional, special reason to celebrate **Romero Week 2018** and to learn about his life and example.

There will be **2 special events in Cardiff** to celebrate Romero Week 2018. On **Friday 9th March** at **7.30pm** an acclaimed film "Archbishop Romero, his people and Pope Francis" will be shown in the Jane Hodge Hall, Cornerstone, Charles Street.

If you would like to hear more about **Blessed Oscar Romero** and about his legacy in El Salvador today, come to **The Cornerstone** on **Thursday 15th March** at **7.30pm** to hear Ruben Zamora, a Salvadorian diplomat and politician. All welcome. **SEE POSTER.**

SHARING THE JOURNEY. WED. 21ST MARCH.

Our Catholic schools come together to reflect on the story of Holy Week in music and drama at **6pm in St. Joseph's church, Penarth**, with a retiring collection for CAFOD's refugee appeal. Make this part of your Lenten journey.

FR JIMMY THOMAS RIP

Sadly Fr Jimmy Thomas passed away on Saturday 2nd March in Nazareth House after a long illness. For many years he was Parish Priest of St. David Lewis, Bettws. Please keep him in your prayers. His Funeral Mass will take place at Nazareth House on Wednesday 21st March at 9.30am His body will be received into Nazareth House at 5pm on Tuesday 20th March.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE.

ADOREMUS PREPARATION DAY – The Catholic Church will hold a National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool this September. To prepare for this historic event, the **Archdiocese of Cardiff** invites **everyone** to a Preparation Day in **St. David's Catholic College** on **17th March 2018** from **10.30am to 3pm**. The event is free of charge and open to people of all faiths and no faith, lunch will be provided. **SEE HANDOUTS AT THE BACK OF CHURCH.**

GODSPELL THE MUSICAL – The joyful musical *Godspell* is to be performed at **the Cornerstone**, Charles Street, Cardiff running from the **22nd to 27th March** (no performance on Sunday 25th March) starting at **7.30pm**. Tickets are available online www.eventajousonline.co.uk or telephone 02920 494425. This will be a wonderful way to begin the great celebration of Easter.

MUSIC @ LUNCHTIME 2018

(Free) Lunchtime Concerts are back! The next concert will take place on **Monday 12th March** from **1-2pm** (doors open at 12.30) at All Saints Church, Victoria Square, Penarth, featuring **Anthony Negus and August Guan** with music by Schubert, Beauvarlet-Charpentier and Mozart. Bring your own lunch. Teas and coffees available. **Donations welcome** towards All Saints Church mission priorities and a charity of the performer(s) choice. **SEE POSTER.**

CATHOLIC PEOPLE'S WEEKS

Catholic People's Weeks (CPW) provide "holidays that make a difference", where people find food for thought, faith and friends. CPW offers a chance for Catholics to enrich and develop their faith, but welcomes people from other faith traditions who are interested in, or in sympathy with, the Catholic tradition. All our events offer engaging talks and activities, prayer and socializing, in a community setting.

For more information contact Tom and Liz Dawkes in St. Mary's or e-mail: secretary@catholicpeoplesweeks.org.uk

ALIVE IN CHRIST – KEEPING OUR FAITH ALIVE IN EVERYDAY LIFE. CATHOLIC BIBLE SCHOOL.

What do the scriptures show us about how to be fully alive in the Lord? How can we live that out in every day? On **Saturday 24th March** Sarah Beresford will be exploring the scriptures with us to help us **be truly alive in Christ.**

We will meet in **St. Philip Evans, Llanedeyrn Drive**, Llanedeyrn, CF23 9UL at **10am until 3pm**. All our Scripture Saturdays are free and there is no need to book, if you are able to make a donation to help cover our costs it will be gratefully received. Tea, coffee and biscuits are provided but please bring your own packed lunch.

For more information visit www.catholic-bible-school.org/south-wales-events/mar18 or email catholicbibleschool@gmail.com.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES 2018 / 2019

Gift Aid Envelopes for the next financial year will be **given out on the weekend of 17th / 18th March** (5th Sunday of Lent). Members of the Gift Aid Scheme will be asked to pick up their box of envelopes as they leave the church. Non Gift Aid envelopes will be given out the following week. Thank you to all concerned. The Gift Aid Scheme is a substantial help to parish finances.

ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S SVP – The next meeting is on **Tuesday 20th March** in St. Mary's Hall.

ST. JOSEPH'S

PIETY SHOP – As well as Easter Cards that you can buy, Holy Communion and Confirmation Gifts can be ordered from the brochure. Also, please remember to pick up your Catholic Paper.

ST. JOSEPH'S UCM – The next meeting of St. Joseph's UCM will be on **Monday 12th March** at **7.30pm** in the Church hall.

ST. MARY'S

FIRST RECONCILIATION FOR ST. MARY'S

The children of St. Mary's will make their first Confessions this week. It will take place on **Thursday 15th March** at **7pm** in St. Mary's. Please keep them in your prayers.

SOCIAL EVENT COMING – St. Mary's Social Committee will be running a Wine Tasting Quiz (to support our local library in Dinas Powys) on Saturday 23rd June 2018 at 7.30pm in the Church hall. There will be five wines to taste, and nibbles. Tickets are £10 each and will be available shortly on a first-come-first-served basis. Alternatively you can reserve your tickets for this popular event with any member of the Social Committee.

NEWPORT HALF MARATHON FUNDRAISING

Lara Stevens (Cowpe) is running the **Newport Half Marathon** in memory of a family friend, Claire Chate-Fawcett. The half marathon has been rearranged due to the snow for **Sunday 18th March**. She thanks everyone who has donated so far to **St Christopher's Hospice** and **Professor Ottensmeier's Experimental Cancer Medicine Fund**.

ST. MARY'S UCM

Members attending the Quarterly Mass to be celebrated at St. Alban's-on-the-Moors, Swinton Street, Splott at **7pm** on **Monday 12th March** are asked to meet outside the Church at **6.15pm** to share lifts.

Altar Linen: March – Anne Fowler

Please pray for our Sick

St. Joseph's: Femmy Rowlands, Patrick Rickard, Valerie Catterall, Margaret Osborne, Nero Peralta, Leslie Moorcraft, Muriel Perry, Margaret Ward, Kay Critchett, Veronica Hooper, Joe Fadian, Sheila Docking and Ann Cullen.

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

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TIMES OF MASSES AND RECONCILIATION
WEEK COMMENCING SATURDAY MARCH 10TH / SUNDAY MARCH 11TH 2018

Saturday	March 10th	4th Sunday of Lent (B) (Laetare Sunday)	
	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Carole Donna Jones (Frances) 879
Sunday	March 11th	4th Sunday of Lent (B) (Laetare Sunday)	
	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Tony Silva (John O'Brien) 903
	St. Mary's	11.15am	Bill Clifton (Chris & Tony) 842
	St. Joseph's	4pm	Stations of the Cross and Benediction
	St. Mary's	6.30pm	People of our parish, living and dead
Fourth Week of Lent			
Monday	March 12th	Weekday, 4th Week of Lent	
	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Private Intention (John & Carol) 888
Tuesday	March 13th	Weekday, 4th Week of Lent	
	St. Mary's	9.30am	Pat Pickering (St. Mary's UCM) 901
Wednesday	March 14th	Weekday, 4th Week of Lent	
	St. Joseph's	10.00am	Pat & Bill Jones (Diane) 916
Thursday	March 15th	Weekday, 4th Week of Lent	
	St. Mary's	9.30am	Priest's Intention
First Confessions	St. Mary's	7pm	First Reconciliation
Friday	March 16th	Weekday, 4th Week of Lent	
	St. Joseph's	6.15pm	Exposition / Sacrament of Reconciliation
	St. Joseph's	7.00pm	Private Intention (Trow) 892
Saturday	March 17th	St. Patrick, Bishop. Patron of Ireland. Feast.	
	St. Mary's	9.30am	Exposition / Sacrament of Reconciliation
	St. Mary's	10.00am	Deceased Members of St. Mary's UCM 902
	St. Joseph's	11am – 12 noon	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday	March 17th	5th Sunday of Lent (B)	
	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Anna Mahoney (Paul) 823
Sunday	March 18th	5th Sunday of Lent (B)	
	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Louise Daly (Elfed & Louise) 890
	St. Mary's	11.15am	Jim McCarthy (Mo & Mary) 845
	St. Joseph's	4pm	Stations of the Cross and Benediction
	St. Mary's	6.30pm	Terry Jones (Kathy) 869

Please note that the main doors to St. Joseph's church, Penarth, and St. Mary's, Dinas Powys, will be closed outside of Service times.