



ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



PENARTH

PARISH GAZETTE

DINAS POWYS

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

First Sunday of Lent (Year C) 14th February 2016

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 4-10

The people make a thanksgiving offering to the Lord, remembering God's great act of liberation.

Ps. 90: 1-2, 10-15

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Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

2nd Reading: Romans 10: 8-13

The Lord is rich in mercy to all who call on him.

Acclamation:

*Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word
that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!*

Gospel: Luke 4: 1-13

The devil tempts Jesus with good things.

THE YEAR OF MERCY

A Day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

The Day of Adoration before the Sacramental presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament has been called by Pope Francis as part of the Holy Year of Mercy....'24hours for the Lord'. It takes place across the universal Church, on **Saturday 5th of March.**

We in St. Joseph's and St. Mary's Parish, are privileged to take part in this global Catholic event. On Saturday 5th of March, in St. Mary's, Dinas Powys, after Mass at 10.00am, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place until 4pm, when it will end with Benediction. During the day, there will be confessions from 10.30am until 11.30 am, and again in the afternoon from 2pm until 3pm. This is a time of Grace for the Parish and it is an opportunity, for individuals and families to re-connect with the devotion of the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament outside of Mass. We do so in union with all the other Catholics throughout the world - and in solidarity with Pope Francis.

The Blessed Sacrament must not be left unattended throughout the day and parishioners from BOTH our parish communities should come together in an act of common worship by making a visit to the Lord sometime during that day.

Cardiff Deanery Lenten Mass

Coinciding with the Holy Year of Mercy, our Deanery Lenten Mass this year will take place on **Monday 7th March at St. David's Cathedral Cardiff at 7pm.** We look forward especially on this Jubilee Year for a good representation from both of our parish communities.

Parish Advisory Council (PAC)

The next meeting of the PAC will be on **Thursday 25th February** at 7.30pm in St. Mary's hall. At that meeting the new members will be welcomed. **Would all the present membership please note the date of the next meeting.**

SVP - The next meeting of the SVP will be on **Tuesday 16th February** in St. Mary's hall at 2.15pm.

CAFOD- Lenten Fast Day –Friday 19th February Collect your Fast Day Envelopes TODAY

This year, on CAFOD's Lenten Fast Day, we will have an opportunity as a Catholic community to ensure that girls living in the poorest countries are free to change their lives by getting an education. CAFOD is providing water so that girls do not have to fetch water every day. They will have more time for school, study, and play. The government is matching every pound we raise. **Take an envelope away with you and return it next weekend (20th/21st of February).** Thank you

Cardiff Deanery Penitential Services During Lent.

During the 5th week of Lent Mon-Fri (March 14th to March 18th) Penitential Services will be held each afternoon and each evening across the Cardiff Deanery in different parishes. A different team of Priests will be available at each of the services for Confessions. More details will be announced later.