



PENARTH

ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



DINAS POWYS

Parish Newsletter

The Archdiocese of Cardiff: Charitable Incorporated Organisation No.1177272

16th July 2023

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

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

The Parable of the Sower: pockets of rich soil.

In today's Gospel Jesus teaches the people using word-imagery that they could understand. Jesus was a master storyteller and he knew that a narrative would communicate a message far more powerfully than abstract thought. So the parable of the Sower focusses on what is essential to people for their survival – the conditions for growing crops.

What he says is that it is not the quality of their basic material (the seeds) that matters; nor the weather (whether it rains or not); it is where the seeds are planted that really counts.

We often use metaphors about seeds in our everyday language – for example, we speak of sowing an idea, or sowing seeds of doubt. Jesus uses the metaphor of sowing the seeds of faith. But what happens to that faith is down to where the seed is planted. Jesus uses different types of soil environment to illustrate how difficult it is for the seeds of faith to grow in different types of people. In each of them the seeds don't stand a chance of survival because the person is unprepared, uncommitted, with little or no conviction. However, all is not lost. Some seeds fall in pockets of rich soil and the Holy Spirit can work even with such a small base line of fertile material to produce a harvest of thirty, sixty or a hundredfold

So the message is this: how do we ensure that we become pockets of rich soil, where our faith will bear fruit? A start is being here at Mass today. Gardeners talk about cultivation: if we cultivate the habit of listening to God regularly through prayer, through attending Mass, and loving one another and those in need, then we will be enriched and faith will grow. However, faith is not something that happens once and for all. Like the garden, we need to work at it constantly so that the seeds planted in us can flourish, and keep on flourishing.



DAMIAN PETER MICHAEL BARRY RIP

It was with great sadness that we heard of the unexpected death of Damian who died on Sunday 18th June. Our thoughts and prayers are with Damian's family at this time. We also extend our condolences to Tony, Damian's father, and to the rest of the family. A Funeral Mass will take place in St Joseph's Penarth on Wednesday 19th July at 11.30am and afterwards at the Vale Crematorium. *"May he rest peace"*

SEA SUNDAY – THANK YOU.

Thank you for giving to Sea Sunday. Our two parish communities raised a total of £839.87. Your generous gifts will ensure that Stella Maris (formerly Apostleship of the Sea) chaplains continue to be a friend for seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more about how your support helps those who live and work at sea, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk

TOILETRIES FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS. NEXT WEEK.

We have been collecting toiletries for Asylum Seekers for some years now, although it has been a year since the last drop. SPACE4u is the charity we support and they operate from Newport Rd. in Cardiff. They are currently desperate for the following items: shampoo, razors, deodorants, toilet rolls and laundry tablets.

You are invited to bring in your donations next weekend (23rd July). There will be boxes at the back of both churches. This is for **one weekend only**. Other drops are planned.



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Website coordinator: Daniel Murray

Schools
St. Joseph's RC Primary School
Sully Road, Penarth. Tel: 029 2070 2864
Email: stjosephsps@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

St. Richard Gwyn Catholic High School
Argae Lane, Barry. Tel: 01446 729250
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St. David's Catholic College (6th Form)
Ty Gwyn Rd. Penylan, Cardiff. CF23 5QD
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Church Hall Bookings (Suspended)
St. Joseph's – refer parish priest.
St. Mary's – refer parish priest.

Newsletter Contributions by Wednesday please to:
Email: parish.gazette@gmail.com

**Please note that your emails will be sent automatically from
this address to Monsignor Joe.**

Archdiocesan Child Safeguarding Group
Helpline: 029 2034 3811

Contacts: St. Joseph's – Mary Taylor: 029 2065 8506
St. Mary's – Nicky Price 029 2051 4034

Emergency Sick Calls. (There are restrictions).

- (i) Hospitals: Llandough and UHW – Ask a nurse to call out the priest-on-call. (or contact the Hospital Chaplaincy on (029) 2184 3230)
- (ii) Marie Curie Hospice, (Holme Tower) Penarth, Ask a nurse to Ring the Parish Priest of the patient or ring St. Joseph's Penarth on (029) 2070 8247
- (iii) Local Nursing/Care Homes – Please ring the presbytery number in Penarth (as above).

YOUR GIFTS TO THE CHURCH 9th July 2023.

	Gift Aid	Loose	Total
St. Joseph's	£206.50	£354.10	£560.60
St. Mary's	£ 53.50	£107.94	<u>£161.44</u>
			£722.04

(Income from standing orders approx. £500 weekly).

Stella Maris	£839.87
Standing Orders (June)	£2505.25

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 31st MARCH 2023

The parish financial statement for 2022/2023 is at the back of both churches in the form of a green handout sheet. Any queries contact martin@martinprice.com

TO ALL ALTAR SERVERS.

There is to be a National Mass for Altar Servers to be hosted by the Archdiocese of Cardiff at the Metropolitan Cathedral Church of St. David, Cardiff, on Saturday 14th October 2023 at 12 noon. The Principal celebrant will be the Most Rev. Mark O'Toole, Archbishop of Cardiff and Bishop of Menevia.. All altar Servers welcome. See Poster.

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY. Next week.

This third annual Day for Grandparents and the Elderly takes place next Sunday 23rd July, the fourth Sunday of July. Pope Francis instituted this day in 2021 since he believes grandparents are often forgotten, yet they "are the link between generations, passing on the experience of life and faith to the young", Pope Francis chose as this year's theme "His mercy is from age to age" which expresses the link with World Youth Day, 1st – 6th Aug. 2023 which will take place shortly thereafter in Lisbon, Portugal.

The World Youth Day's theme; "Mary arose and went with haste" shows us, how the young Mary sets out to go and find her elderly cousin, Elizabeth, and who loudly proclaims, in the Magnificat, the strength of the alliance between young and old.

On the occasion of the Day, the Holy Father will preside over a eucharistic Liturgy in St. Peter's Basilica and he invites parishes, dioceses, associations and ecclesial communities from all over the world to celebrate the Day in their own pastoral context.

Footnote: The morning Mass on Wednesday in St. Joseph's is at **11.30am** and is a Requiem Mass for Damian Barry.

Please pray for our sick:

St. Joseph's: Valerie Catterall, Muriel Perry, Veronica Hooper, John and Sandra Curtin, Joyce Potter, Alan and Yvonne Simons and Barbara Duffey.

St. Mary's: Mary Isherwood, Liz Evans, Anne Dean, Hilary Benton, Philip Hanley, Kevin Lamb, Marika Tarbet, Anne Fowler, Josie Coles and Val Kacal.

(Please include others we know of with serious health issues)

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TIMES OF MASSES

ALL MASSES AND SERVICES IN ST. JOSEPH'S ARE STREAMED LIVE.

Saturday	July 15th	St Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)	
	St. Joseph's	10am-11am	Sacrament of Reconciliation
MASS OF SUNDAY	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Thanksgiving (Diana Manning) 707
Sunday	July 16th	15th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)	
	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Williams Family 700
	St. Mary's	11.15am	Albert Stimpson (Pat) 637
After Mass	St. Mary's	on request	Sacrament of Reconciliation
BAPTISM	St. Mary's	3.00pm	Tomos Stephen Francis James Samuel
Monday	July 17th	Weekday in Ordinary Time Year 1 Week 15	
	St Joseph's	9.30am	Sisters of Llantarnam Abbey (Celia Pile) 714
Tuesday	July 18th	Weekday in Ordinary Time Year 1 Week 15	
NO MASS			
Wednesday	July 19th	Weekday in Ordinary Time Year 1 Week 15	
FUNERAL MASS	St. Joseph's	11.30am	Damian Peter Michael Barry RIP
Thursday	July 20th	Weekday in Ordinary Time Year 1 Week 15	
	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Priest's Intention
Friday	July 21st	St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church	
	St. Joseph's	6.15pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	St. Joseph's	7.00pm	Priest's Intention (Danielle and Diane) 712
Saturday	July 22nd	St Mary Magdalene (Feast)	
	St. Joseph's	10am-11am	Sacrament of Reconciliation
MASS OF SUNDAY	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Private Intention (Celia Pile) 713
Sunday	July 23rd	16th Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)	
	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Stella McBride (Efed) 711
	St. Mary's	11.15am	Mo and Brian Mullan (StM UCM) 710
After Mass	St. Mary's	on request	Sacrament of Reconciliation



The main doors of St Joseph's and St. Mary's Churches
will be closed outside of Service times.

