





# **PARISH GAZETTE**

Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380



# Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A) 17th August 2014

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Isaiah 56:6-7 Isaiah highlights God's recognition of the foreigners among

the Israelites who observe the covenant. All the nation will be

blessed by God.

Ps.66 R/ Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise

you.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Romans 11:13-15. 29-32 Paul hopes that Gentiles, as well as the Jews, will enjoy the

mercy of the Lord.

Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my

voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 15:21-28 The story of the Canaanite woman, whom Jesus hails as a

person of "great faith".

# **Canon Joe Away**

Canon Joe will be away next weekend and the Masses at St. Joseph's and St. Mary's will be celebrated by His Grace Archbishop George. Please note there will be NO EVENING MASS in St. Mary's next Sunday.

#### Tom Burns R.I.P.

With sadness we heard of the death of Tom in Velindre during the week. Our thoughts are with Pauline and the family at this sad time. A Funeral Mass will take place in St. Mary's on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August** at 12 noon and afterwards interment at St. Andrew's Major.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

# **Holy Hour and Evening Prayer for Vocations**

You are invited to St David's Cathedral for a Holy Hour for the sanctification of priests and vocations for the priesthood and religious life. It takes place at **6pm at St David's Cathedral on Wednesday the 27th of August.** More information is available on the Diocesan Vocations' page on Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CardiffVocations">www.facebook.com/CardiffVocations</a>

# RCIA. Thinking of becoming a Catholic?

If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic and don't know how to take the first step, have a word with Canon Joe, perhaps after Mass, during this month of August. The first step is always an informal one, and begins with a chat. The preparation programme for adults begins in October.

The Middle East in Crisis - CAFOD Gaza /Iraq Appeal

We have all been watching the unfolding situation across the Middle East and the plight of the people in Gaza and Israel, as well as the humanitarian disaster in Iraq where religious minorities like Christians and the Azidis are fleeing their homes in fear for their lives.

There will be a special Gaza/Iraq Appeal for CAFOD on the weekend of 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> August. Special envelopes will be available to take away next weekend for your donations.

Annual Pilgrimages coming soon: See Posters St. John Kemble: Welsh Newton. Sunday 24th August. St David Lewis: Usk – Sunday 31st August.

### **Exam Results**

Congratulations to the students who gained successful results in their 'A' level and 'AS' exams this week. Well done to those who worked hard this year to achieve the grades they require for their future studies/careers.

# **Coffee Morning in aid of Progressio**

The annual coffee morning was held at All Saints Church hall last Saturday and the event raised £490 for the HIV/AIDS project in Zimbabwe. Once again the Sully Terrace Allotment Association provided a marvellous selection of vegetables and fruit and without doubt was the highlight of this annual event. Thanks must be given for all the help and support that was received by those, too many to name, but whose contribution made for a very successful morning.