





PENARTH

Parish Newsletter

The Archdiocese of Cardiff: Charitable Incorporated Organisation No.1177272

17th December 2023

Third Sunday of Advent (B) Gaudete Sunday

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

ARCHBISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER TODAY

Archbishop Mark has sent a Pastoral letter to be read out today at all Masses in every Parish of the Archdiocese of Cardiff and the Diocese of Menevia. It concerns the proposed unification of the two Dioceses into one. Over the next six months there will be a full Consultation Process involving Clergy, Religious and Laity across the two Dioceses which will involve Open Listening meetings on 22nd Feb (Thur) 5:00pm at All Hallows Miskin, 7th March (Thur) 5:00pm at Belmont Abbey, 10th April (Wed) 5:00pm at St Mary's Newport, 24th April (Wed) 5:00pm at St Illtyd' Dowlais and 15th May (Wed) 5:00pm at the Cornerstone, Cardiff. Further information will be forthcoming in the New Year.

PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE FINAL WEEK

Again this weekend, parishioners will be invited to send a Christmas card to one of four prisoners of conscience (POCs), representing the many hundreds all over the world in jail for their beliefs. Your message will let them know that they are not forgotten. Handouts with details of the POCs will be distributed at all Masses, encouraging you to send a card with your own message of hope to one of them **and then post it yourself**. All the details and addresses are on the handout. It costs £2.20 to send a card to any country around the world. Some beautiful cards made by a young parishioner will be for sale in the hall after 11.15am Mass in St Mary's for £0.50.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE - PAUSE

During Advent, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Joseph's, has been set aside for **Prayers for Peace in Israel and Gaza**. We will pause now for a break over Christmas and New year and review the situation then. Thanks to everyone who joined us on Friday evenings before Mass and for those who watched it on stream.

"FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND" CHARITY.

The donations received in the November Dead list envelopes totaled £817.50 which has been sent in the first instance to the Diocese, in lieu of Crib offerings they are collecting from across the Diocese over Christmas. The Crib offerings will be split between **Aid to the Holy Land**, through the work of Friends of the Holy Land and the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre, - and **Caritas** Cardiff and Menevia.

Despite being a tiny minority, Christians show love for their neighbours, indiscriminately, by manning many hospitals, social services, youth work and quality education for all peoples of all faiths, in the West Bank, Jordan and Israel. They are a force for life and peace.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE CARDS

Christmas Day this year occurs on the Monday resulting in a double weekend. The Fourth Sunday of Advent / Christmas Eve are both on Sunday (24th). The dates and times of Christmas Services are set out on a special card and they are available at the back of both Churches. Please take one.

ADVENT EVENTS IN ST RICHARD GWYN HS

St Richard Gwyn High Scholl invites you to prepare for Christmas by joining them for a **Service of readings, music and drama**, led by the pupils entitled "We saw his star" which takes place on Tuesday 19th Dec at 6pm in the school. Tickets are free but please contact the school to reserve a seat. See Poster.

St Richard Gwyn SVP Group invite you to their "Cake & Carols" afternoon at the school on Wed 20th Dec between 2.45 and 3.45. There will also be a craft stall, raffle and refreshments. All welcome. See Poster.



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Monsignor Boardman can be contacted on the parish e-mail: penarth@rcadc.org

Permanent Deacon: Rev. Elfed Jones Tel: 07950 013224 email: <u>elfed.jones@rcadc.org</u>

Parish Website: <u>www.stjosephsandstmarys.com</u> 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 Email: d.blackwell@strichardgwyn.co.uk

St. David's Catholic College (6th Form) Ty Gwyn Rd. Penylan, Cardiff. CF23 5QD Tel: 029 2049 8555 Email: enquiries@st-davids-coll.ac.uk

Parish Advisory Council Chair Bill Nolan Tel: 029 2070 2056 Email: billnolan14@gmail.com

Church Hall Bookings St. Joseph's – Christiane Cantlay 2070 4857 St. Mary's – Nicky Price 2051 4034

Newsletter Contributions by <u>Wednesday</u> 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.

- Hospitals: Llandough and UHW Ask a nurse to call out the priest-on-call. (or contact the Hospital Chaplaincy on (029) 2184 3230)
- Marie Curie Hospice, (Holme Tower) Penarth, 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 GIFT	S TO THE CH	URCH 10th Dec	ember 2023
	Gift Aid	Loose	Total
St. Joseph's	£232.10	£371.31	£603.41
St. Mary's	£ 31.00	£119.16	<u>£150.16</u>
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(Income fro	m standing ord	lers approx. £500	weekly).
Piety Shop			£30.00
SVP			£10.00
Monthly Standing Orders (Nov)			£2510.25

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

KATHLEEN RYAN RIP

Kathleen passed away on 25th November aged 76 years. We extend our condolences to the family at this difficult time. Please remember her in your prayers. A funeral Service will take place in St. Joseph's on Thurs 21st December at 12.30pm followed by interment in Penarth cemetery. **May she rest in peace.**

KEVIN JOSEPH DRISCOLL RIP

Kevin died at 7 Plassey Street Penarth on 8th December aged 72 years. We remember his family at this time of sadness. A funeral Mass will take place in St. Joseph's on Friday 5th January at 12.45pm, followed by burial at Western cemetery.

May he rest in peace.

2024 YEARBOOK AND DIRECTORY

The 2024 Yearbooks have arrived and are available at the back of both Churches and in the Piety Shop in St Joseph's – price \pounds 5 each.

CHILDRENS ADVENT SERVICE SUNDAY DEC 17TH

We welcome the children form year 3 and 4 from our primary school to their annual Advent Service here in St Joseph's today. The service begins at 3pm. All welcome.

EDUCATION OFFICER

The Archdiocese of Cardiff is looking to appoint a part-time permanent Education Officer. The post holder will be part of the Education Departmental team providing administrative support in particular, but not exclusively, to the Director of Religious Studies. The closing date for applications is 5th January. Please contact <u>arobertson@rcadc.org</u> for an application form.

UNIVERSE CATHOLIC PAPER AT BACK OF CHURCH.

There were four copies of the Universe newspaper that remained unsold after last weekend. If you can take one, please do so at a cost of \pounds 3.50. Monies can be put in to the collection plate.

Please pray for our sick:

St. Joseph's: Valerie Catterall, Veronica Hooper, John Curtin, Joyce Potter, Alan and Yvonne Simons, Haydn Trow, Joe Donovan, little Dubheasa (Crowe family), and John Parkman.

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

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TIMES OF MASSES

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

Saturday	December 16th	Weekday of Advent			
	St. Joseph's	10am-11am	Sacrament of Reconciliation		
MASS OF SUNDAY St. Joseph's		5.00pm	George & Agnes Henry (Bennett) 806		
Sunday	December 17th	3rd Sunday of A	Advent (Gaudete Sunday)		
	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Ted Geary (Family) 833		
	St. Mary's	11.15am	John and Kath Frost (Family) 803		
After Mass	St. Mary's	on request	Sacrament of Reconciliation		
ADVENT SERVICE	St. Joseph's	3.00pm	Featuring the children of St. Joseph's School		
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Monday December 18th		3rd Week of Advent			
	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Sandra Curtain (Hartrey) 846		
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Tuesday December 19th		3rd Week of Ad	3rd Week of Advent		
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Wednesday	December 20th	3rd Week of Ad	3rd Week of Advent		
	St. Joseph's	s 10.00am	Mary and Ron Baker (Stimpson) 769		
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Thursday	December 21st	3rd Week of Advent			
	St. Joseph's	s 9.30am	Pat and Bill Jones (Family) 796		
FUNERAL SERV	/ICE St. Joseph's	s 12.30pm	Kathleen Ryan R.I.P.		
Friday December 22nd		3rd Week of Advent			
	St. Joseph's	6.15pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament		
	St. Joseph's	7.00pm	Little Dubheasa [Wellbeing] (Somerville) 847		
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	St. Joseph's	10am-11.00am	Sacrament of Reconciliation		
MASS OF SUND	AY St. Joseph's	5.00pm	Hardiman Intention (Family) 471		
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Sunday	December 24th	4th Sunday of A	Advent		
ADVENT 4	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Priest's Intention.		
ADVENT 4	St. Mary's	11.15am	Terry and Mike Reeves (Mo and Mary) 836		
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	St. Marv's	3.00pm	Crid Service		
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The main doors of St Joseph's and St. Mary's Churches



will be closed outside of Service times.