



ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



PARISH GAZETTE

The Archdiocese of Cardiff: Charitable Incorporated Organisation No.1177272

4th Sunday of Advent (C)

19th December 2021.

1st Reading Micah 5: 1-4

In Bethlehem the prophet declares, the saviour will be born.

Ps 79:2-3. 15-16, 18-19, R/ v.4

*God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.*

2nd Reading Hebrews 10:5-10

Christ came into the world to do God's will.

Acclamation: Lk 1: 38

*Alleluia alleluia!
I am the handmaid of the Lord;
let what you have said be done to me.
Alleluia!*

Gospel: Luke 1: 39-45

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Elizabeth declares Mary to be of all women "the most blessed".

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

THE SPREAD OF THE OMICRON VARIANT.

The government will be reintroducing some Covid restrictions after Boxing Day to try to stem the alarming rate of infections prevalent at the moment. 2-metre Social Distancing again could impact on the size of our congregations at Mass and the use of the church halls. The Christmas Masses will not be affected.

SVP ADVENT APPEAL ENDS TODAY

The Advent Appeal for the SVP ends this weekend. If you would like to contribute you can still do so. The special collection bins will remain at the back of church for one last weekend.

CAFOD: AFGAN CRISIS APPEAL.

CAFOD is combining efforts with the Disasters Emergency Committee to launch the Afghanistan Crisis appeal. As we have seen on our TV screens, 8 million people are on the brink of starvation. You can donate directly on the CAFOD website: cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal or through the DEC

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

The retiring collections taken at the Christmas Eve/Day Masses will constitute the annual Christmas offerings to the priest. Any Gift Aid envelopes or non-Gift Aid (other than the pink ones specifically for this purpose) will go to the parish.

CHRISTMAS MASS IN WELSH

St. Teilo's Church, Whitchurch, 4pm, Friday December 24th.

Vigil Mass of Christmas. Also streamed on the parish website. All Welcome. Bi-lingual leaflets available. Contact carys@caerdelyn.com.

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL ADVENT SERVICE.

Again this year, the school has created a virtual service due to the continuing pandemic.

Parishioners can view the iMovie of the Advent Service by clicking on the link below:

[Key Stage 2 Advent Production 2021](#)

For GDPR and safeguarding reasons, you are asked not to download the iMovie or share it on any public on-line site.

THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS 2021-2023

A handout was distributed last week explaining the "Synodal" process. We are to come together as a parish and pool our collective and individual experience of "church" at a series of parish meetings in January and February. Thus we will try to ensure that everyone who wants to, has the chance to contribute. More information will be given after Christmas.

CHRISTMAS MASSES.

Christmas this year falls on a Saturday which means that the Christmas celebration extends into the weekend making it a "double weekend." There are no tickets this year. Entry will be on a first-come basis so people are asked to come early. **Special cards have been printed and are available again this weekend.** (A specimen is attached to this gazette)

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TIMES OF MASSES
MASSES WITH A FULL CONGREGATION*
(SUBJECT TO SOME COVID RESTRICTIONS)

Saturday*	Dec 18th	4th Sunday of Advent (C)	
Public Mass	St. Joseph's	5.00pm	John and Nell O'Donovan (Anne & Chris) 161
Streamed Live			
Sunday*	Dec 19th	4th Sunday of Advent (C)	
Public Mass	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Peter Cummins (Judy & Family) 202
Streamed Live			
Public Mass	St. Mary's	11.15am	Des Roblin (Kit) 207
Weekdays of Advent. Week 4.			
Monday	Dec 20th	Weekday in Advent	
Live streamed	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Private Int'n (Trow) 232
Tuesday	Dec 21st	Weekday in Advent	
MASS IN PRIVATE		9.00am	Pat & Bill Jones (Family) 175
Wednesday	Dec 22nd	Weekday in Advent	
Live streamed	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Mary & Ron Baker (Stimpson) 168
Thursday	Dec 23rd	Weekday in Advent	
MASS IN PRIVATE		9.00am	Fr. John Meredith (William) 199
Friday*	Dec 24th	The Vigil of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Solemnity.	
Public Masses	St. Joseph's	7.00pm	Vigil Mass of Christmas.
Streamed live	St. Joseph's	10.00pm	Mass of Midnight
Saturday*	Dec 25th	The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Solemnity	
Public Mass	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Dawn Mass of Christmas
Streamed live			
Public Mass	St. Mary's	11.15am	Day Mass of Christmas
	NO	EVENING	MASS
Sunday*	Dec 26th	The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph. Feast.	
Public Mass	St. Joseph's	9.30am	Kevin McCarthy & Debbie Evans (Bernadette) 148
Streamed live			
Public Mass	St. Mary's	11.15am	People of the parish, living and dead.



"The Lord says this: You, Bethlehem, the least of the clans of Judah, out of you will be born for me the one who is to rule over Israel; his origin goes back to the distant past, to the days of old. He himself will be peace." (Micah 1-2,4)





A SAVIOUR IS BORN

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CHRISTMAS 2021

St Joseph's and St Mary's Parish Penarth and Dinas Powys

Friday 24th December - Christmas Eve

7.00pm St Joseph's Penarth, Vigil Mass of Christmas

10.00pm St Joseph's Penarth, Mass of Midnight

Saturday 25th December - Christmas Day

9.30am St Joseph's Penarth, Dawn Mass of Christmas

11.15am St Mary's Dinas Powys, Day Mass of Christmas

NO EVENING MASS

Sunday 26th December - Feast of the Holy Family

9.30am St Joseph's, Penarth, Usual Sunday Mass

11.15am St Mary's Dinas Powys, Usual Sunday Mass

ALL MASSES FROM ST JOSEPH'S ARE STREAMED LIVE.

Visit: stjosephsandstmarys.com

Click on: "Live Mass".