



ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



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Parish Newsletter

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21st Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C

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http://www.stjosephsandstmarys.com/mass_readings.html

ENTER BY THE NARROW GATE.

When we come to some magnificent building, with a wide impressive doorway, entry into that building seems easy. And yet we would only be visiting that place for a relatively short time. To really enter a building; to really belong to that place; needs more than a grand entrance. We need to find some indication that this is a place where we belong – a place that has been prepared for us. Perhaps this is behind the idea of the narrow door that Jesus refers to in today's Gospel and through which he asks us to enter.

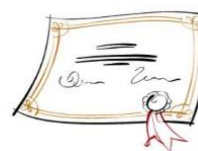
How narrow is it? Just as narrow as we are, because it fits us and no one else. This is the way we are to enter. The great doorway can give us the delusion that we are great too. The small way teaches us humility and also shows us that we enter the Kingdom through a doorway shaped by God just for us. [Living Word]

ANNUAL PARISH ACCOUNTS

A pamphlet showing the Annual Parish Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2022 is available and you will find them at the back of both churches. Any queries should be directed to Dr Martin Price Chair of the finance committee, by email : martin@martinprice.com

ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

If you are such a person, why not make yourself known to Monsignor Joe during August, by sending him an email on his private email (priesthouse@aol.com). It starts with a chat and you are under no obligation. Maybe now is the right time for you.



THINKING OF OUR STUDENTS

This past week our A level and AS level students received their results, and we trust that they got the results that they worked hard for. This week it is the turn of our students waiting for the GCSE results and we will be thinking of them especially this week.



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

St Mary's Social Committee are holding a SKITTLES EVENING on **Friday 30th September 2022 at The Royal British Legion in Llandough** (behind Llandough Hall off Penlan Road). Tickets are FREE but we need to know numbers which will be restricted to the first 60 people! If interested please contact Mo Misra on mo.misra1@gmail.com

MESSAGE FROM OUR VOCATIONS DIRECTOR.

Thank you to those who attended or supported the vocations Holy Hour last Wednesday, in The University Chaplaincy. We had a good turn out and have three discerners who have been quite consistent in their journey, so I ask if you could keep them in your prayers.

One of our seminarians, Dale Cutlan, from Aberdare, has had a recent bereavement. His father sadly passed away following a terminal illness. The funeral is on Thursday and we ask if you can keep Dale and his family in your prayers. [Fr Nick Williams]