



ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



PENARTH

PARISH GAZETTE

DINAS POWYS

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C) 24th January 2016

1st Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6. 8-10

Ezra the priest reads and explains the Law to the people, assuring them that “the joy of the Lord is your stronghold”.

Ps. 18:8-10, 15 *R/*

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Just as the body is one, though it has many members, so too is Christ. Each member has need of the others with their particular gifts.

Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has sent me to bring the good news to the poor. To proclaim liberty to captives. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4. 4:14-21

Luke introduces his Gospel and then records Jesus' initial teaching at Nazareth, a summary of his entire ministry.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

We have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in both our churches on a weekly basis: **Friday (St. Joseph's) from 6.15 to 7pm and Saturday (St. Mary's) from 9.30 to 10am.** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament forms an integral part of the Year of Mercy. The Gift of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is itself an Act of Mercy on behalf of God the Father. At the end of each period of Exposition we say the Prayer of Pope Francis for the Year of mercy. Canon Joe would like to see more people from both parish communities attending the period of Adoration before Mass during this Holy Year.

Holy Door – St. Mary's, Newport

The Door of Mercy reflection card at St. Mary's, Newport is entitled 'The Hour of Mercy'. The people and clergy of All Saints, Newport invite you to a Holy Hour with Divine Mercy prayers **every Friday between 2 to 3pm** during the Holy Year - a great opportunity to make pilgrimage through the Holy Door and spend the hour up to the time of Our Lord's death on the cross (The Hour of Mercy) with him. All are welcome.

SPUC White Flower Appeal – Thank You!

A total of £1,024.14 was raised between both our churches. Well done and thank you again.

Fr. Joseph Mullen IC R.I.P.

With sadness we heard of the death of Fr Joe Mullen last week. He was assistant priest in St. Alban's, Splott. Our thoughts are with the Rosminian Community at this time and the people of the parishes where he served. Please remember him in your prayers. Funeral arrangements will be announced in due course.

Nominations for Election to the Parish Advisory Council (PAC)

Nominations closed on Sunday 17th January and were received from: -

Mrs. Christiane Cantlay,
Mrs Joyce Harding,
Mr Bill Nolan,
Mrs Elizabeth Reid
Mrs Susan Patrick.

As there were five vacancies to be filled, the above nominees are duly elected on to the PAC for a term of three years and there is, therefore, no need for elections to be held this year. We convey our gratitude and appreciation to the outgoing members for giving their time and their expertise to the parish in this way.

SVP - The next meeting of the SVP will be on **Tuesday 2nd February in St. Joseph's Hall at 2.15pm.**