



ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



PARISH GAZETTE

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

Seventh Sunday of Eastertide A

May 24th 2020.

1st Reading: Acts 1: 12-14

When the Lord seemed to depart, the disciples turned to prayer, and Jesus was still there.

Ps. 26:1-4,7-8, R/v.13

*I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
In the land of the living.*

2nd Reading: I Peter: 4: 13-16

Just as we find healing in hospitals, so the early Christians found freedom in imprisonment, the true freedom in Christ.

Acclamation: Jn 14:18

*Alleluia, alleluia !
I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;
I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.
Alleluia !*

Gospel: John 17: 1-11

Christ is the true priest, and there are many ways of sharing his priesthood

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

A TIME OF WAITING.

We find ourselves in a time of waiting, as we wait for the current lockdown to be lifted. So too the time between the Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost was a time of waiting for the disciples of Jesus, as they waited to see what would happen next.

The Ascension of Jesus was not "mission accomplished". It was merely the turning point from one phase of his mission to another. And the next phase of his mission was going to involve all his disciples, those with him then, and those who would follow.

But they didn't know where to begin. It was like giving a person one of the latest electronic devices, but without giving them the charger - without the actual power to make it work.

This is why the Ascension of the Lord points us towards another great feast, the Feast of Pentecost next Sunday. The coming of the Holy Spirit was the Power of God – the power supply if you like – which would transform the disciples into "Apostles" – and equip them to carry out the mission that Jesus had given them. Without the Holy Spirit they were powerless and ineffective.

And without the Holy Spirit we too are powerless and ineffective witnesses of the Gospel. Yes sometimes, due to our neglect, our power levels can run down and become flat, like a car battery when not used regularly.

Do our spiritual batteries have enough charge to see us through the weeks and months ahead? Are we prepared spiritually to meet the challenges coronavirus presents us with? The Feast of Pentecost reminds us that each year the Holy Spirit comes to renew that Gift of the Spirit within us. "Come Holy Spirit". What a Gift! Worth waiting for. (Mgr).

PATIENCE IS A NECESSARY VIRTUE.

This is our 10th weekend in Lockdown. During that time we have been at the mercy of the Coronavirus Pandemic, with our churches in mothballs, preventing us from celebrating Mass and the sacraments together as we have been so used to doing.

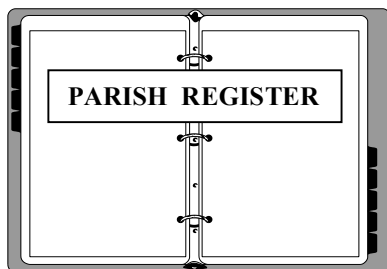
We are not alone in this, of course. Every parish is affected in the same way and we are waiting anxiously for the governments in Westminster and Cardiff to begin lifting some of the restrictions so that a phased re-opening of churches can begin. However we know that this is not going to happen until it is "safe to do so" and even when it is safer, there will be strings attached in terms of social distancing, restriction of numbers, and protective hygiene procedures. All in all, the liturgical, spiritual and pastoral life of the Church will resume only gradually and step by step.

So we must be patient and keep reminding ourselves why the Lockdown was imposed in the first place. What is only a grave inconvenience to us, has hit many, many, others with tragic consequences.

So even though our churches remain closed, we can still pray for the deceased, the bereaved, the sick and those who look after them and all those who play a supportive role in our society in any way. "God bless them all". (Mgr)

CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR PARISHES

This week we are asked to pray for Cardiff University Catholic Chaplaincy, with the University Chaplain Fr. Sebastian Jones of the Cardiff Oratory-in-Formation.



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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 6XL
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St. Mary's – Judith Braeman. Tel: 029 2051 5309

Gazette Contributions by Wednesday please to:
Email: parish.gazette@gmail.com
Please note that your emails will be sent automatically from this address to Monsignor Joe and Deacon Elfed.

Archdiocesan Child Safeguarding Group
Helpline: 029 2034 3811
Contacts: St. Joseph's – Mary Taylor: 029 2065 8506
St. Mary's – Anne Chilcott: 029 2140 2942

Emergency sick calls

- (i) Hospitals: Llandough and UHW – Ask a nurse to call out the priest-on-call. (or contact the Hospital Chaplaincy on (029) 2184 3230)
- (ii) Marie Curie Hospice, (Holme Tower) Penarth, Ask a nurse to 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).

TO ARRANGE A BANKERS ORDER.

To set up a Bankers Order these are the details you require
To The Manager (Your Bank)
PLEASE PAY TO: Barclays Bank Queen St. Cardiff.
BANK SORTING CODE 20-18- 23
TO THE CREDIT OF:
Archdiocese of Cardiff – Parish of St. Joseph's & St. Mary's, Penarth & Dinas Powys.
ACCOUNT NUMBER : 33170373
THE SUM OF £.....
Amount in words
From (date) ___/___/_____ and monthly thereafter.
Quote Reference (Your Surname and Initials)
FINALLY: Your name, Account Number, Your Sort Code.
You can find a Bankers Order Form and download it. Visit our website and click on Information in the menu.

THE CAFOD CARONAVIRUS APPEAL.

This is a **MAJOR** Appeal and your help is needed **urgently**.
Christine Allen, CAFOD's Director says: "Millions of poor communities have nothing to protect themselves, from its devastating impacts. The potential scale of the pandemic across Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East – as well as among refugee and displaced populations in places such as Syria, South Sudan, Yemen, and Rohingya camps in Bangladesh, is truly frightening. We have set ourselves a target of £1,000. So far we have raised £320.

You can give NOW easily and conveniently, by visiting our CAFOD JustGiving page for parish donations on our website. Just click on the link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/stjosephsandstmarys>

BISHOPS' WEEKLY STREAMED MASSES.

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales recognize the Covid-19 pandemic is affecting every person in our countries at this time: the bereaved; those who are sick and their families; our front line workers in the NHS and in Care Homes; and all those who have a supporting role to play as essential workers. In order to show solidarity with them all, each week on Thursdays, a Catholic Bishop will celebrate Mass in their Cathedral at 7pm, which will be streamed for people to join in. The next Mass is on Thursday 28st May in St. Mary's Cathedral, Middlesbrough. To live stream visit <http://middlesbroughrccathedral.org>

PENARTH FOOD BANK

Donations of food can be delivered directly to Tabernacle Baptist Church on Plassey Street Penarth. They were open (before the Lockdown) every morning until midday to receive donations. Please check that this arrangement still stands. The current needs are soya, laundry products and washing up liquid, toiletries, toothpaste and sugar, as well as the usual list of foodstuffs.

Please pray for our sick.

St. Joseph's: Valerie Catterall, Margaret Osbourne, Muriel Perry, Veronica Hooper, Rosemary Latham, Patrick Webster, Betty Webster, and Norah Berry.

St. Mary's: Lucienne Llewellyn, Mary Isherwood, Betty Thorne, Clare Reece and Liz Evans.

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PRIVATE MASSES

WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY MAY 24TH 2020

Sunday	May 24th	7th Sunday of Eastertide (A)	
MASS IN PRIVATE			Stephen John Hawkins (Diane) 683
7th Week of Eastertide			
Monday	May 25th	Monday Week 7 Easter	
MASS IN PRIVATE			Averil and Paddy Walshe (Joyce H) 728
Tuesday	May 26th	St. Philip Neri. Priest. Memorial.	
MASS IN PRIVATE			Mgr. Anthony Stark (O.B.) 708
Wednesday	May 27th	Wednesday Week 7 Easter	
MASS IN PRIVATE			Anne Isabelle [wellbeing] (Christiane) 722
Thursday	May 28th	Thursday Week 7 Easter	
MASS IN PRIVATE			Pat and Bill Jones (Diane) 726
Friday	May 29th	Friday Week 7 Easter	
MASS IN PRIVATE			Mary Patricia Jones (family) 672
Saturday	May 30th	Saturday Week 7 Easter	
MASS IN PRIVATE			Gertrude and Leonard Payne (Pam) 584
Sunday	May 31st	Pentecost Sunday (Solemnity)	
MASS IN PRIVATE			Doreen Gordon (Joyce H) 729



THE YEAR OF GOD WHO SPEAKS

“There is One thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple.”

(Seventh Sunday of Easter).

