





PARISH GAZETTE

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no.1177272 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)

25th July 2021.

1st Reading 2 Kings 4: 42-44 Instead of using an offering of food for himself, as he would

be entitled to do, Elisha tells his servant to give the food to

the people.

Ps 144:10-11,15-18, R/ v16. You open wide your hand, O Lord,

and grant our desires.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 4:1- 6. The Spirit of God brings unity and peace and calls on us to

be generous and gentle with each other.

Acclamation: Jn 6: 63.68. Alleluia alleluia!

Your words are spirit Lord,

and they are life:

you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

The story of Jesus feeding thousands of hungry people who Gospel: John 6: 1-15

had come to listen to him.

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

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE **ELDERLY. POPE FRANCIS SAYS:**

As my predecessor, Pope Benedict - himself a saintly elderly

person – and who continues to pray and work for the Church, once said: "the prayer of the elderly can protect the world, helping it perhaps more effectively than the frenetic activity of many others." There is something beautiful here. Dear grandmother, dear grandfather and dear elderly friends, your prayer is a very precious resource; a deep breath that the Church and the world urgently need, especially in these difficult times for our human family. As we continue to sail in the same boat across the stormy sea of the pandemic, your intercession for the world and for the Church has great value; it inspires in everyone the serene trust that we will soon come to shore. [A fuller extract from the Pope's message will

SEA SUNDAY: THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN.

be read out at Mass].

The extra collections over the last couple of weeks raised a total of £611.90 for the Apostleship of the Sea (now Stella Maris) This doesn't include donations made to Stella Maris directly – online or otherwise. This was a magnificent response - considering the restriction in the numbers allowed to come to Mass. Stella Maris chaplains and volunteers are working in ports up and down the country and across the world. This collection was vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work.

THE LIFTING OF COVID RESTRICTIONS IN

WALES. The Welsh Government has set the date of 7th August for a decision regarding the lifting of some of the Covid restrictions that have been imposed until now and which have impacted on parish life considerably. England has already made some concessions as from 19th July and no doubt the Welsh Government will be monitoring the situation closely before coming to their own conclusions about the way forward.

Mindful that the pandemic is by no means over and that new infections are on the increase, we must proceed with caution. The Bishops of England and Wales have reflected on how this decision will affect churchgoers. They recognise that some worshippers will be anxious to return to a full and free timetable of Mass and other services. Others will be anxious that safety measures will not be robust enough to ensure that rates of infection will not rise as a result of proximity in churches. Some priests fit into the category of "vulnerable" and will need to take this into account when discussing the process of further re-opening with their parishioners. The advice of the bishops is to take a gradual and

cautious approach to both the timing of changes, and the numbers enabled to come into church at any one time. This will need to be handled with tact and discretion so that a proper evaluation may be made over the summer months. Monsignor Joe has said that risk assessments will have to be in place at each stage of any lifting of present restrictions.

The bottom line has to be: "Is it safe to do this?"



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Web Co-ordinator: 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 6XL

Tel: 029 2049 8555

Email: enquiries@st-davids-coll.ac.uk

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Church Hall Bookings (Suspended)

St. .Joseph's – refer parish priest. St. Mary's – refer parish priest.

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 - Nicky Price 029 2051 4034

Emergency Sick Calls. (There are restrictions).

- (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).

YOUR GIF	TS TO THE CH	IURCH 18TH .	JULY 2021
	Gift Aid	Loose	Total
St. Joseph's	£166.00	£167.10	£333.10
St. Mary's	£8.00	£37.00	£45.00
-			£378.10

(Income from standing orders approx. £500 weekly). Stella Maris (late) £98.90

Standing Orders (June) £2,769.75
Virgin Money Donations (on-line) [June] £115.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

THE SUNDAY "OBLIGATION".

The Bishops of England and Wales are conscious that the lifting of the Sunday Obligation, which has been allowed during the pandemic, cannot go on indefinitely. They are aware that due to the restricted numbers allowed at Sunday Mass, many Catholics have had to tune in to streamed Masses - which have proved to be a popular alternative - even though they could never take the place of us meeting together in church to celebrate the Sunday Eucharist together as a community.

The bishops are also aware that the capacity to fulfil the Sunday obligation may continue to be problematic for some people in the short term. So the Bishops therefore propose that the **First Sunday of Advent** (28th November 2021) is the date when the whole Catholic community will be invited to come together again to celebrate the "Dies Domini" – the Day of the Lord". This can only happen of course if social distancing has been completely removed and full congregations are allowed once again. We must wait and see of course but the Bishops have proposed the November date as a "marker".

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION.

From the end of July (ie. Saturday 7th August) the present format for the sacrament of Reconciliation will change. The priest will still be available on Saturday mornings from 10am to 11am, but confessions will be heard **on request** only. Those who wish to avail themselves of the Sacrament will be most welcome, and if they would let the priest know they are coming in advance, then he will be there to receive them. The way of letting him know is left to the individual. They can e-mail the priest beforehand on his private e-mail address priesthouse@aol.com. Alternatively they can phone the presbytery on (029) 2070 8247 and either leave a message or speak to the priest directly.

This system comes into force at the end of July and will continue through the summer until further notice.

CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR PARISHES.

This week we pray for Our Lady Star of the Sea, Porthcawl which is served from Bridgend. The parish priest is Fr. Tim McGrath. He is helped by Fr. Silvio Briffa who lives in retirement in the parish.

Please pray for our sick.

St. Joseph's: Valerie Catterall, Muriel Perry, Veronica Hooper, Betty Webster, Nora Berry, and Alice Collier.

St. Mary's: Mary Isherwood, Betty Thorne, Liz Evans, Cissie Clifton, Anne Dean, and Hilary Benton.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

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"The Prologue of John's Gospel leads us to ponder the fact that everything that exists is under the sign of the Word. The Word goes forth from the Father, comes to dwell in our midst and then returns to the Father in order to bring with him the whole of creation which was made in him and for him." (Verbum Domini N121

