



ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



PENARTH

PARISH GAZETTE

DINAS POWYS

The Archdiocese of Cardiff, Registered Charity no. 242380

The Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A)

January 29th 2017

1st Reading: Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

Like many prophets, Zephaniah stresses the need for people to seek out the Lord, to heed his word and to become a humble people.

Ps 145:7-10 Rv. Mt 5:3

*How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians
1:26-31

God chose those who are deemed weak in the eyes of the world to be God's own.

Acclamation:

*Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father,
Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom
to mere children.
Alleluia!*

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Jesus outlines those to whom the kingdom of God belongs, including those who are poor in spirit, the merciful, those who mourn and those who hunger and thirst for what is right.

YOUTH SVP – TODAY

This group is raising funds for *Mind in the Vale* to help other young people locally who have mental health issues. This event is for all ages, bring the family along. They are holding an afternoon of fun for all called 'Biscuits and Bingo' on Sunday 29th January from 2.30pm-3.30pm in St. Mary's Hall and will be selling tickets priced at £2 each after Mass. Tickets include coffee or tea, a slice of cake or biscuit and a bingo card.

Donations for the tombola will be gratefully received.

PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING (PAC)

The next meeting of the PAC is on Thursday 2nd February at 7.30pm in St. Joseph's Hall. A good attendance would be appreciated.

CAFOD PYRAMID BOXES – THIS WEEKEND

Thank you for bringing in your CAFOD pyramid boxes this weekend. A reminder that the next collection will take place on the weekend 25th/26th February.

PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL – NOMINATIONS

The Parish Advisory Council (PAC) consists of 12 elected members and 5 ex-officio members. It is a consultative body and advises Canon Joe on Parish matters and on decisions he has to make. The Council meets about 5 times a year. Elected members serve for 3 years, after which time, they are eligible to serve a second term of 3 years and can apply for re-election. After serving two 3-year terms, they have to step down for one year.

This year, only one elected member has to step down after completing two 3 year terms. Three other elected members have completed their first term of 3 years and have indicated that they are prepared to stand for a second term of 3 years. Any parishioner can be nominated to serve on the PAC. Nomination forms are available in both sacristies.

Nominations will close NEXT SUNDAY 5th February after the Evening Mass in Dinas Powys.