

Date for your Diaries: -

Saturday 27th February 2016

There will be a Diocesan Day of Recollection and Refreshment for Ministers of Communion in the Pastoral Centre, St. Illtyd's on **Saturday 27th February 2016**.

Booking details will follow in the New Year.

SVP - The next meeting of the SVP will be on **Tuesday 1st December in St Mary's Hall at 2.15pm**

Nazareth House Christmas Fayre

On **Saturday 5th December** Nazareth House will open its doors at 10.30am for its annual Christmas Fayre. Stalls include: Christmas Plants; Irish Coffee; Games; Fancy Goods; Cakes; Christmas raffle; Bottle Stall and much more. Father Christmas will pay a visit. For further info please contact Nazareth House, Colum Road, Cardiff on 029 2037 4495. See Poster

St. David's Sixth Form College Christmas Party

The annual Community Mass and Christmas Party will take place at the College on **Thursday 17th December** from 12 noon until 3pm for Senior Citizens. A Buffet Tea Party and Entertainment is provided, also prizes and small gifts. Parishioners wishing to attend may give their names to Deacon Elfed (07950 013224) or Sheila Collins (029 2115 3074)

CAFOD "World Gifts" Catalogues

A number of catalogues have been placed at the back of church offering many ALTERNATIVE gifts suitable for Christmas. The refugee crisis in both Europe and the Middle East has prompted CAFOD to include two additional World Gifts this year: **Food for a family** and **Winter survival kit** are both gifts that can help provide the basic necessities to those fleeing war. Other gifts help people in the poorest countries to make a living.

The Promise of Christmas Concert

On **Saturday 5th December** in St. David's Hall, Cardiff, at 3pm and 7.30pm, the Cambrensis Choir & Orchestra, St. David's Praise Choir and the Promise of Christmas Youth Choir (3pm only) will give a seasonal feast of carols, Christmas songs and orchestral music for the whole family.

Tickets: £13 and £11 (with concessions); children under 12: £5 are available from the Box Office Tel: 029 2087 8444 or website: www.stdavidshallcardiff.co.uk.

Marriage Care – Volunteer Opportunity

Have you ever longed to make a difference to society? Do you believe healthy relationships can lead to a better society? Would you like to gain skills and experience whilst helping others build better relationships? Then Marriage Care has the opportunities you are looking for!

Marriage Care is a faith-based organisation that draws on its Catholic Christian tradition and contemporary research to help couples in both good times and bad. They provide marriage preparation courses and relationship counselling for couples across England and Wales.

Their Cardiff Centre is currently looking for **Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators** to support our couples preparing to marry in the Catholic Church. (Training is provided). We are also looking for qualified Counsellors to

provide relationship counselling for those in need (BACP-endorsed training in Relationship Counselling is offered to counsellors not trained as relationship counsellors). For more info, without any commitment, or to apply, visit:

www.marriagecare.org.uk or email:

volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk.

ST. JOSEPH'S

Penarth Cytûn Events

➤ **Carols and Supper**

This event will be hosted by Elfed Avenue Church at 6.30pm on **Friday 4th December**

➤ **March of Light – Saturday 19th December**

Meet at the top of Arcot Street at 3.45pm; the march will start at 4pm moving along Arcot Street into Plassey Street and then Glebe Street, where we will gather in front of the St. Fagan's Public House to sing carols until around 5pm. It is hoped to serve coffee and mince pies to the public during this time.

UCM – The next meeting will take place in St. Joseph's hall on **Monday 30th November** at 7.30pm.

New members welcome – just come along.

Piety Shop – don't forget to pick up your Catholic papers and periodicals. Thank you.

With Advent and Christmas around the corner, there are a variety of cards, advent calendars, and diaries available.

Why not visit the shop after Mass?

ST. MARY'S

UCM – The next meeting of St. Mary's UCM will take place in St. Mary's hall on **Wednesday 2nd December** at 7.30pm It will be a Christmas Extravaganza with cards and gifts available to buy. Anyone wishing to join us will be most welcome.

Film Club for young people in school years 3 to 8!

Come along to our parish film club – it's free! – **today Sunday 29th November** from 2 to 4pm in St. Mary's Church hall. Watch a film with your friends, bring some money for the tuck shop and have fun. **This month's film is "Paddington" (PG).**

St. Joseph's Piety Shop is coming to St. Mary's - TODAY! After the 11.15 Sunday morning Mass **today 29th November** there will be a selection of Christmas items: Advent calendars, diaries, Christmas cards, rosaries and religious icons. Please come and visit us in the hall.

Altar Linen: December: Chris Llewellyn

Please pray for our Sick

St Joseph's: Eileen Sinclair, Femmy Rowlands, Patrick Rickard, Charles Curran, Valerie Catterall, Norma Flanigan, Karen Lyons, Margaret Osborne, Nero Peralta, Gordon Smith, Leslie Moorcroft, John Gibbs, Joe Cronin and Helena Miller.

St. Mary's: Lucienne Llewellyn, Nicholas Barron, Pat Prangley, Bernard McParlin, Terry Jones, Paul Walsh, Mary Isherwood, Betty Thorne, Sheila Docking and John O'Donnell.