



PENARTH

# ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. MARY'S



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## Parish Newsletter

The Archdiocese of Cardiff: Charitable Incorporated Organisation No.1177272

31st July 2022

18th Sunday of Ordinary time (C)

You can also view the full readings online at

[http://www.stjosephsandstmarys.com/mass\\_readings.html](http://www.stjosephsandstmarys.com/mass_readings.html)

### ARE YOU THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

At this time of year Mgr. Joe takes the opportunity to address those people in the congregation who come to our two churches most weekends, and who may have been doing so for years, but are not Catholics. Maybe they have been thinking they would like to know more about the Catholic Faith but don't know what to do or how to go about it. If you are such a person, why not make yourself known to Monsignor during August, by sending him an email on his private email ([priesthouse@aol.com](mailto:priesthouse@aol.com)) and arrange to meet him for a chat. Alternatively, he is always available in the sacristy after Mass. There is no fuss and you will be under no obligation. He will explain the "RCIA Course" to you which runs from October until Easter. Maybe now is the right time for you. Mgr. Joe would love to hear from you.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN THE CATHEDRAL.

The Archdiocese has been allocated the following dates for the visit of the Relics of St. Bernadette -

**11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> September 2022.**

A full programme will be prepared in the coming weeks and circulated. In the meantime please make a note in your diary. You will find more information about the background to the pilgrimage of the Relics on page two of this newsletter.

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Archbishop Mark O'Toole will celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass for **married couples** on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022 at 12 noon in St David's Cathedral. See poster at the back of both churches for further information, or view it on-line as an add-on page to this newsletter. Married couples who are celebrating a significant anniversary or specific event in their relationship can take part by contacting the Family Life Commission. [flc@rcadc.org](mailto:flc@rcadc.org)

### CAFOD PYRAMID BOXES THIS WEEKEND.

Thank you for bringing in your Cafod boxes today to exchange for an empty one. Thanks for all your contributions. Please note that there is no collection of boxes in August. We have traditionally skipped the holiday month of August. The next Cafod Box collection will be on 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> September.

### YOU CAN GIVE DIRECTLY TO CAFOD ONLINE.

The CAFOD online giving page on the parish website has been refreshed after reaching the former target of £6000 that was set up during the pandemic. Nearly 100 donors made up the amount raised and of course CAFOD was thus able to help so many people around the world during the pandemic. A new page has been set up and is accessible via the main menu of the parish website. Anyone can give to CAFOD in his way. New target £1000.

### ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE GRAVE OF ST. JOHN KEMBLE. Monmouth to Welsh Newton. .

Details of the pilgrimage itinerary are set out on a poster which is displayed at the back of both churches. Alternatively you can view the poster online by scrolling down this newsletter to the add-on pages posted there.

Or contact: Mrs M Walsh (pilgrim secretary) 01600 713316

### THANK YOU FOR THE TOILETRIES DROP.

A letter received from Space4U and signed by Val, Cheryl and Ruth, members of the team, says: "Thanks to the parishioners of St. Joseph's and St. Mary's for their generous donation of toiletries and washing powder in June. You have enabled us to offer destitute asylum seekers these items which help so much with their self-respect. Our stocks had diminished considerably due to effects of protracted Covid restrictions. Thank you for your continued support.