

Other News and Events

ST MARY'S NIGHT SHELTER

Our night shelter for the homeless will open up again this year on 19th December. We would be grateful for any donations of sensible warm clothing, new underwear, warm socks, belts, toiletries and duvets. Please leave at the presbytery and/or contact Deacon Maurice on 07747038274. Many thanks!

Fully escorted pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland on 3rd July 2019. £649.00 per person, sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfer, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel with full Irish breakfast each morning and 4 course dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions/guided tours included. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or email: knockpilgrimages@gmail.com to book or for further details

Christmas Buffet Lunch

Senior citizens of our parish are cordially invited to the Annual Christmas Buffet Lunch at Mary Immaculate High School on Thursday 20th December from 12 noon to 3pm. If you wish to attend please call (029) 20593465 and leave a message for M Jeffrey or put your name on the list on the noticeboard. The school needs to know who is going by 17th December.

Advent/Christmas Celebration

Mary Immaculate High School is putting on an Advent/Christmas Celebration on Wednesday 19th December at 7pm in the school. The service will last about 45 minutes and will be performed by pupils from the school and the school choir. Everyone is welcome.

Foodbank Collection

SVP monthly collections of food are as follows:-

St Mary's –this Sunday **16th December** **Holy Family** - the weekend of **5th/6th Jan.**
Please do not leave food in the church at other times. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 16th December	4pm	Carol Service in St. Mary's by the Music Group
Sunday 16th December	4pm	Carol Service in Holy Family Church
Wednesday 19th December	7pm	Carol Service in Mary Immaculate High School
Thursday 20th December	9.30am	Christingle Carol Service in Holy Family School
Thursday 20th December	4pm	St. Mary's School Carol Service
Thursday 20th December	12 noon	Annual Christmas Buffet Lunch for Senior Citizens at Mary Immaculate High School
Saturday 22nd December	10.30 –12noon	Christmas Reconciliation
Christmas Eve	6pm	Christmas Eve Mass in Holy Family
Christmas Eve	9pm	Christmas Eve Mass in St Mary's
Christmas Day	10am	Christmas Day Mass in St Mary's
Christmas Day	11am	Christmas Day Mass in Holy Family
Christmas Day	12 noon	Christmas Day Mass in St Mary's
First Communion Parents' meeting	15th January	6.30 pm Holy Family School
First Communion Parents' meeting	16th January	6.30 pm St. Mary's School

Holy Family & St Mary of the Angels

Keyston Rd, Fairwater CF5 3NP

Kings Rd, Canton CF11 9BX

16th - 23rd December 2018 3rd Sunday of Advent Year C

Third Sunday of Advent (C)

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First Reading (*Zephaniah 3:14-18*) The oracles of Zephaniah come ahead of the destruction of Jerusalem in 587BC and the subsequent exile. He rails against the pride and idolatry which have seen Israel turn from the will of God. The 'Day of Yahweh' will inevitably come, however, and they will be called to account for their infidelity. Yet hope remains, in the midst of it all. A faithful remnant will survive, the 'humble of the land', who will become the foundation for a new beginning. The words of hope and assurance in this reading look towards that future rebirth.

Second Reading (*Philippians 4:4-7*) In concluding his letter to the Philippians, Paul hopes for their happiness. This happiness will derive neither from favourable circumstances, nor, in the main, from human effort, but from a deep trust in the Lord and an awareness of his nearness to them in their needs. For this they can be thankful and, because of it, they can be at peace, whatever the difficulties they experience. Paul is generally believed to have written this letter from prison in Rome.

Gospel Reading (*Luke 3:10-18*) His hearers ask John what they must do in response to his call and in consequence of the baptism he is administering. John spells out in concrete terms what repentance requires, in the various circumstances in which people find themselves. His advice stresses the relational and one's obligations towards others. Confronting the suspicion that he might, himself, be the Messiah, John re-emphasises his merely preparatory role before the one who will baptise with the Holy Spirit.



All parishioners, newcomers and visitors are very welcome to visit St Mary's Parish Hall for a cup of tea or coffee after 10am Mass today.

Holy Family Masses

Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

Vigil Mass 6pm People of the Parish
11.00 Mary Keeley

Thursday

9.30 Bella Delacroix

Friday

12.15 Requiem Mass for Kathleen Welsh

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Vigil Mass 6pm Kath & Tony Davies
11.00 Cath & Robert Pitman and family

Confessions available before each Mass.

St Mary's Masses

Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

10.00 Salvo & family Grima
12.00 Peter O'Rourke
6.00 Thomas family

Monday (Feria)

9.30 Holy Souls

Tuesday (Feria)

9.30 John Morris
12.15 Deceased clergy of the Diocese

Wednesday (Feria)

9.30 Holy Souls
12.15 Myra Morris

Thursday (Feria)

12.00 Joe Cox

Friday (St Peter Canisius, Priest)

9.00 Requiem Mass for John Horne
12.15 Private Intention (B)

Saturday (Feria)

12.15 John Morris

Fourth Sunday of Advent

10.00 Eddie Beaverstock
12.00 People of the Parish & John Patrick
O'Malley (anniversary)
6.00 Stephen Sullivan

Confessions: Saturday 9.30 - 10am

News and activities from Holy Family Parish



Carol Service in the church this afternoon at 4pm, followed by mince pies and mulled wine. All are most welcome, please join us.

Red Mill Hill Mission Boxes Would you please count and bag the contents (with name and amount) and return to Phil Smith or Chris Davey at the end of Mass.

Church cleaning - Group C w/b 17th Dec.

Christingle Carol Service

This will take place on **Thursday December 20th at 9.30 a.m.** in Holy Family School Hall. Parishioners from Holy Family Parish are very welcome to attend. Tea, coffee and mince pies will be available after the Service.



A message from Tina Gallagher: Thank you from Bella and the family for all the good wishes, cards and gifts she received for her 80th Birthday. Everyone in Holy Family has been so kind and the party was such a great success. The hall was immaculate, so clean and bright. I left so proud of Holy Family and feel privileged to be part of it. And I know that mum feels the same. Since moving to Cardiff, Holy Family church has become her life. The wonderful friends she has made have helped her to settle here.

Message of thanks to Holy Family parish: I really would like to thank you all, personally and on behalf of Community Adult Basic Skills - Cardiff (CABS-Cardiff). Following my appeal on behalf of CABS, on Saturday/Sunday 3rd/4th November, the amazing people of Holy Family parish generously donated £746.45. I am genuinely thankful and humbled by your giving. This is evidence of great faith in action. These funds will be sufficient to provide 15 basic skills classes for adults with learning disabilities. This makes such a difference to us and to the enthusiastic people who participate in the sessions each week. Several people asked if they could make a regular donation - we now have a standing order form available and can provide details to people wanting to contribute through online banking - please do contact me if this is of interest. Thank you all so very, very much! Email MargaretCollinsOnline@gmail.com

Sunday Collections

Many thanks for your generosity

St Marys		Holy Family	
Gift Aid:	£292.84	Gift Aid:	£190.00
Loose:	£943.40	Loose:	£360.11
SVP	£1139.90	SVP	£356.60

Recently died

Your prayers are asked for those who died recently:

John Horne, Requiem Mass Friday 21st December at 9am in St Mary's Church.

Kathleen Welsh, Requiem Mass Friday 21st December at 12.15pm in Holy Family Church.

Father John Owen Requiem Mass on Friday 28th December in St. David's Cathedral at 2.15pm

Terry (Mary Teresa) Roblin who died late on Thursday night. Funeral details later.

We offer their families our sincere condolences. **May they rest in peace.**

Pray for the Sick

Holy Family: Sheila Ferriter, Adrian Connor, Joan Lewis, Michael Gallagher, Collette Griffin, Edward Brown, Vivian Miller, Kay & Paul Parris, Bernard Perry, Gary Sutton, Mary Bodman, Brian Webster, Martin, Henry & Tony Fernandez, Valentine, Chris Collins.

St. Mary's: Dave Burns, Cath Kemp, Jean Allen, Jean Hayman, Heugette Skinner, Madison Lane, Will Johnson, Cecily Hughes, Laurence Tobin, Nadasiri Ifada, John & Marian Lamb, Bets Sullivan, Teresa Francis, Ivan Sadka, Tom Hopkins, Margaret Griffiths, James Church, Freda Burns, Anthony Jackson, Joanne Coakley, Sarah Coakley, Maria Gomez and Andrew Norman.

Directory and Year Book 2019

The Diocesan Yearbook and Directory are on sale at £3 each.

Distribution of Holy Communion

It has been decided after much discussion with the 10am Ministers of the Eucharist to alter the distribution of **Holy Communion at 10am Sunday Mass beginning December 16th.**

The changes are as follows:-

1. Communicants are asked to come up row by row beginning from the front and working back. Those in the side aisles are asked to follow on from the back middle rows.
2. There will be **four** (not two) Ministers distributing the sacred hosts (Those coming up in procession should fan out to receive communion from one of the Ministers)
3. There will be only be two Chalices (one each side) giving the precious Blood.

12 noon

The only change to 12 noon Mass is that instead of four Chalices there will be only two Chalices, one on each side.

We need one new minister of the Eucharist for **6pm Mass. New List available today.**

Thank you for your co-operation.

Sunday Mass for the Housebound Masses are now streamed on the *Cardiffwestcatholics* website. A number of people have commented on the clarity of the streaming and how helpful it is.

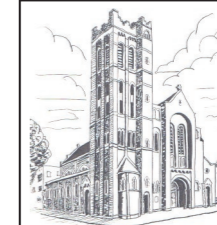
Message to 1st Holy Communion Parents.

A number of you have not collected the First Communion Book "We share in the Eucharist" required for preparing your child for First Holy Communion. If this book is not collected by next Sunday it will be assumed that your child is not going forward for the reception of his or her First Holy Communion during the coming year.

The next meeting for First Communion Parents will be on **January 15th in Holy Family School** and **January 16th in St. Mary's School.** Both meetings will be at 6.30pm



News and activities from St. Mary's Parish



Volunteers needed for the Ministries at the Christmas Masses. We need Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters and people for the Offertory and Collection. Please put your name

on the list at the back of the church.

The new Rota for Ministers of the Eucharist is available from the sacristy.

Piety Stall before and after 10am Sunday Mass for all your celebratory cards, rosary beads etc.

St. Mary's Primary School Carol Service

on Thursday next 20th December at 4pm in St. Mary's Church. All parishioners are cordially invited to attend.

St Mary's Music Group celebrate

Advent with a Carol Service today at 4:00pm

Please come and prepare for Christmas in the peaceful atmosphere of carols and readings. Followed by tea, coffee and mince pies in the parish hall.

Ministers of the Eucharist

Ministers of the Eucharist are urgently needed to (a) help with distributing Holy Communion on a Sunday

(b) take Holy communion to the sick. Please contact one of the priests or one of the Ministers of the Eucharist. This will be a great help.

Thank you.

Urgent need of Catechists for Children's Liturgy

We are in urgent need of Catechists for the Sunday Children's Liturgy. There are regularly 50 children in attendance. Maybe, if your child attends the session you would be willing to help out? Full training will be provided. Please speak to one of the Catechists at 10am Mass or one of the priests if you would like to find out more.

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Fr. Andy Bord, Fr Nick Williams and

Deacon Professor Maurice Scanlon

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