

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CANTON

It has been agreed to hold a series of Lenten talks /Reflections based around the Churches Together UK Lenten Programme. These will take place at **7pm on Mondays** throughout Lent as follows:

25th March: The Mystery of Sin, Suffering and Hope. St John the Evangelist, 18 St John's Cres., Canton

1st April: The Mystery of Relationship and Reconciliation. Calvary Baptist Church rear hall, 135 Cowbridge Rd East

8th April: The Mystery of Love and Sacrifice: St Mary's Parish Hall, Talbot Street

For further information about these ecumenical events please contact Deacon Maurice (07747038274)

Lenten Retreat

"The Word of God is something alive and active" (Hebrews 4:12)
Saturday 6th April from 10.30am to 3pm in St David's 6th Form College, Ty Gwyn Road. During this Lenten Retreat we shall focus on how God speaks to us and on how we listen. Together we shall reflect on the power of God's Word and on three pathways into listening: Adoration, the Bible and the voice of the poor. The retreat is free of charge and is open to people of all faiths and no faith. Lunch will be provided. To allow us to adequately organise the event and provide a meal for all people attending, please contact Christian Mahoney on 07764515864 or email: christianmahoney2@gmail.com to confirm your attendance.

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Pilgrimage to Knock 3rd July 2019

The pilgrimage is fully escorted to the Knock Shrine, Ireland. £649 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 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 01258 762278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com for further details. ATOL protected.

Dee Thomas from Aid for the Church in Need will be speaking at Masses in St Mary's on Sunday 7th April. There will be an opportunity to purchase cards, prayer cards, books, rosaries and religious artefacts. More information on www.acnuk.org

Dates for your Diary

4th April	First Holy Communion meeting for children attending non-Catholic Schools at 4pm	St Mary's School
6th April	Lenten Retreat 10.30am to 3pm	St David's 6th Form College
9th April	Taizé and Reconciliation Service	St Mary's Church
14th April	Palm Sunday	
19th April	Good Friday	
20th April	Holy Saturday	
21st April	Easter Sunday	
19th May	First Holy Communion 2pm	St Mary's Church
1st June	Confirmation 6pm	Holy Family Church
8th June	First Holy Communion 10.30am	Holy Family Church

Holy Family & St Mary of the Angels

Keyston Rd, Fairwater CF5 3NP

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24th - 31st March 2019 3rd Sunday of Lent - Cycle C

Third Sunday of Lent

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Fast from judging others; feast on the Christ indwelling in them.

Fast from emphasis on differences; feast on the unity of all life.

Fast from apparent darkness; feast on the reality of light. Fast from words that pollute; feast on phrases that purify.

Fast from discontent; feast on gratitude.

Fast from anger; feast on patience.

Fast from pessimism; feast on optimism.

Fast from worry; feast on trust.

Fast from complaining; feast on appreciation.

Fast from negatives; feast on affirmatives.

Fast from unrelenting pressures; feast on unceasing prayer.

Fast from hostility; feast on nonviolence.

Fast from bitterness; feast on forgiveness.

Fast from self-concern; feast on compassion for others.

Fast from personal anxiety; feast on eternal truth.

Fast from discouragement; feast on hope.

Fast from facts that depress; feast on truths that uplift.

Fast from lethargy; feast on enthusiasm.

Fast from suspicion; feast on truth.

Fast from thoughts that weaken; feast on promises that inspire.

Fast from idle gossip; feast on purposeful silence.

Gentle God, during this season of fasting and feasting, gift us with your presence, so we can be a gift to others in carrying out your work.

Amen

Retiring collection after all Sunday Masses for Caritas (Aid to the Church in Need)

Walk With Me booklets are available at the back of church, price 50p.



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 Lent

6pm Vigil Mass Mary Payne
11.00 Thanksgiving (Walker)

Thursday

9.30 Deceased Treanor family (Mass in the School)
12.30 Funeral Service for Joseph Azzopardi

Fourth Sunday of Lent

6pm Vigil Mass Carlos Velasco
11.00 Kathleen & Harold Seaford

Confessions available before each Sunday Mass.

St. Mary's Masses

Third Sunday of Lent

10.00 Peter & June Veale
12.00 Philip Ivins
6.00 Sr Ethna

Monday (The Annunciation of the Lord)

9.30 George & June Thomas and Maria Gomes

Tuesday

9.30 Michaelangelo, Teresa & Anna
12.15 Vittorina Bord

Wednesday

9.30 Jones family
12.15 Emiliano Sala

Thursday

12.15 Sr Leonie

Friday

8.30 Cecil Watkins (Mass in St Mary's School)
12.15 Frances Osborne

Saturday

11.45 Stations of the Cross
12.15 Barbara O'Keeffe

Fourth Sunday of Lent

10.00 Paul Garcia
12.00 All Mothers
6.00 Charity Vanstone

Confessions: Saturday 9.30 - 10am
11.30 - 12noon

News & Activities from Holy Family



Lenten Lunches in Holy Family church every Friday during Lent from 12-1pm. Stations of the Cross are read before soup and bread. All welcome.



CAFOD Thank you for your wonderful support, raising over £500. Any outstanding envelopes can still be returned.

Gift Aid envelopes Please collect your envelopes from the back of church as the new year starts soon. If you are a tax payer and would like to gift aid your donations, please inform Tony Fagan, Phil Smith, Chris Davey, Neil O'Toole or Peter Dole (Finance Committee).

Red boxes Any red boxes that have not been counted recently can be returned to Phil Smith or Chris Davey after Mass. Otherwise they will be counted again in June.

Church cleaning - Group A w/b 25th March.

The marriage of Victoria O'Toole to Christopher Grout will take place in Holy Family Church on Saturday 6th April at 11am. All members of the congregation are very welcome and there will be tea/cake in the hall following Mass.

Foodbank Collections

Collections of food are as follows:-

Holy Family - 6th/7th April
St Mary's - 21st April

20s/30s Catholic Drinks Sunday 31st March

On the last Sunday of each month, starting at 7.30pm. Venue: Duke of Wellington, The Hayes, Cardiff City Centre. Catholic Young Adults from across Cardiff are invited to meet friends new and old who share our faith and to relax before Monday morning - all are welcome!

St Gabriel's, Newport, require a Deputy Head for September. See notice at the back of church.

Recently died

Please pray for the following who died recently:

Joseph Azzopardi Funeral Service 12.30pm on Thursday 28th March in Holy Family Church

Sheila Amor (sister of Pat and Mary Dooley)

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

Pray for the Sick

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

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

Cycle of Prayer

Please include these in your Cycle prayers this week:

St Joseph's, Penarth
St Mary's, Dinas Powys
Marie Curie Holme Tower Hospice
Llandough Hospital
St Joseph's Primary School
St Richard Gwyn High School

Holy Week Ministries

The volunteer list for the various ministries during Holy Week is at the back of both churches. Please add your name to any you wish to be involved in. It would also be helpful if you could include a contact number. Thank you.

Sunday Collections

Many thanks for your generosity

St Marys	Holy Family
Gift Aid: £226.79	Gift Aid: £250.00
Loose: £977.75	Loose: £310.03
CAFOD £937.88	CAFOD £510.73

Children's Liturgy

The Children's liturgy is going very well in so far as attendance of children goes but there is a lack of Catechists. 16 Catechists (4 Teams) are required to run the Sunday Liturgy. At present there are only 8 Catechists; this is totally inadequate. A few Sundays ago there were 62 children in the liturgy room with 2 Catechists; this raises questions of due care. For the moment only 40 children who are either in Reception and Primary Years 1-3 should take part in the liturgy. Hopefully this will ease the problem. When more Catechists come on board, more spaces can be created to cope with extra numbers. We urgently need new catechists. If you are interested please fill in the card at the back of the church.

Please note a DBS certificate will be required to work with children. This will be organised by Mrs Patricia McCormack.

Preparation for Confirmation

A large number of parents and Confirmation Candidates attended the Confirmation meeting and registered for preparation for Confirmation.

It was decided to offer two different venues for the preparation sessions.

St. Mary's Priory Tuesdays from 6.15 to 7.15 for those attending St. Mary's Church.

Holy Family Church Entrance on Wednesdays from 6.15 to 7.15 for those attending Holy Family Church.

The Sessions will commence on Tuesday 26th March in St. Mary's Priory and Wednesday 27th March in Holy Family

If you are unable to go to your designated venue please inform Mary Cunningham or one of the priests.

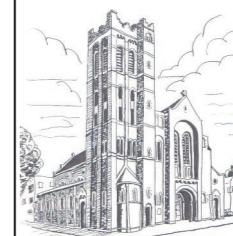
First Holy Communion

First Communion Meeting
Thursday 4th April at 4pm in St. Mary's School.

For children attending non-Catholic Schools who intend to make their Holy Communion in St. Mary's on 19th May.



News & Activities from St. Mary's Parish



Children's Liturgy for Primary School children every Sunday during the 10am Mass. The Liturgy is specially adapted to suit the ages of the children involved.

Ministers of the Word the new rota is now available.

Three pupils from St Mary's School took part in a Public Speaking Competition at Howells School this week. Congratulations to Evan Lewis, Tomas Dunn and Patrick Mansfield who came first and won the competition with their debate on the use of electronic devices. A fantastic achievement given the high standard set by the other schools.

Our parish raised a fantastic £1000 for CAFOD's Family Fast Day. Your support will bring us closer to a world where no one is beyond the reach of the love and care they need to flourish. Thank you for fasting in solidarity, and please keep our brothers and sisters in your prayers throughout Lent.

Piety Stall

A quiet start to the New Year but now, with Easter approaching, a new stock of cards and other items reflecting the season of the liturgical year are available. There are additions to the stock of rosaries, crucifixes, scapula, and other small gifts for Holy Communion, with Easter cards and cards for St. Patrick's Day already selling well. Alongside cards for Confirmation, we also have some with a more adult theme of Welcome to the Church.

We are always grateful to parishioners who suggest we stock items we have not thought of. Some of these can be difficult to source, even via the Internet, so all information on niche stockists is welcome.

We plan to open the stall for all Masses on March 31st. Thank you to all our parishioners for their continued support. *Dot & Mike Howells*