

Starting this weekend. The Statistical Count, of Mass attendance, must be taken for 4 weeks. Would Collectors please count and record **all** those attending the Sunday Masses. Many thanks.

JOURNEY OF Faith

Who are involved in the sessions? St. Mary's have a team that includes clergy, catechists, sponsors and enquirers. The enquirers are those who wish to deepen their understanding of the faith or who wish to know more about the Catholic Faith even though they themselves are not Catholics.

During your faith journey you will be supported and allowed to ask questions and receive answers and facts that are true about the Catholic Church,

not hearsay or slanted views.

The Catholic Church has definite views about important issues such as caring for the poor, the under privileged, regardless of race or origin.

The Catholic Church has a deep sense of God and his presence in our world and our need to relate to him through prayer and right living.

The teachings of the Catholic Church are based on the teachings and work of Jesus Christ and on the lives of the apostles as revealed in the scriptures, both Old and New Testaments, and have been handed on in the traditions of the Church.

If you are interested, please contact one of the priests giving your name and contact details or complete one of the forms available at the back of the Church.

The Faith Journey Programme starts on Thursday 5th September 2019 at

Mary Immaculate Open Evening

Our Open Evening for parents with children in Years 5 and 6 in primary school is on **Wednesday 2nd October, starting at 5pm.**

Please take the opportunity to visit the school, speak to staff and ask any questions you may have.

Harvest Sunday

Today is Harvest Sunday. We offer our thanksgiving for the Harvest, for the Fruits of Human Work, and for the Reverent Use of Creation.

News from St Mary's Catholic Primary School

St Mary's Catholic Primary has been supporting an emotional new TV series, which features two of our altar servers. Evan and Caoimhe Lewis present the programme with a D-Day veteran named Ted Owens. Ted was badly wounded three times during the war and the children travel with him to hear his stories, see where he fought and to learn life-lessons about war, peace and growing older. Questions for Ted about the war from other pupils at the school also feature in the series of three programmes.

Lest We Forget started this week and continues on Wednesday at 8pm on ITV Wales.

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Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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As often with the parables of Jesus, this one is intended to shock in order to make us think. Jesus is not praising the injustice of the servant, but his purposefulness in preparing for the future. In your experience, what difference does it make when you are purposeful and energetic instead of lethargic?

It was his master's call to account that galvanised the servant into action. What have been the experiences, or people, that have galvanised you into action when you had been somewhat half-hearted in your efforts?

Who have been the people whose energy, drive and astuteness have been an inspiration to you in how to handle difficult situations?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters.' When have you experienced the truth of this statement?

This weekend

Last week I indicated that I would be celebrating all the Masses in both parishes due to Fr Nicholas presiding at a wedding in Germany. I am happy to say that Fr John feels well enough to celebrate the Sunday morning Mass at Holy Family. The Sunday evening Mass at St Mary's will now be celebrated by Fr Robert James, which will enable me to attend my farewell event at the Cathedral, commencing at 6.30pm. I am very grateful to both priests for their assistance.



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

Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

6pm Vigil Mass Alan Mann

11.00 Michael Christopher McGrath

Thursday (Mass in Holy Family School)

9.30 Barney Carbin

Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

6pm Vigil Mass Cliff Jones

11.00 Felix & Agnes Macpherson

Confessions available before each Sunday Mass.

St Mary's Masses

Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

(Harvest Sunday)

10.00 Mary & Joe Morgan

12.00 Lyn & Bob Bastian

6.00 Healing

Monday (St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio))

9.30 Maria Formosa

Tuesday (Our Lady of Walsingham)

9.30 Thanksgiving

12.15 Sr Bernadette Dooley

Wednesday (Feria)

9.30 Bennie Maguire

12.15 Mr & Mrs J V Hughes & Mrs M O'Brien

Thursday (Feria)

12.15 Angela Larkin

Friday (St Vincent de Paul)

9.30 St Mary's SVP Conference

11.45 Requiem Mass Kathleen Mary O'Donovan

Saturday (Votive Memoria of Our Lady)

12.15 Jenny & Linda Hunt

Twenty Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

10.00 Ann & Colin Davies

12.00 People of the Parish

6.00 Eithne Hynans

**Confessions: Saturday 9.30 - 10am
11.30 - 12noon**

News & activities Holy Family Parish



Macmillan Coffee Morning - next Sunday 29th September after 11am Mass. Please come along and contribute to this wonderful cause.

Mass at 9.30am next Thursday 26th will be in Holy Family School. All are welcome.

Church cleaning - Group C w/b 23rd Sept.

Parish Councils and Finance Committees

I am in the process of convening meetings for both Finance Committees and will also investigate the options for reconstituting our Parish Councils. I will keep you informed of progress. It is also my intention in the not too distant future to convene an open forum meeting in both parishes to provide an opportunity for conversation and an exchange of ideas.

News from my own family

During the past week I had the joy of holding my most recently arrived great-niece, Bronwen Eleri.. Healthy, with a full head of hair, we rejoice in this new life, and we pray for all those who are expecting or have just received a new baby.

Foodbank Collections

Collections of food are as follows:-

St Mary's - Sunday 20th October

Holy Family - the weekend of 5th/6th Oct.

Sunday Collections

Many thanks for your generosity

St Marys	Holy Family
Gift Aid: £477.16	Gift Aid: £269.06
Loose: £793.63	Loose: £295.17

20s/30s Catholic Drinks Sunday 29th September

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 and to relax before Monday morning - all are welcome!

Recently died

Please pray for the eternal repose of **Kathleen Mary O'Donovan**, who has died at the age of 79 years. Please note that we will be celebrating the Funeral Mass in St Mary's on Friday 27th September at 11.45am.

Please pray for the eternal repose of **Stephen Else** who died suddenly last week. I also ask your prayers for the comforting of his wife and children in the midst of their grief.

Pray for the Sick

Holy Family: David Rogers, Catherine Driscoll, Sheila Ferriter, Kay & Paul Parris, Collette Griffin, Joan Lewis, Edward Brown, Bernard Perry, Vivian Miller, Valentine, Henry & Tony Fernandez, Gary Sutton, Gerald Stanton, Mary Bodman, Brian Webster, Martin, Chris Collins, Hanna Marengi, May Dalet.

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

Visitation of the Sick

In the coming days, I will be meeting with Fr Nicholas and Fr John so that we can correlate a definitive visitation list. It is my intention to visit all the sick and housebound during the first two weeks of October.

Financial snapshot

At last I can sign the cheques! I recently met with the Diocesan Treasurer and wish to provide a snapshot of our current financial situation. For St Mary's, the deposit account holds £155,651 and the current account holds £131,000. At Holy Family, the deposit account holds £280,920 and the current account holds £74,000. Next month I will consider transferring sums from the current accounts to the deposit accounts. My only significant expenditure thus far has been the payment for four skips!

Baptism Preparations

Baptism Preparation - for parents requesting Baptism for their children. First session on Wednesday 16th October, second session on Wednesday 23rd October. Both sessions are at 7pm in the Priory. Both sessions must be attended. Please see one of St Mary's clergy if you wish to attend. **Parents who have not undergone the preparation course must do so if they wish to have their child baptised. If you have already done the course but wish to have another child baptised you must make an appointment with one of the priests.**

Monsignor Maguire

As you know Fr John has experienced some ill health over the past couple of weeks but he has come through it and is on the mend. During the coming week he will be returning to Ireland for the family celebration of the "Month Mind". We wish him a safe journey for his week away. The preparation of the house at Holy Family has now been completed and with the help of some willing volunteers Fr John has been transferring some furniture and a great many boxes. I have assured Fr John that we will maintain a designated bedroom at the Priory and will be insisting that he joins us for Sunday lunch and on at least one other day during the week. I believe he is eager to join us as his abilities in the kitchen are worse than mine!
I heard during the past week that Fr David O'Donnell, the parish priest of St Francis, was taken ill. I believe he is now back at home. Please keep him in your prayers.

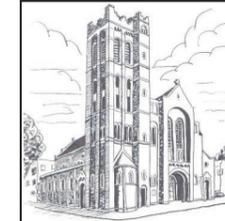
The God Who Speaks

The Year of the Word in the Catholic Church in England and Wales 2020

The year 2020 sees the 10th anniversary of the publication of Pope Benedict XVI's Apostolic Exhortation 'Verbum Domini' (The Word of the Lord). The year 2020 is also the 1,600th anniversary of St Jerome's death. These are strong reasons for us to embark at this time on a creative and deeper engagement with the Holy Scriptures. September 30th marks the feast of St Jerome, the great biblical scholar. It was he who said "Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ". Next Sunday, a well-produced booklet will be distributed at Mass.



News and 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.

Macmillan Coffee Morning Sunday 29th September after 10am Mass. St Mary's Wives would be delighted if parishioners would join them.

Gift Aid Letters are available for collection from the back of church. **Please collect them.**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Updated Rota is available in the Sacristy.

St Mary's SVP contact number 07731847622.

Music Group Quiz Night

Saturday 5th October, 7.30pm

St Mary's Church Hall Bar
£5 per person, includes light refreshments.
Bring your team of 6, or join another team.
All proceeds to SVP



Christmas Bazaar

Following my note in last week's newsletter, I am very grateful to Mrs McCormack together with Mr and Mrs Roblin for approaching me regarding preparations for the Christmas Bazaar. The first task will be to set a date and this should be achieved in the coming week.