

**FAITH AND PRAYER IN ACTION:
NIGHTSHELTER PROGRAMME AT
ST MARY'S**

There are many global needs relating to poverty and homelessness where we can help through solidarity and financial support. But we mustn't forget the acute needs in our own community where we can help with a 'hands on' contribution. **We need volunteers and donations of appropriate clothing** (sensible warm clothing, new underwear, warm socks, belts, toiletries and duvets) for the Cardiff Nightshelter Programme which provides food and overnight accommodation for the homeless over the winter months and is based at several church centres throughout the city. Our own contribution to this will be each Wednesday evening/overnight from December through to the end of March. For further information and donations of clothing etc, please contact Deacon Maurice (07747038274) and/or leave at the presbytery. Many thanks!

An Hispanic Christmas

Christmas Choral Music from across the Hispanic world.



8pm Saturday 7th December in St Mary's Church.

The Welsh Camerata Choir directed by Andrew Wilson-Dickson.

St Iltyd's Community Christmas Market

Thursday 28th November 4-6pm
St Iltyd's High School, Newport Rd
Admission free-Entertainment-Refreshments
Stalls selling Christmas goods
Santa's Grotto

20s/30s Catholic Drinks

Sunday 24th November

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!

We are now back on-line and able to receive and send emails and send the newsletter out. We have had contact with the webcam server and they have identified an access problem at their end which they are attempting to rectify. Therefore, at present, Mass is still not available via the webcam. We apologise for the inconvenience.

A message from Deacon Maurice:

On Monday 9th December at 1pm, Mary-Jean O'Doherty will give a musical recital in Holy Family Church. The proceeds will be in aid of our Nightshelter Programme. All are invited!

St David's Catholic College, Ty Gwyn Rd

invites you to their

Community Mass & Christmas Tea Party

for the senior citizens of our parishes

on Thursday 19th December from 12-3pm

Mass, buffet & entertainment

Transport available if needed

Please put your names on the list at the back of each church.

St Mary's Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 30th November at 1pm

Admission 50p

Cakes - Jewellery - Books - Fruit Baskets -

Games - Toys - Raffles Handicrafts -

Bottle Stall - Candles - Groceries

Meet Father Christmas

in the Grotto



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24th Nov - 1st Dec 2019 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Cycle C

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Today's feast puts before us Jesus as a person who never used power for his own selfish advantage. Who have you known who used power for the benefit of others?

The power of God is shown in an unexpected way in the Crucifixion; not in a wonderful display of spectacular dominance, but in Jesus sharing our human weakness.

Jesus is an example of someone who is apparently helpless. In human terms, he was powerless. It was his trust in the love of God for him that helped him through. It was only later, with the hindsight of the resurrection, that the moment of helplessness could be seen as one in which the power of God was present. Have you had experiences on which you can look back now and see that the power of God was at work in your moments of helplessness?

We may also identify with the good thief, reaching out in support of the innocent Jesus. Who has reached out to you when you experienced unfair treatment?

The Solemnity of Christ the King is the 34th and last Sunday of the Liturgical Year. This feast is designated as a Day of Prayer for our Young People, in terms of nurturing their faith towards maturity. The environment we inhabit has led many, young and old, to abandon the faith. Let us pray for the sustenance of our faith through more effective catechesis and for the re-evangelisation of our society and culture. The 11am Mass on Sunday at Holy Family is the annual International Mass and the 12 o'clock Mass at St Mary's is the Memorial for all CAFOD workers and volunteers.

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Holy Family Masses

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

6pm Vigil Mass Amalia Pegaroro

11.00 Eileen Geary *International Mass*

Wednesday

1pm Funeral Service for Dennis John Driscoll

Thursday

9.30 Holy Souls

First Sunday of Advent

6pm Vigil Mass M T Joseph

11.00 Fr Dewi Davies

Confessions available before each Sunday Mass.

St Mary's Masses

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

10.00 Mike Cox

12.00 Thomas & Marjory Duffy

Memorial for all CAFOD workers and volunteers

6.00 Thomas family

Monday (Feria)

9.30 Patricia Hambly RIP

Tuesday (Feria)

9.30 Vittorina Bord

12.15 Srs Sheila & Kathleen

Wednesday (Feria)

9.30 Kathleen & Owen Daley

12.15 Persecuted Christians

Thursday (Feria)

No Mass due to Deanery Meeting

Friday (Feria)

9.30 Moll & Beth Buggie

12.15 Denis D'Auria

Saturday (St Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland)

12.15 Holy Souls

End of the Liturgical Year

First Sunday of Advent

10.00 Frances & Stan Trigg

12.00 Thanksgiving (CL)

6.00 Harry Hogan

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



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.

News & activities Holy Family Parish



International Mass Thanks to all who participated and provided food to make this such a lovely celebration.

Christmas Raffle Tickets are available after Mass. The draw will be made at the **Carol Service** which is at 4pm on **Sunday 15th December**.

Carol Service at Holy Family School on Thursday 19th December at 9.30am. All are welcome.

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 B w/b 28th November.

Holy Family Scouts

Scout Post Stamps are on sale at the back of church at the fantastic price of 30p each.

Last posting date Monday 2nd December (cards can be posted at the back of the church up to Sunday 1st December)



Foodbank Collections

Collections of food are as follows:-

St Mary's - Sunday 15th December

Holy Family - weekend of 7th/8th December

Sunday Collections

Many thanks for your generosity

St Marys	Holy Family
Gift Aid: £153.34	Gift Aid: £246.00
Loose: £866.09	Loose: £285.03

Recently died

Please pray for the eternal repose of **Mr Dennis John Driscoll** whose Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday 27th November at 1pm in Holy Family Church.

Please pray for the eternal repose of **Mrs Ellen Mary Veronica Rowlands** whose Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday 6th December at 12pm in St Mary of the Angels.

Churches Together Advent Carol Service Sunday 1st December at 6pm St Peter's Church, St Fagans Rd

This year there are two children from Holy Family School doing readings. Please support this event if you can as a huge amount of effort goes into the preparations and it is always a special occasion.



Applications to Holy Family Reception Class September 2020

Admission forms for Reception Class will be sent out to parents who have their names on the waiting list on **Monday 18th November 2019**. If your child is not on the list please contact the school **immediately** for a form. Forms need to be returned to the school by **Monday 13th January 2019**. You will be notified on **Monday 20th April 2019** if you have a place for your child in September 2020. Priority for admission will be for those children who are baptised. The school admission policy is available on the school website- www.holyfamilyprm.cardiff.sch.uk. Visits to the school are welcome; please telephone for an appointment with Mrs Mills- **02920565354**. **If you already have children in the school you still need to complete an admission form.**

Pray for the Sick

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

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

November, the month of Remembrance

The month of November is when we particularly pray for all the Faithful Departed, remembering our own loved ones together with the Holy Souls who have no one consciously praying for them.

Marking the Year of the Word

To mark the commencement of the Year of the Word, Archbishop George will be presiding at the solemn celebration of Evening Prayer at the Cathedral on the First Sunday of Advent, 1st December, at 3.30pm. This is a diocesan event and I encourage all parishioners to attend.

Red Wednesday, praying for Persecuted Christians

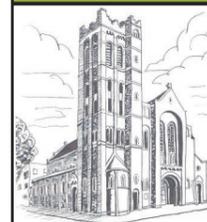
Aid to the Church in Need has designated 27th November as "Red Wednesday" being a day of particular prayer in support of Persecuted Christians across the world. Churches with the facility are encouraged to bathe their building in red light in recognition of contemporary martyrdom. Although some dispute the fact, it is the case that the Christian Faith is the most persecuted in our world. Let us pray earnestly for the free expression of faith in every country.

Fr Delaney

Fr Christopher Delaney OSB is currently in residence at Nazareth House to continue his recovery following recent hospitalisation. He is never happier than when in Cardiff. Many will want to visit him but I have been asked to emphasise that, although much improved, he is still in need of plenty of rest. His medical condition is being closely monitored and we can be sure that he will receive the best of care during his stay. Please keep him in your prayers.

The Piety Stall will be open after all Masses this Sunday for parishioners to purchase cards, Advent calendars etc. We look forward to seeing you.

News and activities from St. Mary's Parish



Red Mission (APF) boxes
Please collect your empty red box from the back of the church.
Thank you for your generosity.
The Rota for Christmas will be available next Sunday.

St Mary's Christmas Carol Service will be held on Sunday 22nd December at 4pm.

St Mary's Primary School will see Foundation Phase children celebrate their Nativity Service on Wednesday 4th December at 10am.

St Mary's Primary School will host its Christmas Craft Fair on Friday 13th December at 2.30pm and its Carol Service in the church on Thursday 19th December at 2.30pm.

Fundraising Quiz Night

Friday 6th December at 7pm in the Parish Hall organised by St Mary's Music Group. Teams of 6 or come and join another team. £5 per person includes light refreshments. Come and join the fun.

Christmas Bazaar

We are looking for quality goods of all types including bric-à-brac, books, toys, toiletries and gift sets. No electrical goods, clothing or jigsaws (to avoid trauma). Please ensure all items are **in good condition**. We are also seeking items for the bottle stall and tins for the school stall (please be careful of sell by dates). There will be a massive soft toy collection donated by Fr Peter's sister. Finally, cakes can be brought for sale on the day. Please contact Patricia McCormack, Sheila Williams or Clare Groves for tickets or donations. Entrance 50p. Thanks to those who have already contributed many items. I urge all parishioners to undertake a good rummage!

St Mary's Grand Prize Draw

Tickets £1 per book
On sale at Sunday Masses until 24th November
To be drawn at the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 30th November. 1st prize £200, 2nd prize a luxury Christmas Hamper plus 10 other prizes. **Last chance to buy tickets!** In addition to purchasing them for yourselves, could I urge you to take some for sale to friends and neighbours. Every little helps!



The God Who Speaks

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

The formal launch of the Year of the Word will come on the First Sunday of Advent when we commence Cycle A, which focuses on St Matthew's Gospel. Our parish sessions offering some reflections on Sacred Scripture commenced last Thursday. The second session on Thursday 28th November will describe the structures and themes of the four Gospels, with a particular emphasis on Matthew's Gospel. The third session on Thursday 5th December will be a reflection upon the readings that prepare us for Christmas. The fourth session that was scheduled for Thursday 12th December I have cancelled, due to the date now being designated as the election day. All of these sessions will be aimed at enabling all parishioners to approach the Scriptures with greater confidence and understanding, encouraging a greater integration of the Scriptures into the pattern of our personal prayer. Although I hope that these sessions will be stimulating and informative, I assure you they will not be a dry academic exercise. I am very grateful to the members of the Forward in Faith group, who will assist me in the preparation and delivery of this initiative. The venue for the first block of sessions will be the community room at St Mary's hall. Each session will commence at 7.30pm and conclude at 8.45pm.

