

Faith in Action: Night Shelter Programme at St Mary's

ST MARY'S NIGHT SHELTER

The night shelter for the homeless re-opened shortly before Christmas. It runs every Wednesday until the end of March. Last week we had twenty guests who were welcomed by the many volunteers. Thanks very kindly to all those who have contributed so much stuff to help the homeless. And thank you to all who volunteer to make the shelter a welcoming, safe and homely place. Please contact Deacon Maurice on 07747038274 for further information.

Completion of redecoration and works at the Priory

This past week saw the completion of the works that have been undertaken at the Priory. The Presbytery is now much refreshed with one bathroom requiring a complete refurbishment. Both rear doors, giving access from the car park and patio, have been replaced lending more security. The previous doors and frames were rotting and a good push with the shoulder would have broken the locks. I will be able to provide a full accounting of the costs in the coming weeks. As you know, I have a large library of books, so I am personally paying for the new bookshelves.

Recruitment of Altar Servers

I am pleased to announce that two young adults have recently volunteered to join the team of altar server at St Marys. Could you consider taking up this important ministry at either of our parishes?



Evangelisation Presentation Evening, St Helen's Parish Hall, Wyndham St, Barry CF63 4EL on Tuesday 18th February at 7pm, led by Teresa Carvalho, Home Missions Development Officer.

Dates for your Diary

4th February	Meeting for Ministers of the Word and Eucharist, Holy Family Church 7.30pm
26th February	Ash Wednesday
1st March	St David's Day
17th March	St Patrick's Day
5th April	Palm Sunday
12th April	Easter Sunday

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St David's 6th Form College Principal Mark Leighfield Tel: 20461920



Volunteers are needed to form a choir at the 12 noon Mass in St Mary's. There is no age limit and men, women and children are all welcome. Remember, St Augustine once said, those who sing pray twice and we are desperate to start this choir.. Please see Canon Collins for more information and to volunteer

20s/30s Catholic Drinks Sunday 29th February

Starts at 7.30pm. Venue: Duke of Wellington, The Hayes. Catholic young adults from across Cardiff are invited to meet friends new and old and to relax before Monday morning - all are welcome!

Holy Family & St Mary of the Angels

Keyston Rd, Fairwater CF5 3NP

Kings Rd, Canton CF11 9BX

2nd - 9th February 2020 The Presentation of the Lord Cycle A

Presentation of the Lord

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"It was a day that started without an expectation of anything unusual. Simeon and Anna set about making a visit to the Temple that had become a part of their daily routine. Joseph and Mary were going to make the presentation of their child in the Temple, an optional but common practice of God-fearing parents. What started out as an ordinary day turned out to be a day with a meeting they would remember for a long time. Perhaps you too have had a significant meeting on what you expected to be an ordinary day?

Simeon acknowledged that not all would accept the light that would shine through Jesus, and this rejection would be a cause of pain to Mary. It can be a source of pain to parents, teachers, church ministers, and all who work for others when some reject values, projects, or advice which would be for their good. Perhaps a sword has pierced your soul as well. What has helped you to maintain hope in such times?

Even within ourselves we can be aware of division, at times being open to the light of God and at other times resisting it. Have you known the pain of that struggle? What has helped you to keep seeking the light of God?

The final sentence speaks of Jesus as one who grew and became strong and was filled with wisdom. What has helped you to grow in wisdom?

Next Sunday 9th February is Racial Justice Sunday. The theme this year is "You are at the heart of the church" and will celebrate the contribution travelling Communities make to the Church in England and Wales.



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

The Presentation of the Lord

6pm Vigil Mass Sandra Parsons
11.00 Paul O'Loughlin

Wednesday

11am Funeral Mass (Mrs Vera Moreno)

Thursday

9.30 Ingrid Lewis

Fifth Sunday of the Year

6pm Vigil Mass Betty Clifford

11.00 Harold and Kath Seaford

Confessions available before each Sunday Mass.

St Mary's Masses

The Presentation of the Lord

10.00 Dorothy Petersen

12.00 Peter Wilkinson

6.00 Mary Fahey

Monday (St Blaise)

9.30 Vincent Milton

Tuesday

9.30 Dennis J Driscoll

Wednesday (St Agatha)

9.30 Maria Formosa and family

Thursday (St Paul Miki and Companions)

No Mass at St Mary's

10.45 Funeral at Pidgeons Funeral Chapel for Mr Patrick Bines

Friday

9.30 Susan Minogue

Saturday (St Josephine Bakhita,

Patron for the victims of human trafficking)

12.15 Frank Tracey

Sunday - Fifth Sunday of the Year

10.00 Peter Sultana

12.00 Michael and Mary Walsh

2.30 Sacrament of Baptism

6.00 Colin Abbruzzese

Confessions: Saturday 9.30 - 10am

11.30 - 12noon

News and activities Holy Family Parish



Meeting for Ministers of the Word and Eucharist Tuesday 4th February at 7.30pm in the church
Church cleaning Group D w/b 2nd February

Meeting for Ministers of Word and Eucharist at Holy Family

There will be a meeting for Ministers of Word and Eucharist at Holy Family on Tuesday 4th February at 7.30pm in the church. This will be my first opportunity to address both practical and spiritual elements related to the exercise of these Ministries within the parish. I ask that all those who wish to continue as Ministers be present for this meeting.

SVP Annual National Raffle

You will have an opportunity to purchase tickets (£1 each) after Mass on Sunday 9th February in St Mary's and after both weekend Masses 8th/9th February in Holy Family. Please support this worthy cause; you may be one of the lucky cash winners when the draw takes place in March!

Foodbank Collection

Collections of food are as follows:-
St Mary's - Sunday 16th February
Holy Family - this weekend 1st/2nd February

Recently died

Please pray for the eternal repose of the following who died recently:

Mrs Vera Moreno Funeral Mass at 11a.m. on Wednesday 5th February in Holy Family

Mr Patrick Bines Funeral at Pidgeon's at 10.45am on Thursday 6th February

Mrs Maureen Stockford Funeral Service at 11.15am on Friday 14th February in Holy Family

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, Susanna, Chris Collins, Hanna Marengi, May Dalet.

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

Sunday Collections

Many thanks for your generosity

	St Marys	Holy Family
Gift Aid:	£173.21	£231.90
Loose:	£806.01	£332.31

Baptism Preparation Courses

Baptism Preparation - for parents requesting Baptism for their children. The second session will take place on Wednesday 5th February both 7pm to 8pm. Both sessions must be attended. Contact with Canon Collins or Fr Williams is necessary if you wish to attend.

Future dates: 11th March and 18th March
 29th April and 6th May
 17th June and 24th June
 9th September and 16th September
 11th November and 18th November

Appointment of a new Parish Safeguarding Representative at St Mary's

I am pleased to announce that a volunteer has agreed to take up the role of Parish Safeguarding representative. However, the individual concerned is often resident in London as well as here in Cardiff. I am, therefore, looking for a second volunteer to assist. Please contact me if you are interested and /or require more details

Mass Schedule

Father Nicolas will be taking a well deserved break next week. Therefore, please note the alteration to the Mass schedule in his absence.

Sacramental Programmes

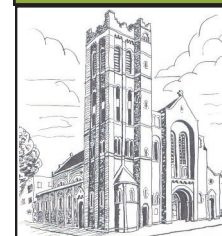
As you will be aware, the commencement of the programme has been delayed. I am still awaiting resources to arrive from Canada. I am assured that they will arrive in the coming week and I will therefore publish dates for meetings at the earliest opportunity. This applies to the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation.

New Altar Linens

I have this week invested in the purchase of new altar linens for both churches-corporals, purificators, lavabo towels and chalice palls. I am looking at the websites of various church furnishers regarding new altar vessels-chalices and ciboria.

Don't forget to see your parish Safeguarding representative to update your DBS clearance, ASAP

News and activities from St. Mary's Parish



Children's Liturgy for Primary School children takes place during the 10am Sunday Mass. Children's Liturgy adapts the Liturgy of the Word to suit the ages of the children involved.

Parish Directories 2020 are on sale at the back of church at a cost of £2.50

Palms

Please bring in old palms to the church in Preparation for Ash Wednesday 26th February.

Applications to St Mary's School

If you are still considering which school to enrol your child in, there are a few places available for Reception in September 2020. Visits to the school are very welcome. Please email or telephone the school to arrange an appointment with the Headteacher or to collect an application form.

Reading with Children. Time to spare?

St Mary's Primary School are looking for volunteers to read with some of the classes in the school, in particular with children aged 10-11 year of age. If you have some spare time please contact the school and arrange to meet with Miss Russel. Training would be provided. Any time, no matter how small, would be very much appreciated. This would be subject to a DBS check to check suitability to work with children. Email: stmarysprm@cardiff.gov.uk

News of Smokey the Priory cat

Smokey did not embrace his new four-poster bed. As with all cats, he was upfront in displaying his disdain. As a result, Fr Nick's wonderful construct has been placed on the skip. It seems the new carpet in the dining room is comfortable enough.

Piety Stall St. Mary's @ 10am on Sunday

Selling Baptism cards, Easter cards, First Communion cards and gifts, Confirmation cards etc from the Piety Stall plus many other items. ask if you are looking for something special. *Dot Howells*

The God Who Speaks

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

The next sessions will take place on the 6th February and 13th February. at Holy Family. These sessions will be exploring the structure and themes of the Pentateuch (the first five Books of the Bible) and the collection known as the Historical Books.

Official Prayer for the Year

Living God,
 You walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.
 Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another.
 Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be Your witnesses throughout the world. Amen.

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us.

St. Matthew, pray for us.

