

Archbishop Peter Smith RIP

As announced last Sunday, Archbishop Peter Smith died quite suddenly at the age of 76, following an earlier diagnosis of cancer. Archbishop Peter was born in Battersea and attended Clapham College before reading Law at Exeter University. Following graduation, he worked at Coutts Bank (looking after the Queen's money!). He would soon, however, seek admission to seminary formation, which was conducted at St John's, Womersley, near Guildford. Following ordination and a short curacy, he was sent to the Angelicum University in Rome to study Canon Law. He completed a licentiate and doctorate. He returned to his home Archdiocese of Southwark and lectured in Canon Law at St John's for many years. After a short period as a parish priest, he returned to the seminary as its rector. In 1995, he was nominated to become Bishop of East Anglia. He was transferred to our own Archdiocese in October 2001 and was translated once more back to his home Archdiocese of Southwark in June 2010. He gave great service to the Church across England and Wales in so many ways, serving as Vice President of the Bishops' Conference. He played a significant role as a member of the Nolan Committee in fashioning national safeguarding policy. He was often the Church's voice in social media, being a clear thinker and effective communicator. He will be remembered for his straightforward demeanour, having no airs and graces. I worked closely with him during his time in Cardiff but never succeeded in persuading him to get rid of his hallmark puffa jacket, nor was I successful in persuading him to give up smoking. He had simple tastes and liked nothing better than Richmonds sausages with a lot of Colman's mustard. Please keep Archbishop Peter in your prayers as we entrust him to God's mercy. As yet there are no details concerning his funeral.

Dates for your Diary

17th March	St Patrick's Day
19th March	POSTPONED Annual Archdiocesan Mass, St Anne's Church, Malpas
20th March	Cornerstone, 1.15pm, soup and roll lunch (donation requested) then Lenten Reflexion
2nd April	Lenten Taize with the Music Group & Sacrament of Reconciliation, St Mary's, 7-8pm
5th April	Palm Sunday
8th April	Chrism Mass at 11.30am at the Cathedral
9th April	Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm in both parishes
10th April	Good Friday, The Liturgy of the Passion at 3pm in both parishes
11th April	Easter Vigil, on Holy Saturday a united celebration at St Mary's at 8.30pm.
12th April	Easter Sunday, morning Masses as usual but no evening Mass
22nd April	Meeting for Children's Liturgy Volunteers, Holy Family Church, 7pm

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Parish Safeguarding Reps

Ellery Hennessy (St Mary's Rep awaiting appointment)

NB Wales and the Marches Catholic History Society have postponed their talk on Sunday 15th March. Also postponed is 'Everything is Connected' on Saturday 21st March at St David's 6th Form College.

Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed

There will be a meeting at Holy Family on Wednesday 22nd April at 7pm for present and aspiring volunteers to lead our Children's Liturgy programme in both parishes. We look forward to meeting and supporting you.

New Financial Year Envelopes

Weekly envelopes for the new tax year, 6th April 2020 to 5th April 2021 can be collected at the back of the church. The boxes have been sorted into alphabetical surname order for ease of collection. Thank you for your continued support.

20s/30s Catholic Drinks Sunday 29th March

7.30pm, Duke of Wellington, The Hayes. Catholic young adults from across Cardiff are invited to meet friends new and old - all are welcome!

Holy Family & St Mary of the Angels

Keyston Rd, Fairwater CF5 3NP

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15th-22nd March 2020 Third Sunday of Lent Cycle A

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Jesus leads the woman along a wonderful journey towards a deeper, fuller human life. You can enter the story from the perspective of the woman. Recognise her resistance to growth, her complacency, her evasions and her eventual acceptance, partial though it was, of Jesus. When have you made a similar journey in your relationship with God? With others? With your own self?

The woman is attracted by what Jesus is saying, but for a very human motive: the thought of having water in such a way that she did not have to come and draw it from the well. We too can be attracted to Jesus by very mixed motives, some of them matters of personal interest: belonging, community, security.

What have been the motives attracting you to faith, prayer, religion, church? In what way have these been stepping stones to a deeper personal relationship with Jesus? Perhaps we can also see the same movement in the growth of some of our human relationships.

You can also enter the story with Jesus, the ideal leader, parent, teacher or spiritual guide. Notice how he meets the woman where she is, needing assistance, how he is patient with her, but also challenges her to grow to what she is capable of.

Following the CAFOD Family Fast day on 6th March, thanks to both parishes for your very generous donations that will go towards supporting those in great need. Your generosity was particularly significant given that this was the second retiring collection in successive weeks!



Holy Family Masses

Third Sunday of Lent

6pm Vigil Mass Special Intention (S)
11.00 Marilyn and Mike

Thursday

9.30 Michael Gerard McMahon

Fourth Sunday of Lent

6pm Vigil Mass Pat Collins

11.00 Intentions of Rachel and KI

Confessions available before each Sunday Mass.

St Mary's Masses

Third Sunday of Lent

10.00 Sam Cross

12.00 Delores Pieris

6.00 Elizabeth Watkins

Monday 16th

9.30 Dorothy and Norman Whitlock

Tuesday 17th St Patrick,

Patron Saint of Ireland (Feast)

9.30 Alice John and family

12.15 Intentions of Sandra Codd

Wednesday 18th

9.30 DWA and DR Utley

No 12.15 Mass

Thursday 19th Solemnity of St Joseph

(Spouse of Blessed Virgin Mary)

12.15 Intentions of Fr Christopher Delaney

Friday 20th

9.30 Fr Chris

11.00 Funeral Service for Mr Patrick Neville

No 12.15 Mass

Saturday 21st

11.30 Stations of the Cross

12.15 Joseph D'Alpa

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

10.00 Veronica McCarthy (St Mary's School Mass)

12.00 Basil Hall

6.00 Archbishop Peter Smith

Confessions: Saturday 9.30 - 10am
11.30 - 12noon

News and activities from Holy Family Parish



Lenten Lunches in Holy Family will continue on the Fridays of Lent. There will be a brief reading of the Stations of the Cross at 11.45am followed by home-made soup, bread, tea and coffee from 12-1pm. Donations are requested towards a defibrillator for Holy Family Church. If you cannot attend but would like to make a donation, please speak to Cecilia Brookman or to one of the priests.

Church cleaning Group B w/b 16th March

Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass for **Primary School children, rising 5s to 11.**

News of Seminarian Dale Cutlan

We currently have two diocesan seminarians, Elliot Hanson in the fifth year of his formation at the Venerable English College in Rome and Dale Cutlan in the second year of his formation at Allen Hall Seminary in London. Archbishop George will institute Dale as a lector on Saturday 21st March. Please keep him in your prayers. Fr Nicholas will be attending the celebration at the Seminary in his capacity as Vocations Director. We have another candidate who is being considered for entry into formation in September. Please pray for vocations to the priesthood, the diaconate and the consecrated life.

Recently died

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

Mr Patrick Neville Funeral Service at 11am on Friday 20th March in St Mary's

Mrs Adele Clements Funeral Mass at 12.30pm on Tuesday 24th March 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, Linda Mantle.

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

Foodbank Collection

Collections of food are as follows:-

St Mary's – this Sunday 15th March

Holy Family - weekend of 4th/5th April

Sunday Collections

Many thanks for your generosity

St Marys	Holy Family
Gift Aid: £156.86	Gift Aid: £284.07
Loose: £705.50	Loose: £283.91
CAFOD £952.16	CAFOD £573.96

The God Who Speaks

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

The next phase of The God Who Speaks programme will consist of three sessions reflecting on the scripture readings for Holy Week. We will try to highlight the strong connections with the Old Testament that run across all the Passion Narrative. The next session will take place on Thursday 19th March and the third on Thursday 26th March.. The sessions begin at 7.30pm and end at 8.45pm and this block will be hosted at St Mary's Priory.

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.



Confirmation

There will be an enrolment meeting for all candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Mary's Church on Saturday 4th April at 10am. Candidates must be at least 12 years of age and in Year 8 or above.

Baptism Preparation Courses

Baptism Preparation for parents requesting Baptism for their children. The next/second session will take place on Wednesday 18th March from 7-8pm. Both sessions must be attended. Contact Canon Collins or Fr Williams if you wish to attend.

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

Lenten Taize

2nd April, 7-8pm

Join St Mary's Music Group for an hour of songs from Taize. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.



Celestial Revelations Welsh Camerata Cymreig

The Welsh Camerata Choir and instrumentalists directed by Andrew Wilson-Dickson present Celestial Revelations, choral works by female composers on Friday 20th March at 7.30pm at St Mary's Church. Tickets cost £12, available on the website www.welshcamerata.org or at the door.

Updated Coronavirus precautions

As a prudent response to the advice that has been published regarding the spread of the coronavirus, there will be no distribution of the Precious Blood from the chalice until further notice. It is also advisable that we avoid a physical exchange of the Sign of Peace; we shall instead simply acknowledge one another. To be consistent with these guidelines, I will empty the Holy Water from the fonts at both churches in the hope of diminishing risk.

We have now received additional advice, which instructs us to suspend use of shared hymn books and missals; we will not pass the collection plate but will rather have a retiring collection in baskets as you leave the church; it is further advised that we suspend all catering activity including teas and coffees. Anyone displaying cold or flu symptoms should refrain from attending liturgical or any other public events. If you have any symptoms associated with the virus (eg a persistent cough), then you are advised to self-isolate and not participate in any public gatherings. It is advisable that the most vulnerable (the elderly, those weakened by conditions affecting the immune system and anyone with other significant medical conditions) should refrain from attending any event that would expose them to potential infection. We are all reminded that the most practical response we can give to the potential danger is to maintain good hand hygiene. Let us pray for those who are suffering the effects of the virus and for medical professionals who are striving to deal with the situation, both here and across the world.

News and activities from St. Mary's Parish



Children's Liturgy for Primary School children takes place during the 10am Sunday Mass.

The Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at St Mary's on the Saturdays of Lent at 11.30am.

There will be Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on the Thursdays of Lent from 6pm to 7pm.

St Mary's Parish Advisory Council Meeting

There will be a meeting at 7pm at the Priory on Sunday 15th March for the St Mary's Advisory Parish Council. Please make every effort to attend.

Teaching Post at St Mary's Primary

St Mary's Primary School is looking for a new Foundation Phase Leader for September 2020. See the eteach website or contact the school at stmarysprm@cardiff.gov.uk /02920225680. Closing date for applications Wednesday 18th March.

Cleaners needed at St Mary's Church

I am looking to recruit at least one other team to ensure that the Church is spick and span. Volunteer lists will be available in the porch

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

Easter cards will be available for sale on Sunday before and after the 10am Mass. *Dot Howells*