

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

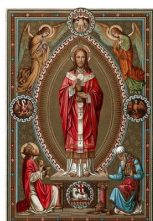
Monday 6th June – Feast: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church.

It was Pope Saint Paul VI who formally ascribed to the Blessed Virgin Mary the title ‘Mother of the Church’. In the Acts of the Apostles, following the account of the Lord’s Ascension, we hear the following:



“So from the Mount of Olives, as it is called, they went back to Jerusalem, a short distance away, no more than a sabbath walk; and when they reached the city they went to the upper room where they were staying; there were Peter and John, James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Jude son of James. All these joined in continuous prayer, together with several women, INCLUDING MARY THE MOTHER OF JESUS, and with his brothers.”

The text goes on to describe the election of Matthias as an Apostle followed by the account of Pentecost. Mary’s presence is integral. The Mother of Jesus is truly described as the Mother of God and rightly designated as Mother of the Church.

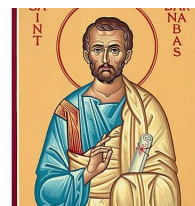


Thursday 9th June - Feast: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest.

This feast is newly established. Following the completion of the Easter Season with the celebration of the Ascension and Pentecost, the Church celebrates the Eternal Priesthood of Christ. Though Christ now sits at the right hand of the Father in the glory of Heaven, his the priesthood is at work across the face of the Earth in the life and ministry of the Church.

Saturday 11th June – Memoria: St Barnabas, Apostle

Though not one of the College of Twelve, St Barnabas is given the title Apostle together with St Paul. He was a Jew of the Tribe of Levi and was born on the island of Cyprus. His name was originally Joseph and It was the Apostles who called him Barnabas, which means ‘son of exhortation/consolation’. Barnabas befriended and guided Saul of Tarsus, St Paul. At first, it was Barnabas who was the senior partner.



When Barnabas went to Antioch to consolidate the Christian community there, he asked Paul to join him in the work. Paul joined Barnabas in taking supportive offerings to the Church in Jerusalem when they were suffering famine and persecution (Acts 11:27-30). Barnabas and Paul together undertook the First Great Pilgrimage of Evangelisation which took them to Cyprus and Asia Minor and they both attended the Council of Jerusalem (Acts 15:1-29).

On returning to Antioch they had a dispute over how to proceed with the mission and they parted company. John Mark is identified as a nephew of Barnabas. John Mark would eventually accompany both St Peter and St Paul and is identified as the author of the first Gospel to be written. Tradition tells us that Barnabas suffered martyrdom by stoning at the great port of Salamis on Cyprus.

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

We still have spaces for our Reception and Nursery classes to start in September 2022. Application packs can be collected from the school office or downloaded from our website stmarysprm.cardiff.sch.uk – key info – admissions
You are very welcome to visit, please phone to arrange a walk around the school with the head.



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PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Mary, Our Lady of Kyiv, Mother of God, we ask you to intercede for the people of Ukraine, for their government, and for all who suffer as a result of war. Stand with them now just as you stood beside your Son as he suffered on the Cross at Calvary. Give the people of Ukraine strength and courage through faith, hope and justice. May we, in our turn, support them through prayer and generosity that human lives may be saved, that the injured may be healed, that the dead may rest in peace, that there will be abiding peace after war. Amen.

THANKS FROM HOLY FAMILY SCOUTS

On behalf of 1st Pentreban (Holy Family) Scout Group. I want to thank Canon Peter and all the members of the Parish who came to the rescue of the Group.

We lost two years of our major source of income, Scout Post, due to Covid and faced possible closure of the Group.

Members of the Parish immediately stepped in with the 'Sponsor a scout' initiative. A Skittles Night, Raffle and Coffee Morning were all supported by members of the Parish and the father of one of the group got Barclaycard to agree to match funding.

Nearly £1000 has been raised by the sponsor initiative and the fundraising once match funded should be in the region of £1500. A magnificent result.

Among the very generous parishioners I think it important to mention some sponsors who are ex Scouts themselves. A special thanks too to the Tai Chi group and SCRAP (Senior Citizens Remaining Active in the Parish).

The support and generosity of everyone has been overwhelming. The Scouting Programme will continue here in Holy Family thanks to all of you.

Anavela

Pray for the Sick

Holy Family: Catherine Driscoll, Kay & Paul Parris, Bernard Perry, Valentine, Vivian Miller, Collette Griffin, Brian Webster, Henry Fernandez, Susanna, Zaid Saffo, Joseph Stancombe, Chris Collins, Peter Macpherson.

St Mary's: Bethan Williams, Jean Allen, Madison Lane, Marian Lamb, Nadasiri Ifada, Cecily Hughes, James Church, Anthony Jackson, Tom Hopkins, Margaret Griffiths, Joanne Coakley, Helen Ward, Ben Foster, Carina Foster, Maria Sullivan, Mary D'Alpa, Patricia Sadka, Donald Rees, Martin Jones, Connie Greck, Michael McLoughlin, Jacob Callaghan, Owen Williams, Andrew Nash and Derek Williams.