



St Joseph's Parish Newsletter

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A Parish of the Archdiocese of Cardiff. A Registered Charity (No. 242380). Served by Rosminians
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21st – 29th April 2018

4th Sunday of Eastertide – Cycle B

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“What an infinite blessing is our faith!”

Blessed Antonio Rosmini (1797-1855)

Mass Intentions / Adoration / Sacraments

Sat 21st April 6 pm - VIGIL	Chris Babu (Well-being) (Family)
Sun 22nd April 9.15 am 11 am	4th Sunday of Easter Vocations Sunday Commitment Mass – Holy Communion Helen Holmes RIP (Choir)
Monday 23rd Apr 9.15 am	St George, Martyr Faithful Departed (Deirdre Hennelly)
Tues 24th April 9.15 am 10.45 am	<i>St Fidelis of Sigmaringen</i> Lawrance Collince RIP (KD) Funeral Service – Agnes Ethel Kyriaco
Wed 25th April 9.15 am 9.45 am – 3.30 pm	St Mark, Evangelist (Feast) Mariyakutty Kuruvila RIP (Daisy Josy) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thurs 26th April 9.15 am	Thanksgiving
Fri 27th April 9.15 am	Henry O'Shea RIP
Sat 28th April 10.30 am 12 – 12.45 pm 6 pm - VIGIL	<i>St Peter Chanel</i> First Holy Communion Sacrament of Reconciliation Graham Jones RIP (D Jones) / Cornelius Sweeney RIP (Joan S)
Sun 29th April 9.15 am 11 am 12.30 pm	5th Sunday of Easter Thanksgiving (Mary Parsons) Michael Hearbourne RIP (Robert Murray) Baptism – William Andrew Sullivan

Please pray for those who have died: Agnes Ethel Kyriaco

And those who are ill: Charlie Coray, Peter Cule, Christin Babu, Lyla O'Brien, Pam Deane, Maria Khan, Patrick Rickard, Amie Lucas, Martin Connor, Baby Dylan Collins, Margaret Lench, Frs John Owen; Michael Cronin; Mark Rowles, Sr Denise O'Donnell SSJ, Millie Petheram, Doreen Shaw.

Church Collection
Week Ending 15th April
Attendance: 358

Gift Aid: £536.50
Non-Gift Aid: £388.16

THIS Weekend there will be a **retiring collection** for the Priest's Training Fund. In St Joseph's half of the total collected supports the Rosminians and half is for the Archdiocese of Cardiff.

Pope's Missionary Intentions for April

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.



Responsorial Psalm

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.



This Sunday **22nd April 2018**, the fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday, is the day chosen as the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life**. This day flows from the broader culture of vocation, and is when the universal Church asks the Lord to send more labourers to the harvest. The theme for this year is **It's Your Call**.



Prayer for Vocations

*Lord, Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of our souls,
You who know Your sheep and know how to reach the human heart.
Stir the hearts of those young people who would follow You
but who cannot overcome doubts and fears.
You who are the Word of the Father,
the Word which enlightens and sustains hearts, conquer with Your Spirit the resistance and delays of indecisive hearts.
Arouse in those whom You call the courage of love's answer:
“Here I am, send me”.*

(Inspired by the writings of Pope Saint John Paul II)

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The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday 28th April at 10.30 am.

We hope that this celebration will be the beginning of a life-long relationship with Jesus in Holy Communion and that all the children and parents involved will derive from these celebrations a deepening realisation of the supreme importance of Holy Communion in their daily lives.

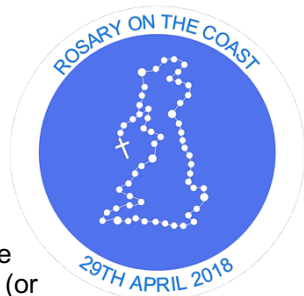
Mass in Welsh

Mass will be celebrated in Welsh on 29th April at 4.30 pm at St Teilo's Catholic Church, Church Road, Whitchurch CF14 1AD. All Welcome.
Croeso cynnes i bawb. Contact carys@caerdelyn.com

Weekly Church Events/Meetings

Monday 7.30 pm	UCM Meeting – Meeting Room
Tuesday 7 pm	Parish Advisory Council Meeting
Thursday 7.30 pm	Bible Study – Lady Chapel TWG Meeting – Meeting Room

Rosary on the Coast Sunday 29th April 2018



Following the example from Poland and Ireland, hundreds of Catholic parishes will be praying the Rosary at exactly 3pm next Sunday 29 April along the coast of Britain. We will hold it in the parish garden (or church if raining) gathering at 2.30pm. Please come and take part. The intentions are for increase in Faith, respect for Life, and Peace in the world. Please go to www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk and you will be truly inspired. See more details at back of church.

Programme:

- 2.45 pm Invocation of the Holy Spirit
Prayers of Protection
- 2.50 pm Act of Contrition
Scripture Readings
- 3 pm Glorious Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary**
- 3.30 pm Litany of Our Lady
- 3.40 pm Prayer invoking St Joseph
- 3.50 pm Litany invoking Saints of the British Isles



Parish Rosary Prayer Group

Parish Rosary Prayer Group: We meet the last Thursday of each month at 2 pm in Ty Mair, 19 Heol y Waun CF14 1LB (junction of Heol Gabriel/College Road) to pray/discuss the Rosary and have a cuppa! This month we shall meet on April 26th. Prayer intentions welcome.

Our Lady in the Bible

What role does Our Lady play in our salvation? Why does she have such a special and unique place in the Catholic church? And how do we explain to our non-Catholic friends and family why we revere Mary?

On Saturday 28th April Alan de Ste Croix will take us on a tour of Mary's role in sacred scripture and give us a greater understanding of why we, as Catholics, hold her in such reverence.

We will meet in St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea, SA1 3NG at 10am until 3pm. Tea, coffee and biscuits are provided but please bring your own packed lunch.

For more information visit catholic-bible-school.org/south-wales-events or email catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com.

Mental Health First Aid

Do you deal with members of the public who may be suffering from mental health issues? Are you unsure how best to respond? The Archdiocese of Cardiff is subsidising a 2-day Mental Health First Aid course which will run 11 am – 5 pm on Fri 15 and Fri 22 June 2018 – the course runs in parallel at two venues on the same dates, in Cardiff at the Pastoral Resources Centre, and in Pontypool at St Alban's High School. You can learn more and [book online](#) via the Diocesan Website RCADC.org; if you don't have web access, call Madeline Page on 029 2036 5965. The course normally costs £120 but the diocese is making it available at £30 per person. There are currently 9 spaces available in Pontypool and 4 in Cardiff, so do book quickly.

The Catenian Association

Bursary Fund is available to help young Catholics who are involved in projects at home and abroad. A short presentation giving more information will be made after all Masses next weekend.

Touchstone Talks

The next talk will be held next Sunday, (29th) at 3 pm in the Lecture Theatre at St. David's Catholic College, Ty Gwyn Road, Penylan and is entitled "Christianity and Conflict: how current affairs bear on our self-understanding". Admission is free but there is a retiring collection. For more information call 02920431842 or email intute@tics.org.uk

Saint George

Saint George is the object of a vast amount of imagination. There is every reason to believe that he was a real martyr who suffered at Lydda in Palestine, probably before the time of Constantine. The Church adheres to his memory, but not to the legends surrounding his life. That he was willing to pay the supreme price to follow Christ is what the Church believes. And it is enough.

The story of George's slaying the dragon, rescuing the king's daughter, and converting Libya is a 12th-century Italian fable. George was a favorite patron saint of crusaders, as well as of Eastern soldiers in earlier times. He is a patron saint of England, Portugal, Germany, Aragon, Catalonia, Genoa, Venice, Boy Scouts and Soldiers.

Saint Mark

Most of what we know about Mark comes directly from the New Testament. He is usually identified with the Mark of Acts 12:12. When Saint Peter escaped from prison, he went to the home of Mark's mother.

The oldest and the shortest of the four Gospels, the Gospel of Mark emphasizes Jesus's rejection by humanity while being God's triumphant envoy. Probably written for gentile converts in Rome—after the death of Peter and Paul sometime between A.D. 60 and 70—Mark's Gospel is the gradual manifestation of a "scandal": a crucified Messiah.

Like another Gospel writer Luke, Mark was not one of the 12 apostles. We cannot be certain whether he knew Jesus personally. Some scholars feel that the evangelist is speaking of himself when describing the arrest of Jesus in Gethsemane: "Now a young man followed him wearing nothing but a linen cloth about his body. They seized him, but he left the cloth behind and ran off naked" (Mark 14:51-52).

Others hold Mark to be the first bishop of Alexandria, Egypt. Venice, famous for the Piazza San Marco, claims Mark as its patron saint; the large basilica there is believed to contain his remains.

A winged lion is Mark's symbol. The lion derives from Mark's description of John the Baptist as a "voice of one crying out in the desert" (Mark 1:3), which artists compared to a roaring lion. The wings come from the application of Ezekiel's vision of four winged creatures to the evangelists.

Mark fulfilled in his life what every Christian is called to do: proclaim to all people the Good News that is the source of salvation. In particular, Mark's way was by writing. Saint Mark is the Patron Saint of: Notaries.