



St Joseph's Parish Newsletter

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The Parish Team - Parish Priest: Fr Justus Okibo,
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A Parish of the Archdiocese of Cardiff. A Registered Charity (No. 242380). Served by Rosminians
Safeguarding Representatives – Paul Moruzzi – 20223782, Alma Marlow - 20754417

16th – 24th February 2019

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year C

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“True obedience must involve some mortification.”

Blessed Antonio Rosmini (1797-1855)

Mass Intentions / Adoration / Sacraments

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| Sat 16th Feb 6 pm – VIGIL | Gerald Austin RIP |
| Sun 17th Feb 9.15 am 11 am 12.30 pm | 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time – C Racial Justice Sunday Thanksgiving Mass for Mrs Christine Wells - Whole school Mass Tom Bibey RIP (Monica Bibey) Baptism – Chloe & Sam Reynolds |
| Mon 18th Feb 9.15 am | Bery Dooley RIP |
| Tues 19th Feb 9.15 am | John RIP |
| Wed 20th Feb 9.15 am 9.45 am – 2 pm | William & John Powell RIP (Maria) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament |
| Thur 21st Feb 9.15 am | <i>St Peter Damian</i> Douglas Lewis RIP |
| Fri 22nd Feb 9.15 am | <i>The Chair of St Peter the Apostle (Feast)</i> Bill & Jose Bibey RIP |
| Sat 23rd Feb 9.15 am 12 – 12.45 pm 6 pm – VIGIL | <i>St Polycarp</i> All Parishioners / Private Intention Sacrament of Reconciliation Tony Campbell RIP |
| Sun 24th Feb 9.15 am 11 am | 7th Sunday of Ordinary Time – C Mariya Kutty RIP Presentation of Azzurra Calliva Reed for Baptism Kevin Whelan RIP (Andrew Whelan) |

Please pray for those who are ill:

Christin Babu, Baby Dylan Collins, Peter Cule,
Pam Deane, Maria Khan, Margaret Lench, Lyla O'Brien,
Sr Denise O'Donnell SSJ, Fr Mark Rowles, Doreen Shaw,
Kathleen O'Sullivan

CHURCH COLLECTION Week Ending 10th February

Attendance – 316
Gift Aid - £355.00; Non-Gift Aid - £277.15

Youth Meeting

Sunday 24th February, 6-8 pm

Our group for the youth and University students is growing strong and showing lots of commitment.

They sacrifice their time to come and share the Word of God, play games and share refreshments.

They also share their joys and struggles, learning to grow as children of God. More young people are encouraged to join and enjoy. It is not formal – come as you are!

The February edition of the Catholic People is available for collection – free of charge

Inside there is a leaflet 'A gift to our Church' which has a statement from Archbishop George – please take a copy

Cycle of Prayer for the Parishes of the Archdiocese 2019

Sunday 17th February 2019 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year C

Let us pray for the

Parishes of: St Cadoc, Llanrumney

Clergy: Fr Brian Gray

Other intentions: St Cadoc's Primary School, St John's College

Pope's Universal Intention for February

For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

Croeso i'n offeiriad newydd

(Welcome to our new Priest) –

Fr Aji Alphonse IC

As a community of St Joseph's we are blessed to have Fr Aji who will be with us here. Fr Aji is a Rosminian priest from India.

He will be of great help to all of us in the pastoral care.

A welcoming party for Fr Aji is on

TUESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY AT 7 PM.

He is our priest and let us thank God for such a great gift to our community.

We pray for our new priest to experience love and welcome in his new area of mission.

Croeso i Eglwys Sant Josef



Appeal for Volunteers

As a Church we are members of one body, each gifted by God differently. It is a wonderful opportunity to be of blessing to one another **by offering our time to volunteer in Church** activities. I am kindly inviting each of you to share his time by volunteering in what you think can help in the growth and flourishing of our community.

In the new few weeks a form will be available to fill in. Equally there are many things which are humble to do but rewarding: **eg Flower arranging; teas and coffees after services; Church cleaning; social events; youth ministry as key to a growing society, etc**

Racial Justice Sunday 17th February 2019

THIS weekend there will be a retiring collection to be used for promoting racial justice in England and Wales.

News and information regarding Racial Justice Sunday is available on the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales website:

www.catholicnews.org.uk/racial-justice-sunday-2019

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as if working for the Lord, not for human masters" Colossians 3:23

Sacrament of Confirmation

Calling all pupils at St Joseph's Parish who are in Year 8 or above. If you would like to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please pass your name to Deacon Mark or leave a message in the Office as soon as possible.



RAINBOW OF HOPE

Rainbow of Hope would be grateful if we encourage donations of corned beef, tinned stewing steak and tuna-
ie protein. **THANK YOU**

Groups in the parish

We would like to have the names and list of groups that exist in the Parish.

It is understandable that some groups are growing small in numbers or new groups are coming up.

It would be good if we have the list sent to the office so that we can print for people to know what groups to join always for the good of the Parish to serve and evangelise.

Food Basket

We want to thank all those who donate food and other items to the basket. The basket mainly is for the Rainbow of Hope. Please keep giving.

The food also helps those in our parish who are in need and a number of times people who come to our door.



OPEN CHURCH - The Church will be open on Saturdays for anyone who wants to spend some peace and quiet in prayer from after the 9.15 am Mass until 6 pm Mass.

Fr Justus will be available for a chat if needed.

Parish Office Opening Hours

The Parish Office will be open at the following times: Tuesday and Friday from 10 am until 12 noon. These are the best times for enquiries and requests. Contact details are at the top of this newsletter.



Sick and Housebound of the Parish

Are you sick and housebound?

Is your family member in need of a visit from a Priest? Fr Justus is happy to visit on the First and last Fridays of the month (or other times as needed).

Unwanted Christmas Gifts

Do you have any unwanted Christmas gifts that you would be willing to donate to the Parish?

We can use them at different events during the year to raise funds. If you do there will be a box at the back of the church for the next few weeks (until 24th February) to receive your donations.

Thank you in advance for anything you might give.

Welsh National Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Welsh National Pilgrimage to Lourdes annual Mass and social gathering! This will be held in Our Lady of Margam Church and Hall on Sunday 17th February at 3:30 pm. Further Information about this year's pilgrimage (Sunday July 28th until Friday August 2nd) will be shared during the Social gathering.

All are Welcome.

This year, Lourdes celebrates the year of Bernadette as it is the 175th anniversary of her birth and 140th of her death!

MASSES IN WELSH

Mass in Welsh will be celebrated on Sunday 24th February at 4 30 pm at St Teilo's Church, Whitchurch, Cardiff CF14 1AD. Bilingual booklets are provided.

Croeso cynnes i bawb.

Come to celebrate St David's Day at Mass in Welsh, Friday 1st March at 6 pm; St Teilo's Church, Old Church Road, Whitchurch CF14 1AD. Bilingual booklets are provided, and refreshments will be served afterwards. Croeso cynnes i bawb.

Flame 2019

Flame 2019 is the biggest Catholic Youth Event in the UK. It is taking place on Saturday 2nd March 2019 at Wembley Arena in London. This national Catholic Youth Event is a fantastic opportunity for the young people of our Archdiocese to come together to celebrate their faith with thousands of other young Catholics from across the UK and Ireland. If there is enough interest a coach will be booked. The cost to include travel would be £50.00 per person. Further information can be found on the website: <https://cymfed.org.uk>. If you are interested in attending, please contact Christian Mahoney on 0776 4515864 or email christianmahoney2@gmail.com

Our Lady's Invitation To You.

The parish of Our Lady & St Illtyd with St Cadoc (Llantwit and Cowbridge), is organising a pilgrimage to **MEDJUGORJE** from **Mon 2nd September – Tues 10th September**. Approx cost £550. This will include return flights from Bristol to Split, transport to and from Medjugore to Split airport, ensuite single and double accommodation with a superb breakfast and evening meal, plus the services of the most experienced spiritual guide in Medjugorje.

For further details, do please ring either Ewa Thomas (01446 771728) or Mike Snow (01446 793420)

Weekly Church Events/Meetings

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| Monday 18th | 2 pm | UCM Meeting |
| Wednesday 20th | 5.15 pm | First Sacraments Meeting Meeting Room |
| Thursday 21st | 7.30 pm | Bible Study – Lady Chapel |
| | | Townswomens' Guild – Meeting Room |

Forthcoming Dates for your diary

Tuesday 19th February - 7 pm

Welcome Party for Fr Aji – Meeting Room

Ash Wednesday - 6th March - Mass at 9.15 am and 7 pm

Distribution of the ashes will be available at both Masses –

(Acts of Charity for Lent, Details to follow)

There will also be Mass at 2.30 pm in St Joseph's School to which all parents are encouraged to attend

During Lent

Wednesdays – Masses at 9.15 am & 7 pm

Fridays – Stations of the Cross at 7 pm

Sunday 17th March – 11 am Mass

This is particularly aimed at families with a child preparing for First Communion.

Mass with commentary on Liturgy of the Eucharist and gathering. (it replaces what would have been the Wednesday meeting that week, no meeting 20th March)

Tuesday 19th March – Feast of St Joseph

7 pm Mass followed by a shared table

Maundy Thursday 18th April

Mass of the Lord's supper at 7 pm which will include washing of the feet and the renewal of commitment of Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 18th May

First Communion Mass at 10 am

Pentecost Sunday - 9th June

International Mass at 11 am followed by a shared table