



St Joseph's Parish Newsletter

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 A Parish of the Archdiocese of Cardiff. A Registered Charity (No. 1177272). Served by Rosminians
 Safeguarding Representatives – Paul Moruzzi – 20223782, Alma Marlow - 20754417



29th January – 6th February 2022

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year C

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Friendship is a fine thing but how much finer is love for Holy Church."

Blessed Antonio Rosmini (1797-1855)

ST JOSEPH'S PUBLIC & LIVESTREAMED MASSES -

(Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available

on Saturdays from 12 - 12.45 pm in the Lady Chapel) [& on request]

Mass Intentions

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| Sat 29th Jan 6 pm - VIGIL | James & Helen Coates RIP (Dorothy Jones) / Special Intention (Mary Maunder) |
| Sun 30th Jan 9.15 am 11 am | 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time – C Thanksgiving (James & Saiyona) Shinti Sebastian Family (WB) (Shinti) |
| Mon 31st Jan 9.15 am | St John Bosco Eddie McCarthy RIP (Family) |
| Tues 1st Feb 9.15 am | Weekday in Ordinary Time Helen Meldrum RIP (Margaret Lonergan) |
| Wed 2nd Feb 6.15 pm 7 pm | The Presentation of the Lord – FEAST Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Patricia & David Davies RIP (Cath & Ian Davies) |
| Thurs 3rd Feb 9.15 am | St Blaise / St Ansgar Jean Daley (well-being) (McCarthy Family) |
| Fri 4th Feb 9.15 am | Weekday in Ordinary Time Francesca Bedani (WB) (Gino Bedani) |
| Sat 5th Feb 9.15 am 12 – 12.45 pm 4.15 – 5.15 pm 6 pm - VIGIL | St Agatha Eddie McCarthy RIP (Family) Sacrament of Reconciliation Confirmation Class – in Church Georgina Belt RIP (Ann & Rob Fitzgerald) |
| Sun 6th Feb 9.15 am 11 am 12.15 am 6 pm | 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time – C All Parishioners / Fr Jim McKnight RIP (Egan Family) Monica Bibey RIP (Reynolds / Bibey) Baptism – Oliver and Finnley Thomas Vietnamese Mass / Baptism Scarlet Rose Collins |

Keep in your prayers those who have died recently:

Brother Birinus Mutashabara I.C (Rosminian novice East Africa who died tragically by drowning in Tanzania); Dom Alexander George OSB

And those who have asked for our prayers: Christin Babu, Peter Cule, Margaret Lench, Doreen Shaw, The Miles Family, Vera Huhtala, Margaret Oakland, Terry Barry, Gianfranco Tanzi, Kathy Bracken

CHURCH COLLECTION

Week-ending 23rd January 2022

Gift Aid - £230.00; Non-Gift Aid – £432.00

SVP - £60.00; Roof Appeal - £60.00

Thank you for your support at this difficult time.

You can give your donation in any way convenient to you.

Account: Archdiocese of Cardiff

Sort Code: 20-18-23 Account number: 33868265

A sick family member, house bound

If any of your family member is sick and in need of a priest Fr Justus is available. Or we can inform the chaplaincy for you. Or if you know a parishioner in hospital or house bound and the parish is not aware let us know.

ALL MASSES ARE PUBLIC AND VIA LIVE STREAMING

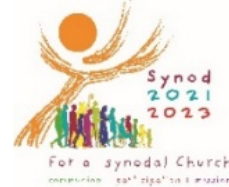
NO BOOKING IS REQUIRED

We will still be observing the following Covid-19 regulations



- Face covering is mandatory (unless you are exempt); PLEASE try and bring your own.
- Sanitise hands upon entry and exit;
- The welcomers will show you where to sit, not randomly
- Ventilation – doors and windows open, keep warm.
- **PLEASE** bring a slip of paper with your name and contact number on and place in the container on your way into Church. **This will make for quicker access.**
- **DO NOT ATTEND** if you test positive for COVID-19 or if you feel unwell.

Synod 2021-2023 – Towards a Synodal Church



We are required to submit a Parish Synod report to the Diocese in mid-March. In order to do this we intend to gather the necessary information during February.

It is crucial that everybody gets a chance to submit their opinions so, to facilitate this "listening process", we will follow this timetable:

January

29th /30th - presentations during weekend masses
Peter and Anne Marie will speak and trigger our understanding of the synod and help stimulate our thoughts and why we are proud to be Catholics and how we can contribute to renewal in the church in our times.

February - All Meetings to be held in Church

1st and 8th - parish meetings at 7pm
15th - meeting for lapsed Catholics at 7pm
22nd - meeting for leaders/members of parish groups at 7pm

There is already a SYNOD box for views and comments at the back of the church and, from 22nd January, there will also be a "listening wall". You are invited to use one (or more) of the post-it notes to stick comments or questions on the large sheet of paper.

Peter Marlow / Anne Marie Williams
Parish Synod Representatives

The Parish Prayer

Loving Father, we ask you to bless our parish: make us better people, more considerate towards others, more honest with ourselves and more faithful to You.

Through the power of Your Holy Spirit open our ears to hear You in prayer, open our eyes to Your presence in one another and open our hearts to those who are searching for You.

Help each of us to find our true vocation in life, so that we may not only find our own happiness but bring happiness to others.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen



CLEANERS NEEDED

If you are able to join our cleaning team that will be very much appreciated. The team normally cleans on Wednesday morning and it is just an hour. Not much to do as many hands make work easier. Please contact Biju John or the office. A fantastic team which makes our church clean and safe.

Recycle old Spectacles

Bring your old spectacles and leave them (minus the cases) in the box at the back of church.



DONATING FOR THE ROOF?, TAKE ENVELOPE AND MARK ROOF DONATION

If you are donating to the Roof Appeal you can either: write a cheque to "St Joseph's" and write "roof appeal" on the reverse; pay on-line - stating it is for the roof appeal / or set up a standing order. If you are giving cash, use an envelope and put in the collection marked "Roof Appeal"

Cycle of Prayer for the Parishes of the Archdiocese 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C

Let us pray for the

Parishes of: St Bede the Venerable, Kington

Clergy: Fr Simon McGurk OSB

Other Intentions: St Kington Court Hospital

Synod 2021-2023

THE SYNOD PRAYER

Adsumus Sancte Spiritus;

(we are / come before you, O Holy Spirit)

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life and not
stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Time to get 'Jam In'! It is not too late to start filling the jars! A jar holds around £5, and are available from the back of church (for safety purposes, please only handle one jar)



A NEARLY NEW HOSPITAL BED originally costing over a £1,000, and in very good condition, has been donated to the SVP and is available free to any deserving person or family. Please contact 07906 101015 if you wish to have more information.



St Joseph's SVP / Rainbow of Hope

Throughout the pandemic restrictions, the SVP has been able to continue most of our work for families & individuals in the parish experiencing hardship.

Food basket available at the back of the church.

Donations of tea, coffee and any non-perishable food would be gratefully received by them.

If you know of anyone who may need the assistance of the SVP please contact Colin Lucas on 07735 508857 or e-mail lucan45@hotmail.com.

Every situation is treated with complete confidentiality.

If you would like to donate to the SVP you can now give directly into the account:

Sort Code: 60-60-04 Account no: 46081518

CONFIRMATION CLASSES have begun SATURDAY 29TH JANUARY 4.15- 5.15 pm.

welcome and congratulations to all those who will begin this important step in their journey of faith to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. All classes will be taking place in the church. Online materials and resources will be available.

If you want to enroll you are most welcome forms

are at the back of church or make a request through the office (either hard copy or e-mail).

The dates of the lessons will be given when you start.

Confirmation is 23rd April 2022 at 11 am



Dear Confirmation Candidate / Guardian

- The classes begin this week and we ask you to attend punctually from 4 pm (class starts promptly at 4.15 pm) pick-up from 5.15 pm to enable cleaning etc to be done ready for Mass;
- COVID-19 regulations: face coverings are compulsory;
- If you are not able to attend please let us know in time;
- This is a very short course – please ensure you attend all sessions;
- Parents/guardians can stay to help if needed.

Thank You

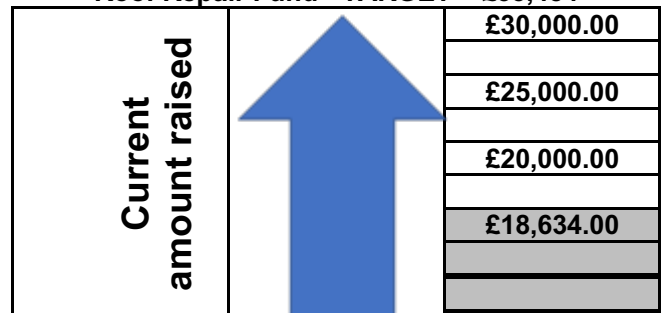
The SVP would like to thank parishioners for their generous Christmas donations at what is a challenging time for everyone. We wish you and your families a healthy and peacefully new year.

Fr Justus has been asked by parishioners to consider having another sponsored run.

This will be the final event for the Roof Repair Fund.

Forms will be available soon with the date of the planned 21K event – COVID rules will be adhered to.

Roof Repair Fund - TARGET = £33,484



The chart will be updated as more donations come in and more fundraising events take place

SYNOD Meeting - Parish Groups and Ministries

There will be a meeting for leaders and members of parish groups on **Tuesday 22nd February at 7 pm** in Church.

Please make sure your group is represented.

Please see list at the back of Church.

If you received this via e-mail the list is on page 3.