

## Parish News Cont.

### Saturday February 25th

11-00am A short Penitential Reflection. Ashes will be distributed for those unable to attend on Ash Wednesday. Confessions will be available from 11-15am/11-45am

### Please come to the Quiz Nights

These will be held at 7-30pm in the Parish Centre on the following dates. February 25th, March 31st and April 27th.

### Zimbabwe Missionary Experience Summer 2012

From 15th June to 15th July (approx), volunteers will spend time working in the Sandra Jones Children's Village with children who have been orphaned by AIDS, and have often suffered grievously at the hands of those charged to protect them. We will also spend time in local schools, educating the children on the realities of AIDS, and equipping them with the tools to make positive life choices.

Finally, we will spend time in the malnutrition ward of St Luke's Mission Hospital, witnessing to the life changing project, which is being funded by your generous donations to the recent Oblate Christmas appeal. Applicants must be at least 18 years old. Please see Fr Declan for further information.

### Catholic Education Service

There will be a second collection that took place over last weekend the 4th/5th February on behalf of the Catholic Education Service raised £147-15.

### S.P.U.C. Little Feet Club

Next meeting will take place Thursday 23rd February at 7pm in the Presbytery.

### Ethiopian Hospital Ysbyty Glan Clwyd Appeal

Imagine a 200 bed, four storey hospital with no running water in the wards or in the operating theatres.

When water is available from the single standpipe in the hospital grounds for an hour or two, staff carry buckets into the operating theatres, and relatives of patients fetch water for them to wash and drink.

The sewage system is blocked through lack of water to flush through, so relatives also carry bowls of waste down the flights of stairs and out into a pit dug at the back of the hospital.

This is the desperate state of affairs faced by Hossana hospital in Southern Ethiopia, which has been twinned with Ysbyty Glan Clwyd since 2006. Hossana hospital is the only hospital for around 1.7million Ethiopians, and has 13 Doctors, 99 Nurses, 47 support staff, lots of energy—but very little money. No NHS funds are used for this link. There will be an appeal made over the weekend of 18th/19th February.

### Church Retoration Fund

Now stands at £7330—Many Thanks.

# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COLWYN BAY

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## Sunday 12th February 2012

### MASSES

Saturday 5-30pm

Sunday 9-30am/11-00am

### WEEKDAYS

Monday 12noon

Tuesday 7-30pm

Wednesday Thursday 9-30am

Friday 12noon

### SATURDAY CONFESSIONS

11-00am to 11-30am 5-00pm to 5-30pm

### EXPOSITION, ROSARY AND QUIET PRAYER

Saturday 11-00am to 12-00noon

**MASSES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE IF A  
FUNERAL OCCURS**

### Prayer for the Parish

O God our Father and Creator

Where two or more are gathered together in your name  
you are there in their midst.

We bring to you our parish of St Joseph's to ask your blessing  
as we meet the challenges of our mission of witness and discipleship.

Give us courage and enthusiasm.

Give us spirit of initiative and originality of thought.

Give us charity and unity

and make us aware of each other as we work towards the renewal of our  
parish.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

St Joseph pray for us.

### **CHURCH FLOWERS**

Rosemary Turton is unable to continue with Church Flowers.

I am looking for a group of volunteers to work with flowers and help spread the load.

All you need is a love of flowers and "enthusiasm". You will be amazed what these attributes will produce. Young, old, male, female—all are welcome. What you can offer will be wonderful and most gratefully accepted.

You can contact me at the Presbytery or at home (Tel: 531634).

Excluding Lent, Advent, Christmas and Easter we have 42 weeks in the year to decorate the Church. I have had the first offer of help from Jo Doherty who can give several weeks during the year to help out.

Well done Jo!!

Please come and help to continue Rosemary's sterling work.  
Catherine Knowles

### **Wedding Package**

A Parishioner has kindly donated the photography for a wedding package to the Church. If you are getting married and would like to purchase a wedding package the proceeds will go to the Church Restoration Fund.

Please see Fr Declan or John Johnson for further information.

### **Diocesan Youth Retreat**

Will take place April 20th—22nd  
In Penmaenmawr. Cost £50 Years 9plus.  
Contact Nelly or Juanita for further information.

### **Last Week's Offertory Collection** **Was**

£527-72 (including £182-63 loose)

### **Our grateful thanks**

**PLEASE REMEMBER** in your prayers all those who are sick, especially :

Basil Sanders, Mary Derrick, Peggy Porter, Edward Burke, Bridget McLaughlin, Fr Colm O'Riain OMI, Wendy Swinton, , Mary O'Leary, Eddie Mann, Neil Hogan, Mike Tobin, John Lyon, Rose Bostock., Gay Merrick, William Richardson, Mary Bushell, Betty McCarthy, Peter Smith, Nancy Bowden, Anthony, Josie Canning, Eddie Hosker, Stacey Usher, Claire Carlson, Annie Quinn, Annie O'Neill, Heather Maxwell, Jim Carlson, Fr Terry Keogh OMI, Frank Shaw, Rosemary Butcher, Patrick Murtagh, Maureen Morgan Jones.

### **Recently Deceased**

Timothy O'Brien, Annie Dingley, Anne Boyle, John Turton.

### **All whose Anniversaries occur around this time including**

Margaret (Peggy) Hallahan, Walter Doyle, Des Mulholland, Gerald Edwards, Claud Lee, Norah Dillon.

This Parish is part of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wrexham Registered Charity No. 700426.  
Trustees: Oblates of Mary Immaculate

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

Takes place this weekend. Results will be announced next week.

### **Flame Congress**

Following on from the Pope's visit to London Cymfed, the Catholic Youth Ministry Federation, are holding a day of activities for all young people aged 14&. The event is to be held at Wembley Arena on the 24th March. A bus has been booked from Flint at a cost of £40 to cover ticket and transport. The day will include music, prayer and entertainment. For full details please check out Cymfed's website.

### **Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation (JPIC)**

The Parish Assembly in May 2011 called for the Parish Pastoral Council and Group coordinators to lead the Parish commitment to Justice, Peace & Integrity of Creation.

PCC Successful : St Joseph's livesimply registration certificate now Received signed by the Bishop Declan Lang, Bishop of Clifton and Chairman of the International Affairs Department of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

- ◆ live more simply
- ◆ live more sustainably with creation
- ◆ live in solidarity with those living in poverty

"We are right to repeat again and again: Live simply so that others may simply live and so that our planet may be cared for and not exploited".

### **Archbishop Vincent Nichols.**

Oblates of Mary Immaculate Province supports St Joseph's Parish in Live Simply commitment on Sunday afternoon 26th February starting at 2pm.

### **Firth Holy Communion**

We need one or two volunteers to help prepare the children for First Holy Communion. A session is taking place after school on a Tuesday and also hopefully on a Sunday morning after the 9-30am Mass. You don't need to have a child making their communion to help. An instruction course is available and help will be given. If anyone can spare an hour a week to this please contact Fr Declan. Thanks.

### **Parish Calendar**

We have a Parish calendar which is on the notice board at the back of Church. All Parish events will go on the calendar. These need to be discussed in the Parish Pastoral Council meeting where the calendar gets updated each month. Please can group co-ordinators ensure any planned events including meeting go on the PPC agenda. This way we will try to avoid clashes of dates and advertising of events can be arranged. This calendar will also go on the website.