

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COLWYN BAY

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Sunday 31st July 2011

CAFOD

You will be aware that East Africa is currently experiencing the worst drought in

Almost 60 years, affecting people in Somalia, Kenya, Ethiopia, Sudan and Eritrea. While great progress has been made in supporting communities to cope with droughts, the scale of this disaster is outstripping all local capacity to act as it comes on the heels of two drought affected years. The number of people affected is immense, with tens of thousands already on the move in search of water, pasture and food.

The estimate of those affected is 3.2 million in Ethiopia and 3.1 million in Kenya with an overall estimate of up to 10 million people in the whole region.

Given the gravity of the situation and the urgent need to respond quickly, the UK's Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), of which CAFOD is a member, has decided to launch an appeal and emergency response with immediate effect. As part of this response CAFOD is launching its own £5m appeal so that Catholics can choose to give directly to CAFOD. We have already written to the Bishops of England and Wales to explain the situation.

**There will be a second collection taking place over
This weekend 30th/31st July
On behalf of CAFOD**

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.

MASSES

Saturday 5-30pm

Sunday 9-30am/11-00am

WEEKDAYS

Monday 12noon

Tuesday 7-30pm

Wednesday 9-30am

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**

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, Fr Chris Dunne OMI, Eddie Mann, Neil Hogan, Mike Tobin, John Lyon, Rose Bostock., Gay Merrick, Francis Shaw, William Richardson, Mary Bushell, Betty McCarthy, Peter Smith, Nancy Bowden, Anthony, Josie Canning, Eddie Hosker, Stacey Usher, Anne Boyle, Claire Carlson, Ernie Speakman, Annie Quinn, Annie O'Neill, Heather Hillis Maxwell, Jim Carlson.

All whose Anniversaries occur around this time including

Tom Morgan-Jones, Doreen Derbyshire (2002).

Recently Deceased

Peter Boris Palczykiewicz, Donald Brewis.

Last Week's Offertory Collection

Was

£669-56

(including £328-32 loose)

REPOSITORY

The Repository is open after both the Saturday and Sunday Masses And also from 12-30pm till 1-00pm weekdays.

NOTICE BOARD

Information or notices for the parish notice board should be given to Sr Clare in advance

Parish Bulletin

Please note there is a box in the Presbytery hall for all items to be included in the Bulletin. The cut off point is Wednesday evening. Thank you.

WORD FOR TODAY

Whatever we think our needs are, however complicated our situation, God's love for us can cover all things. There is no limit to God's generosity, for even after 5,000 had been fed there were still twelve baskets of leftovers.



Day for Life Collection

Has been postponed as we will be holding a second collection over this weekend on behalf of CAFOD.

PARISH NEWS

Christmas Market

Now booking for a day trip to the Christmas market held in Manchester on Saturday 26th November. Seats are £10-50 each. Please see John (Organist).

Lending Library

A very big thank you to the kind donor who made it possible to buy 6 new books! Thanks too to all who contribute up-to-date books. **Sr Joy**

Food Share

Thank you to all those who responded to the appeal for tins of meat and fruit. It was great to see so many tins of just what we need however, they all went out in parcels within three days. We have delivered four parcels to families in the last two days. Please keep the donations coming in as the food is never on the shelves for more than a week. We are always short of tins of fruit, custard and rice pudding, bottles of paste or peanut butter, bottles of squash and fruit juice, coffee, tins of cold meat, tins of main meals eg meatballs, chicken curry, chilli con carni. We are also very grateful to receive financial donations as we need to top up food supplies when we run short. Your help is much appreciated.

Anne-Marie

Parish Pastoral Council

A meeting was held on 8th July to discuss the future of the parish Pastoral Council. A number of Parishioners attended and many Parish groups were represented. It was agreed at the meeting that future Parish Pastoral Council meeting will be held on the first Friday of every month at 7-30pm in the Presbytery. The next meeting will therefore be Friday 5th August. Anyone who is interested in the future of the PPC should come along to that meeting in order to ensure effective communication across the Parish. Please can group leaders confirm their attendance to Anne-Marie on the e-mail address below. If anybody has any agenda items for the next or any PPC meeting please e-mail am.furse@yahoo.com

PRAYER WHEN AFRAID (July 31st)

O Christ Jesus,
when all is darkness
and we feel our weakness and helplessness,
give us the sense of your presence,
your love, and your strength.
Help us to have perfect trust
in your protecting love
and strengthening power,
so that nothing may frighten or worry us,
for, living close to you,
we shall see your hand,
your purpose and your will through all things.
(St Ignatius of Loyola)