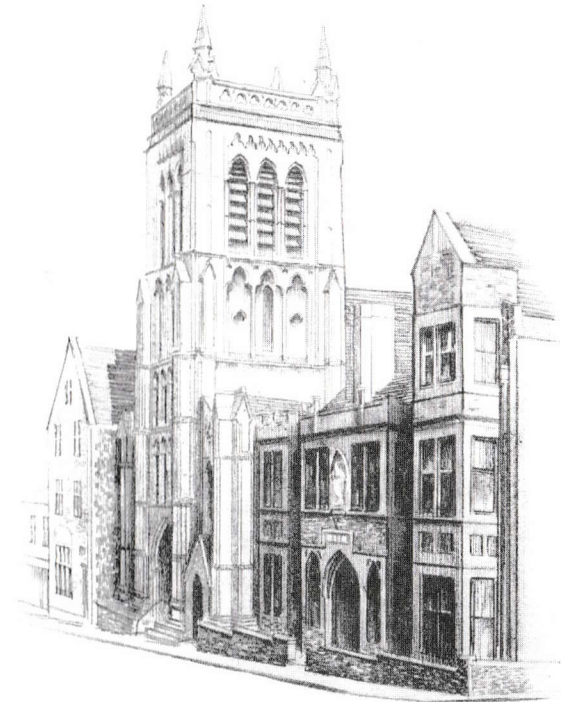


*St. Mary's, Stow Hill, Newport
Archdiocese of Cardiff*

Mass of Thanksgiving



*in gratitude to the Rosminian Community
and*

celebrating the arrival of our new clergy

Monday December 30th 2002

OPENING HYMN: The Church's one foundation

The Church's one foundation,
is Jesus Christ, her Lord:
she is his new creation,
by water and the Word;
from heav'n he came and sought her
to be his holy bride,
with his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation
one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace for evermore;
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great Church victorious
shall be the Church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union
with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord give us grace that we
like them, the meek and lowly,
on high may dwell with Thee.

PENITENTIAL RITE: (Mass Setting: Israeli)

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy on us all.
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy on us all.

Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy on us all.
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy on us all.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy on us all.
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy on us all.

GLORIA

Refrain: Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo,
Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo.

OPENING PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH

Let me sing the praises of Yaweh's goodness,
and of his marvellous deeds,
in return for all that he has done for us
and for the great kindness
he has shown us in his mercy
and in his boundless goodness.
He said, "Truly they are my people,
sons and no rogues."
He proved himself their saviour
in all their troubles.
It was neither messenger nor angel
but his Presence that saved them.
In his love and pity
he redeemed them himself.
He lifted them up, carried them
throughout the days of old.
This is the Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM.

*I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.*

The Lord is my light and my help
Whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life
Before whom shall I shrink? *Refrain*

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord,
all the days of my life,
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple. *Refrain*

O Lord hear my voice when I call;
mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken:
'Seek his face.' *Refrain*

THE SECOND READING

A READING FROM ST PAUL'S LETTER TO THE CORINTHIANS.

May God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.
I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus
Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in
your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among
you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are
waiting for the Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and
without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God,
by calling you, has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.
This is the word of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia Alleluia: Jesus said; 'If anyone loves me, he will keep my word; and my
Father will love him, and we shall come to him Alleluia.

GOSPEL

A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN.

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you, and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: Love one another as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business. I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus.

HOMILY

INDUCTION OF THE NEW PARISH PRIEST

Archbishop: A priest is ordained to preach the gospel, to shepherd the faithful and to celebrate divine worship.

He must study and meditate on the Word of God, believe what he reads, teach what he believes and practice what he teaches, remembering always that, like Christ, he is there to serve and not to be served.

He must gather together God's family and lead them, in the Spirit, through Christ, to the Father.

He must sustain and guide his people along the way to unity with all Christians and seek the gifts of unity and peace for the whole world.

He must be a man of prayer, praying for his people and joining with them to adore and worship God.

He is a dispenser of the mysteries of God, bringing his people to the grace of the sacraments. Most of all, he exercises his sacred function in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Archbishop: Are you willing to accept your responsibilities and to carry out your ministry in this place?

Priest: I am with the help of God.

Archbishop: My dear people of St. Mary's, your new Parish Priest has publically committed himself to his responsibilities and his ministry to you. Will you give him your co-operation and loving assistance?

People: We will, with the help of God.

All stand

Archbishop: Let us pray
God our Father, look with love on Fr. John Kelly, your servant, and co-worker with the Archbishop in this place. May his word and example inspire and guide your people here, and may he and all those in his care come to the joy of everlasting life.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The Archbishop leads the Parish Priest to the Presidential Chair. The Parish Priest sits.

Archbishop: I now give you the document of your appointment and I entrust to you the keys of the church.

BIDDING PRAYERS

OFFERTORY HYMN: The Servant King

From Heaven you came, helpless babe
Entered our world your glory veiled
Not to be served, but to serve
And give your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the Servant King,
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King*

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load he chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
'Yet not my will but yours,' he said.

So let us learn how to serve
And in our lives enthrone Him
Each other's needs to prefer
For it is Christ we are serving.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

HOLY, HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of power, Lord of might.
Heaven and earth are filled with glory. Sing Hosanna evermore.
Blest and holy, blest and holy he comes from God on high.
Raise your voices, sing his glory, praise his name for evermore.

ACCLAMATION: SING

Dying you destroyed our death;
Rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

OUR FATHER

LAMB OF GOD: SING

Lamb of God, you take away the sin, the sin of the world.
Give us mercy, give us mercy, give us mercy Lamb of God.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin, the sin of the world.
Give us mercy, give us mercy, give us mercy Lamb of God.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin, the sin of the world.
Grant us peace, Lord, grant us peace, Lord, grant us peace O Lamb of God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

"If you love me, keep my commandments," says the Lord. "The Father will send you the Holy Spirit to be with you forever."

COMMUNION HYMNS: HUNGRY

Hungry, I come to you, for I know you satisfy.
I am empty, but I know your love does not run dry.
So I wait for you, so I wait for you.
I'm falling on my knees offering all of me.
Jesus, you're all this heart is living for.

Broken, I run to you for you, For your arms are open wide;
I am weary, but I know your touch restores my life.
So I wait for you, so I wait for you.

BREAD OF LIFE

*Bread of Life, Truth Eternal,
Broken now to set us free
The Risen Christ, His saving power, is here in bread and wine for me.*

Lord I know I am not worthy to receive you,
you speak the words and I am healed.
Here at your table, Love's mystery,
One bread, one cup, one family.

Lord by your cross you reconciled us to the Father.
We have only to believe.
Your sacrifice, our victory,
Now by your blood we are redeemed.

Lord, you gave your people manna in the desert.
Still you fulfil our every need.
Lord, when we hunger, Lord, when we thirst,
we come to you and we receive.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

RECESSIONAL HYMN: NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

Now thank we all our God,
with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills
in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given
the Son and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven,
the one Eternal God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be evermore.