



Eglwys Gatholig Sant Joseff, Castellnedd. St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Neath.

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Serving the Catholic Community of the Neath Valley

Times of Holy Mass for the coming week

Day	Time and Place	Intention
Sunday 16th September <i>24th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Parish & People Sr. Mary Gabriel R.I.P. (Kevin & Lorna) Louisa Hikary (Spec. Int.)
Monday 17th September	No Mass	
Tuesday 18th September	6.30 pm Neath	
Wednesday 19th September	9.30am Neath 11.00am Glynneath	
Thursday 20th September	9.30am Neath	
Friday 21st September	9.30 am Neath	
Sunday 16th September <i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	

Confessions

Neath : on request
Glynneath: on request

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



Friday after Mass



Readers for this week : 15th/16th September *24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Saturday Evening: Lorna Halloran, Sian Loynes

Sunday Morning: Peter Buckingham, Sheila Williams

Readers for next week: 22nd/23rd September *25th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Saturday Evening:

Sunday Morning:



Church Cleaning

Team: 3

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection



Neath: 09.09.18: £553.03 Levy: £87.00

Glynneath: 08.09.18: £68.25



Please pray for those in our parish who are sick and housebound, especially:

Kath Wellington, Benita Whittington, Rosa Tristram, Peter Huxtable, Marjorie Grant, Leo Linney, Mike O'Hea, Gaynor Pickrell, Ana Maria, Yolanda Jones, Joan Linciano, Matilda Jones, Anita Gore, Nicky Walsh, Ann Moruzi, Kath Woolley, Roger Fluck, Shaun Dunworth and Kath Sheehan.



Of your Charity, pray for those who have died, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Steven Nash, David Barry, Clementina Underwood, Bernard Madden, Elizabeth Wilson, David Hunt and all whose anniversaries occur about this time. *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them – may they rest in peace. Amen.*



Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

WELCOME! To all visitors. We hope you enjoy your stay in the area. Do join the gathering in the Hall after Mass on Sunday morning if you are able.

Silence and Prayer before Mass: In both churches there has been a request to observe silence and prayer before Mass. "Before Mass we can speak with God. During Mass God can speak to us. After Mass we can speak to each other!"

"Anonymous Gift": Many thanks for the "anonymous" gift of £1000 to the Parish funds. Other gifts and donations gratefully received. We now have only about £4000 in the general Parish fund (with £13,512 set aside for the restoration work). Every month we have to send £711 to the Diocese. Please give generously.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: The Parent and Toddler Group are organising this in the Parish Hall on 28th Sept at 10.30 am.

Autumn Fayre: The Parish Hall Committee will be organising this year's Autumn Fayre on 20th October.

CAFOD SCHOOL VOLUNTEER TASTER SESSION - CAFOD is running a taster session which is open to anyone who wants to find out more about CAFOD's volunteer work in schools and parishes. The session will be held next to St David's Cathedral in Cardiff on Monday 17 Sept (11-4pm) and will be a great way to find out more about CAFOD's educational work, meet other volunteers, unpack resources and see first-hand what this vital volunteer role entails. It's an ideal opportunity for those who are interested in becoming a volunteer, but want to find out more first. Please contact CAFOD at southwales@cafod.org.uk or 029 20 344 882 to find out more and book your place.

Fr. Cadfan: Funeral Mass at Belmont Abbey on Wednesday 19th at 2.30 pm. A minibus will leave St Joseph's at mid-day. There are still a few seats available. If you would like to join us please contact Sue Woods or Deacon Jim (07816 750864).

St Joseph's Catholic Junior School, Port Talbot: have the following vacancies:

Temporary Level 1/2 Teaching Assistant 27.5 hours per week- Monday to Friday.

Temporary Level 1 Teaching Assistant 11 hours per week Monday and Friday

Temporary Level 1 Admin and Organisation Assistant 5.5 hours per week - Friday

For further information contact the school on 01639769743 email: stjosephsjunior@npt.school

DBS Child Protection Policy: Anyone invited to help with, or currently working with (or alongside) children and vulnerable adults must be DBS approved by the Diocese. Please obtain forms from Maria Beasley, our Child Protection representative.

Badges will shortly be available for all those who make home visits on behalf of the Parish.

Sanctuary Arch and Removal of Chimney: We have asked the contractors to leave the site and will be seeking competitive quotations to finish the work.

Candle stands: Please begin by lighting votive candles at the highest level on the stand so that arms and sleeves are not brushing against candles lower down. **Children should be accompanied at all times when lighting candles.**

Mass Requests: If you would like loved ones remembered at Mass on particular dates please advise several months in advance. Thank you.

Sick Calls: If Fr Neil is not available to respond to a sick call, please contact Deacon Jim on 07816 750864. Deacon Jim is also Chaplain for Neath Port Talbot Hospital. Fr. Jason Jones is Chaplain for Morriston Hospital on 07792 003905. If staying in hospital remember to advise staff you are happy to receive a visit from the Chaplain—otherwise your religious affiliation remains confidential to the staff.

SVP: Supporting Mission 25 in their work feeding the homeless each week in Neath, are appealing for help and support once again for the following items: Underwear men's ladies socks (clothes need to be of good quality and small sizes) and toiletries (no spray deodorants, only roll-on) + non perishable food items (Pot Noodles, biscuits, crisps, energy bars, water). Anything you can donate will be so greatly appreciated. We need to stock up now before the autumn/winter is upon us. Please see poster in the porch for further information.

SPUC: is urging people to send a postcard to the Home Secretary urging him not to recommend or promote legislation to outlaw peaceful pro-life vigils, which have helped many women to choose life for their unborn baby. The freedom to oppose abortion and offer help in public places is at risk. Postcards are available at the back of the Church. For more information please call SPUC on 020 7091 7091

Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person,
More considerate towards others,
More honest with myself,
more faithful to you.
Make me generous enough
to want sincerely
to do your will whatever it may be.
Help me find my true vocation in life

School News

Our first few days of the new school year have been packed with activities as we welcomed back staff and pupils after the summer. All the children have settled well into their new classes. We welcome all new pupils and their families. May they have many happy times with us. We are pleased to announce for this academic year our Head boy, Kieran and Head Girl, Taylor, Deputy Head Boy Ruudy and Deputy Head Girl, Bethany

We have been very proud to hear about the wonderful achievements of our past pupils in this year's GCSE, AS and A Level examinations. We wish them many congratulations and the best of luck in their future career paths.

The Parish Hall: Is available for hire at very reasonable rates. To book, please contact Angela Healey on 01792 424168/07708105147. 07708105147.077081051



Parent & Toddler Group:

meet in the hall every Wednesday morning from 9:30 -11:30.
New members welcome!



Would you like to have a 7 day candle burn for an intention in the Church? We have candles near the statues of the Sacred Heart, Our Lady and St Joseph, that you can request to be lit for an intention that can be published in the newsletter each week. Apart from being an age old devotional practice, the donated money can help raise funds for our Church. The envelopes are available at the back of the church. Church.