

# Eglwys Gatholíg Sant Joseff, Castellnedd. St. Joseph's Catholíc Church, Neath.

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### St. John Kemble Catholic Church : Llewellyn Street, Glynneath. SA11 5AE.

## Times of Holy Mass for the coming week

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Day	Time and I	Place	Intention Parish & People Mary Pauline Sullivan R.I.P. (Pauline & Margaret) Jim Insole R.I.P. (SD)
Sunday 7th May Fourth Sunday of Easter	4.00 pm (Saturday) 6.00 pm (Saturday) 10.30 am	Glynneath Neath Neath	
Monday 8th May	NO MASS		
Tuesday 9th May	NO MASS		
Wednesday 10th May	9.30 am 11.00 am	Neath Glynneath	Peter Kilbride R.I.P. (AC) John Scotson R.I.P. (PM)
Thursday 11th May	9.30 am	Neath	Sheila Jenkins R.I.P. (C. Thomas)
Friday 12th May	9.30 am 2.00 pm	Neath Neath	Scotson Family R.I.P. (PM) MAY PROCE£SSION
Saturday 13th May			
Sunday 14th May Fifth Sunday of Easter	4.00 pm (Saturday) 6.00 pm (Saturday) 10.30 am	Glynneath Neath Neath	Katherine (Sp Int) (Nancy) Margaret Gaynor Hughes R.I.P. (Peter Smith & Family) Parish & People
Confossions		<b>Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament</b>	
<u>Confessions</u> <u>Neath</u> : on request <u>Glynneath:</u> on request	ذا	\$	Friday after Mass

Readers for this week: 6th/7th May Saturday Evening: Nora Reynolds, Laurence MacPherson Jones Sunday Morning: John Hickey, Berni Payne Readers for next week: 13th/14th May Saturday Evening: Adrian Macpherson Jones, Paula MacPherson Jones Sunday Morning: Isabel Buckingham, Elizabeth Fluck



<u>Please pray for those in our</u> <u>parish who are sick and</u> <u>housebound, especially</u>:

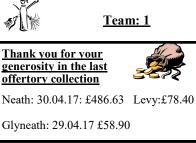
Kath Wellington, Benita Whittington, Rosa Tristram, Audrey Gammon, Peter & Hazel Huxtable, Marjorie Grant, Leo Linney, Mike O'Hea, Gaynor Pickrell, Ana Maria, Gerry Rennick, Yolanda Jones, Peggy Evans, David Jukes, Peter Healey, Tim O'Neill, Joan Linciano, Matilda Jones, and Anita Gore.



#### Of your Charity, pray for those who have died, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Violet Francis, Edna Bartlett, Franc

Violet Francis, Edna Bartlett, Francis Thomas, Sidney Durnell, Mary Sullivan, Pamela Hughes, Helen Evans, Mary Gorman, Mary Turner, Elsie Eileen Thomas, Albert O'Callaghan, Norma Rees, Oliver Edwards, Margaret James and all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

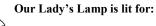
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them – may they rest in peace. Amen.



**Church Cleaning** 

Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:





Peter Healey



**St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:** *Ist Communion Candidates*  **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.

**EASTER MESSAGE:** The Ministry of Jesus reaches its climax and consummation in the self offering of Jesus on the Cross. That same Body which the Eternal Word took to Himself in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary is offered up in sacrifice at Calvary for the sins of the whole world. In death Jesus destroyed death when He rose from the tomb on the third day. Risen, ascended and glorified, we now feed on Him by faith until He returns on the clouds of Heaven. "Christ has risen! Christ is risen! Christ will come again! Alleluia!" Deacon Jim and I wish you all a holy week and a happy Easter.

**Kathleen Jarrett (R.I.P.):** Kathleen's funeral service will take place at Margam Crematorium on Monday 15th May at 11.00 am. *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace* 

<u>Second Collection:</u> this week is the annual Diocese Collection for the Priests' Training Fund

<u>St Joseph's Parish Guild:</u> will meet on Monday (8th) at 2.00 pm in the Parish Hall. New members welcome.

<u>The May Procession:</u> will take place on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm. Please congregate in the infant yard of the school at 1.45pm.

**Fatima Centenary:** This is the Centenary year of the Fatima apparitions, and the World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) England and Wales National Pilgrim Virgin statue, and relics of Blessed Jacinta and Francisco Marto, will be visiting numerous Cathedrals and churches this summer, including St Joseph's Cathedral in Swansea from 27-28 May 2017.

This Visitation will include Holy Mass said by Bishop Burns, and an Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, as well as enthronement and crowning of the Statue. After Mass there will be Veneration of the Relics of Blessed Jacinta and Francisco, as well as the opportunity to be enrolled in the Brown Scapular and participate in Fatima devotions including the Rosary, and Fatima talks. You can see more details here: <u>http://www.meneviacathedral.org/</u> statue-of-our-lady-of-fatima/4593825810

**Vocations Weekend:** 26th-28th for young women considering the vocation to religious life. See poster for details.

<u>Mass Requests:</u> please note that all weekend Masses are already reserved until the middle of June. If you would like loved ones remembered at Mass on particular dates please advise several months in advance. Thank you.

<u>Our Lord's Housekeepers:</u> if you are able to spend a couple of hours every 3/4 weeks helping to clean the Church, please contact Pat O'Connell.

<u>Guidance for planning funeral liturgies:</u> the leaflet has been reprinted and copies are available at the back of church.

<u>Sick Calls:</u> 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.

**Belmont** Abbey: 9.00 pm Wednesday 10th May: Torchlight Procession in honour of Our Lady and visit of the National Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima + Relics of Blessed Jacinta & Blessed Francisco. Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions at Fatima. Visiting Preacher - Fr. Jason Jones. As last year transport has been arranged with Fr.Mansel and Fr. Jason. Coach will start at Mumbles, pick up at Morriston and then Neath (Cost £10). If you would like to join us, please contact Deacon Jim.

<u>**Piety Shop:**</u> Gifts and cards are available for purchase and can also be ordered for you for special occasions. Please see Sheila.

#### School News

We have another new edition to our Nursery class - Welcome to Jamie

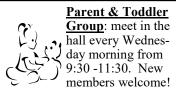
On Wednesday we were delighted to welcome Jamie Evans, a past pupil. He came in to speak to Mr Anthony's Class during their PSE lesson about his role as a Plaid Cymru party member. He stood for election on Thursday.

Please remember all our pupils in your prayers, especially those in Years 2 to Year 6 as they have undertaken Literacy and Numeracy Testing.

Our Nursery and Reception children explored the sounds of the Nature Reserve.

We would like to congratulate Rosie who is this year's May Queen. The May Procession will take place on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm. Please congregate in the infant yard of the school at 1.45pm.

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





Would you like to have a 7 day candle burn for an intention in the Church? We now 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.