



Eglwys Gatholig Sant Joseff, Castell-nedd. 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 5th January <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Bernard Newcombe R.I.P. (Nancy) Fr. Peter Kelly R.I.P. (Kevin & Lorna) Parish & People
Monday 6th January	No Mass	
Tuesday 7th January	No Mass	
Wednesday 8th January	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	Ann Hanford R.I.P. (The Family) Bernard Newcombe R.I.P. (Gerry & Elaine)
Thursday 9th January	No Mass	
Friday 10th January	No Mass	
Saturday 11th January		
Sunday 12th January <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Parish & People Susan Cavalli R.I.P. Paul Christmas R.I.P. (James & Glenda)

Confessions

On request or before or after any Mass

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



Friday after Mass



Readers for this week: 4th/5th January *The Epiphany*

Saturday Evening: David Reynolds, Maureen McAteer

Sunday Morning: Maureen Pitt, Isabel Buckingham

Readers for next week: 11th/12th January *Baptism of the Lord*

Saturday Evening: Sian Loynes, Lorna Halloran

Sunday Morning: Roger Fluck, Sandra Davies

Church Cleaning

Team: 3



Thank you for your generosity
in the last offertory collection



Neath: 29.12.19: £540.71 Levy: £79.00

Glynneath: 28.11: £61.10



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

St Joseph's: Kath Wellington, Mike O'Hea, Benitia Whittington, Marjorie Grant, Gaynor Pickrell, Ana Maria, Yolanda Jones, Matilda Jones, Nicky Walsh, Ann Moruzzi, Kath Woolley, Roger Fluck, Lorna O'Brien, Betty Hopkins.

St John Kemble: Maria, Harry, Peggy, Anita, Fred and Ann.



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

Kimberly O'Neill, Philip Hoptroff, Michael O'Connor, Eileen Williams, Richard Watkins, Walden Rees, Catherine Smith, Alice Francis 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:

Peter Healey



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:

John Mosesr



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

Annie & William Cochrane

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.

DOMSEC (The Diocese of Menevia School of Evangelisation and Catechetics): Explore the Catholic faith! See the excellent website www.domsec.org.uk

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!"

Mass Intentions: Please note that every Sunday until January already has a Mass Intention. Please think several months ahead if requesting a Sunday Mass Intention!

Susan Cavalli, RIP: Susan, who taught at St. Joseph's Primary for many years, died on 21st December, following a long illness. Please remember her and the Family in your prayers. Her funeral will take place in St. David's Church on Friday 17th January at 12.00 noon. *Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her – may she rest in peace. Amen.*

Christmas Collection, Gifts and Cards: grateful thanks for the very generous Christmas Collection and also for the gifts and cards received. All much appreciated.

Used Postage Stamps: Many thanks to all who have brought their stamps for sale on behalf of the Helen Keller School for Visually-Impaired Children in Jerusalem. All stamps are welcome, but must have a margin of envelope around them (unless they are in an album)

Second Collection: next weekend in support of the work of SPUC.

Thankyou: for the anonymous gift of £100 towards Parish funds. All donations gratefully received.

Fr. Peter Kelly R.I.P.: Fr. Kelly died peacefully the day before his 98th Birthday. Funeral arrangements: **RECEPTION OF BODY - MONDAY 06 JANUARY 2020 @ 16:15, St. Joachim & St. Anne's Church, DUNVANT, Swansea. SA2 7QQ.**

FUNERAL MASS - TUESDAY 07 JANUARY 2020 @ 10:45, St. Joachim & St. Anne's Church, DUNVANT, Swansea. SA2 7QQ.

CREMATION - TUESDAY 07 JANUARY 2020 @ 12:30, Swansea Crematorium, Heol Pentre Felen, Swansea SA6 6BY

Crib Collection: for the Mikey Cura Foundation. Mikey attended Bishop Vaughn School and was an Altar Server in Morrision. He died suddenly (aged 16) on pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela in 2016. The Foundation supports research in the detection and prevention of early cardiac problems in young children

Diocesan Yearbooks for 2020: are now available.

Catholic Papers: In future we shall not be able to return

unsold copies. Please, therefore, have a word with Sheila, David or Remo if you would like to order and receive (and commit to paying for) one of the Catholic papers every weekend. A good investment to keep up with the Catholic news.

Our Lord's Housekeepers': we would like to establish a fourth cleaning team on the Church rota. If you are able to give a little time once every four weeks please contact Pat O'Connell or Fr. Neil. Thank you.

Message: We would like to thank everybody for their prayers, messages of sympathy and for the Masses offered for our dear Sr. Clare. Clare was a @local, a one time parishioner of St Josephs and it always held a special place in her heart. May her love and prayer enfold each and everyone of you from above. With very great love, gratitude and fond memories, Sr. Carmel and Sr. Anthony. (Bothwell).

Lourdes: There is a small group travelling by train in 2020. Dates: 1st – 8th July. If you are interested please contact Deacon Jim.

Bingo and Batter: Wednesday 22nd January in the Parish Hall. Prize Bingo with Fish and Chips. Proceeds to Lourdes Group

Thank you: for your gifts and cards. They are greatly appreciated. Deacon Jim.

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
and grant that through it
I may find happiness in myself
and bring happiness to others.
Grant, Lord, that those whom you call to
enter the priesthood, diaconate,
or religious life,
may have the generosity to answer your call,
so that those who need your help may find it.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord,

Amen.

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



Parent & Toddler Group:

meet in the hall every Wednesday morning from 9:00 -11:00 and on Friday from 11.30 to 2.30.



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 donations can help raise funds for our Church. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.