

### Eglwys Gatholig Sant Joseff, Castell-nedd. St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Neath.

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Times of Holy Mass for the coming week			
Day	Time and	d Place	Intention  Stations of the Cross Parish & People Jacqueline Jaynes R.I.P. (Maureen) Peter & Hazel Huxtable R.I.P. (Dennis)
Sunday 15thMarch Third Sunday of Lent	3.30 pm (Sat) 4.00 pm (Sat) 6.00 pm (Sat) 10.30 am	Glynneath Glynneath Neath Neath	
Monday 16th March	No Ma	ass	
Tuesday 17th March St. Patrick	6.30 pm	Neath	John Paul McKeever R.I.P.
Wednesday 18th March	9.30 am 11.00 am	Neath Glynneath	Helen Williams (Sp. Int.) Rita and the Castaldi Family R.I.P. (Maria)
Thursday 19th March St. Joseph	6.30 pm	Neath	Edward & Mary Rees R.I.P. (Martyn & Nuala)
Friday 20th March	9.30 am 7.00 pm	Neath Neath	Fr. John Davies R.I.P. (SPCD) Stations of the Cross
Saturday 21st March			
Sunday 22nd March Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday	3.30 pm (Sat) 4.00 pm (Sat) 6.00 pm (Sat) 10.30 am	Glynneath Glynneath Neath Neath	Stations of the Cross Parish & People Terry Lloyd R.I.P. (Gaynor Pickrell) Jack Nixey R.I.P. (McAteer family)



Readers for this week: 14th/15th March Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday Evening: Sian Loynes, Lindy Legras Sunday Morning: Maureen Pitt, Mary Walker

Readers for next week: 21st/22nd March Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday Evening: Maureen McAteer, Lorna Halloran

Sunday Morning: Roger Fluck, Sandra Davies



## 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, Marie Blanche, Betty Hopkins.

St John Kemble: Maria, Harry, Peggy, Anita.



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

Gladys Finnegan, Fr. Eddie Murphy, Terry Wall, Elwyn Oakley, Margaret Harland, John Howells, William Newton, Rispah Kirby 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

Team: 3

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection

Neath: 08.03.20: £464.09 Levy: £80.70 CAFOD Fast Day: £262.48

Glynneath: 07.03.20: £39.60 CAFOD Fast Day: £30.20



Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

<u>WELCOME!</u> 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!"

<u>Coronavirus:</u> Please pick up a copy of the Coronavirus Information sheet if you did not receive one last week. Also see: www.cbcew.org.uk/guidance-to-catholics-on-coronavirus

<u>Change to Mass-time:</u> Please note that this Thursday, the Solemnity of St. Joseph, there will be an <u>evening Mass at 6.30.</u>

Season of Lent: During Lent we shall follow the Stations of the Cross on Friday at 7.00 pm at St Joseph's and on Saturday at 3.30 pm at St John Kemble. The Deanery Station Mass with Archbishop GEORGE Stack takes place on Monday 30th March at 7.00 pm at St Therese of Lisieux, Sandfields.

**Roland Webb R.I.P.:** Please remember Roland and his family in your prayers at this time. Roland's funeral service will take place here at St. Joseph's on Monday 23rd March at 10.30. **Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him – may he rest in peace.** Amen.

<u>Confessional Box:</u> Congratulations and thanks to Dan and Richard Irons for the artistry and craftsmanship of the design and installation of the new Confessional—a work of art. Staining of the wood and electrics to be completed this week. Donations towards the work and further painting of the church will be gratefully received.

<u>Refreshments after Mass:</u> Following advice, we shall suspend these gatherings <u>from next weekend</u>.

<u>CAFOD Lent fast collection:</u> Many thanks for the £262.48 (St. Joseph's) and £30.20 (St. John Kemble) towards the work of CAFOD from last week's collection.

St Joseph's Parish Guild: Many thanks to the Parish

Guild for the £300 toward Parish funds raised at the Tea & Welsh cakes evening.

Faith & Fellowship Meetings: We shall continue to participate in the DOMSEC Deanery Courses. The next course is led by Fr. Jerome Ituah on "Scripture, Spirituality and Evangelisation". I suggest we join the meetings at the Sacred Heart, Morriston on Saturdays from 11.30-2.00pm on 14th March, 28th March, 25th April, 16th May, 30th May (Alternatively, there are also meetings at St Joseph's, Port Talbot on Fridays from 7.00 - 8.45 pm on 13th March, 27th March, 24th April, 15th May, 29th May). ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS COURSE. Please take an application form from the back of the Church.

<u>Food Bank:</u> Please remember to support the Food Bank which is well supported by St John Kemble and local churches/chapels but has very little support at St Joseph's. Non perishable foodstuffs are especially welcomed, even individual tins and boxes..

**<u>Lenten Pilgrimage to Abercynon</u>**: This event has been postponed until a later date.

<u>First Holy Communion Classes:</u> Classes have been suspended and the First Holy Communion Mass will move to later in the year.

<u>Sacrament of Confirmation:</u> Classes will be delayed and the date for Confirmation will be kept under review.

#### **SVP Diary of Events:**

April 16th: Pontarddulais Garden Centre/ lunch May 7th: V.E. Day Celebration Party with entertainment artist. More details to follow shortly.

June 18th: Abbey-Cwm-Hir coach/entry costs
July 16th Cardiff Boat Ride/ Castle coach/entry costs

<u>Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages April-October</u> <u>2020:</u> From £245 for 7 night stay. See poster for details.

<u>Lourdes: 1st—8th July:</u> We are now able to book trains for July so we need confirmation of your booking and a deposit of £50. See Deacon Jim.

<u>Used Postage Stamps:</u> Many thanks for the continued donations of these - especially those from overseas and less common British stamps (though all are welcome, provided they have a margin of envelope around them). A particular thank you for the gift of an album of First Day Cover sets from the 1960s. These will all benefit the Helen Keller School for blind and partially-sighted sighted children in Jerusalem.

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
m o r n i n g
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.