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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 9th August 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10:30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Paddy Cunningham R.I.P. (T.C.) Jean Thompson (R.I.P.) (Kathleen & Family)
Monday 10th August	NO MASS	
Tuesday 11th August	NO MASS	
Wednesday 12th August	9.30 Neath 11.00 Glynneath	“Safe Arrival”(K & O)
Thursday 13th August	NO MASS	A. Duda (K.H.)
Friday 14th August <i>St Maximilian Kolbe</i>	9.30 Neath Followed by Exposition until 10.30	Kasia (Safe Arrival)
Saturday 15th August		
Sunday 16th August The Assumption	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10:30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Peter Healey (Spec. Int.) Pam McKeever (Spec. Int.)



Confessions

Neath : on request

Glynneath: on request



Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

After Friday Morning Mass.



Readers for this week: 8th/9th August 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Evening: Lorna Halloran, Volunteer required

Sunday Morning: Peter Buckingham, Sheila Williams

Readers for next week: 15th/16th August The Assumption

Saturday Evening: Sue Koziel, Gill Boland

Sunday Morning: John Hickey, Berni Payne



Church Cleaning

Team 3

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection

19.07.15: £534.13 Levy:

£92.15

Glynneath: 11.07: £40.90, 18.07: £57.50

Apos. of the Sea: £11.90, 25.07: 47.50.

Day for Life: £21.75



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

Kath Wellington, Eileen Williams, Benita Whittington, Rosa Tristram,

Audrey Gammon, Peter and Hazel Huxtable, Marjorie Grant, Olive Davies, Leo Linney, Mike O'Hea,

Gladys Gallagher, Tony & Gaynor Pickrell, Lilian Lowry, Ana Maria, Gerry Rennick, Mary Holmes, Yolanda Jones, Peggy Evans, Bernard Madden, Harper Marie Beasley and Anita Gore.



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

Guiseppina Segadelli, Eileen Campbell, Thomas Power, Baby Rohan Bray, Mary Harris 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:

Paul Cameron R.I.P.



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:

A Private Intention



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

Babs (Thanksgiving)

CROESO—WELCOME! If you are visiting the parish or you are returning home to be with family and friends, or you have returned to Church after being away for some time—welcome! Its good to have you here.

Exposition: Friday morning after Mass.

St John Kemble: a) Note for the diary! Patronal Festival, Friday 21st August 6 p.m., followed by refreshments. b) Pilgrimage to the grave of St John Kemble, to arrive at 3.00 at Welsh Newton on Sunday 23rd August. Names of those interested in going as soon as possible so that transport can be arranged. A deposit of £5 by 9th August. Thank you.

Diocesan Jubilee Newsletter 6: please pick up a copy from the back of church.

Proclaim the Good News Renewal Conference: Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd August 2015 at University College of Wales, Trinity Saint David, College Road Carmarthen. Cost: weekend full board £125, day visitors £25 including lunch. For further details, including how to book, see the poster on the notice board.

Assisted Suicide Bill - Message from Bishop Tom: On Friday 11th September the House of Commons will debate and vote on a bill to legalise assisted suicide. This will put the most vulnerable people in our society at risk. Please contact your MP, urging him/her to attend the debate and to vote against the Bill. You can send an email to your MP via the Catholic Bishops' Conference website (www.catholicnews.org.uk/assisted-suicide) or send a letter by post, a draft of which can be found at the back of the church.

Catholic Bible School: Scripture Saturday at St David's, Swansea on 26th September. See notice board for further details.

Seminarian: Bishop Tom has accepted Robert Davies (St. Joseph's Parish, Port Talbot) for priestly formation in Menevia. Initially, he will go to Valladolid for the Propaedeutic Year, and has been accepted by the Rector. Please keep Robert in your prayers.

Beatification of Archbishop Oscar Romero: There will be a national Mass of Thanksgiving in Southwark Cathedral on Saturday 15 August, which would have been Blessed Oscar's 98th birthday. Anyone who is able to attend will be made very welcome.

Message from Bishop Tom: I have received the following message from the Vatican for Menevia's contribution of £4,051.60 to the Peter's Pence collection.

"His Holiness wishes me to thank you for this gift, which will help him in the exercise of his universal ministry. He is aware of the devotion which motivated this contribution from the faithful, and he is deeply appreciative of this testimony to the bond of love uniting the local Churches with the See of St. Peter.

Commending you and the clergy, religious and laity of the Diocese to the loving protection of Mary, Mother of the Church, the Holy Father cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing".

Bishop's Diocesan Tour Reflections: Over the coming few weeks the newsletter will contain a selection of Bishop Tom's reflections resulting from his grand tour of the Diocese earlier this year.

Bishop's Diocesan Tour Reflections

F. Every parish should have welcoming people at the door.

Many parishioners would be grateful if they did not have to pass through a minefield of hand-outs and collections on the way out of church.

G. The style of music can be too slow.

Styles of music don't please everybody; they use unfamiliar tunes, are sometimes off-putting and intrusive/loudly amplified/artificial, too long. Music groups and choirs seem to be deaf to people's pleas, and continue their ways and choices oblivious to remarks made to them. At the same time, the choices made by other groups are just right.

H. Inter-action, consultation, listening, participation, sharing.

These areas have all been underlined, affecting how the Mass is presented, as well as getting involved in meetings. There were requests for more of these "Gandhi" gatherings to take place, and more of these kinds of topics to be dealt with, with more time and in greater detail. This would be appreciated in the future, both at diocesan level, but particularly and more regularly at parish level.

The Parish Hall: Is available for hire at very reasonable rates. If you would like to book the hall, please contact Angela Healey on 01792 424168 or 07708105147.

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 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.