



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

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Times of Holy Mass for the coming week

Day	Time and Place	Intention
Sunday 18th September <i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & people Tommy Spicer R.I.P. (B. O'Grady) Brian Collins R.I.P. (A.C.)
Monday 19th September	NO MASS	
Tuesday 20th September <i>St Andrew Kim & Companions</i>	6.30 pm Neath	Louisa Hikary (Spec. Int.) (The Family)
Wednesday 21st September <i>St Matthew</i>	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	Mary Widlake R.I.P. (Isabel & Peter) Mark Serwotka (Spec. Int.) (Nancy)
Thursday 22nd September	9.30 am Neath	MICF R.I.P.
Friday 23rd September <i>St Padre Pio</i>	9.30 am Neath followed by exposition	Sr. Josephine R.I.P.
Saturday 24th September	NO MASS	
Sunday 25th September <i>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Members of SVP Louisa Hikary (Spec. Int.) (The Family)

Confessions

Neath : on request
Glynneath: on request

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

After Friday Morning Mass.



Readers for this week: 17th/18th September 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Evening: Maureen McAteer, David Reynolds

Sunday Morning: John Hickey, Berni Payne

Readers for next week: 24th/25th September 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Evening: Lorna Halloran, Sue Koziel

Sunday Morning : Isabel Buckingham, Elizabeth Fluck



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

Kath Wellington, Benita Whittington, Rosa Tristram, Audrey Gammon, Peter and Hazel Huxtable, Marjorie Grant, Olive Davies, Leo Linney, Mike O'Hea, Gladys Gallagher, Gaynor Pickrell, Ana Maria, Gerry Rennick, Yolanda Jones, Peggy Evans, Harper Marie Beasley, 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:

Maria Baker, Johanna Dobrzanski, Graham Francis, Elizabeth Jenkins 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: 1

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection



11.09.16: Neath: £439.55 Levy: £84.10
Education: £92.82
Glynneath: tba



Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:
Peter Healey



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:
Michael McAteer R.I.P.



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:
Lisa - well being

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.

Bernard Madden R.I.P.: Please remember Mair in your prayers at this time. Bernard's funeral arrangements to be announced. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him.

Painting in the Hall: will continue next Saturday at 10.00 am. Thanks to those who gave of their time this week.

Second Collections: this weekend is the annual collection in support of Home Mission Sunday. Next Sunday there will be a special collection for our own SVP Group. Many thanks for last Sunday's Collection for Education which raised £92.82

Harvest Mass: (i) At St John Kemble on Wednesday 28th September followed by a Harvest Lunch.

(ii) At St. Joseph's - the School Harvest Mass on Sunday 2nd October. Please bring tinned food, non-perishable etc as part of the Offertory procession in aid of the homeless. There will also be a Harvest Collection for Cafod.

Open Doors at Neath Abbey: Last year some of us were fortunate enough to join Dr. Bill Zajac on his highly interesting tours of the Abbey. He will be repeating them on Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th September at 10.00, 12.30 & 3.00. Tours are free and all are welcome (please note that you will need to stand for most of the time).

September SVP Awareness Month: Theme: Who Cares? "The SVP provides an extended family in which we, as brothers and sisters in Christ, can respond to the many and varied problems being faced within our communities" SVP Patron Cardinal Vincent Nichol

Many thanks to: St Joseph's Parish Guild for the Silent Auction which raised a further £380 towards Parish Funds. We now have £5,087 in the Sanctuary Arch Appeal, including £68 from the Confirmation Mass.

Parish Archive Exhibition: Please note that part 2 is planned for 1st & 2nd October, times to be announced later.

Bingo & Batter: Wednesday 28th September at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall, Prize Bingo with fish and chips. Tickets £5 available now from Sue Woods, Sheila Morgan or Deacon Jim. Proceeds to Parish funds.

Parish Macmillan Coffee Morning: Friday 30th September

in the Parish Hall from 10.00 am - 12.00.

Autumn Fayre: Saturday 12th November from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm in the Parish Hall. If you would like to man a stall please contact any member of the Hall Committee (Sheila Morgan, Brenda Grant, Mary Isaacs, Mark Protheroe, Sheila Penhry, Jim Insole & Deacon Jim). The inevitable Bottle Stall will be making its annual appearance so please start looking out those bottles!

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.

Confirmation Mass: Many thanks to all those who contributed to a wonderful celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation –for the flower arrangements, music, altar servers and refreshments in the Hall afterwards.

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.

School News

Our school nurse spent Tuesday afternoon helping our Reception children learn how to wash their hands properly. Mrs James, our new Peripatetic music teacher, joined us on Wednesday. She will be working with Mrs Brooks' and Mr Anthony's classes this Term. School Council Elections took place on Friday. The Polling Station was housed in the library. The newly commissioned school committees will meet for their induction meeting next week.

Website: <http://www.npted.org/schools/primary/stjosephsprimary>
Please use our school website for any information you may need.

Diary Dates : Autumn Term 2016

September

Block Swimming: Monday 19th-Friday 22nd Mrs Brooks' Class
Friday 23rd INSET Day

Block Swimming : Monday 26th-Thursdays 29th Mr Anthony's Class
Thursday 29th MacMillan Coffee Morning 9.15am
Friday 30th Mrs Stephens' Class assembly 9am

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

Parent & Toddler Group: meet in the hall every Wednesday morning from 9:30 -11:30.
New members



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.