

30th Sunday in Ordinary time – 23rd October 2022

“ Renew Your wonders in this our day, as by a New Pentecost. Grant to Your Church that, being of one mind and steadfast in prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and following the lead of blessed Peter, it may advance the reign of our Divine Saviour, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace. Come Holy Spirit, in Your power and might to renew the face of the earth”. (Pope St.John XXIII).

“Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, from the clear celestial height, Thy pure beaming radiance give. Come, Thou Father of the poor, come with treasures that endure, Come Thou Light of all that live. Light Immortal, Light Divine, Visit Thou this soul of mine, Wash the stain of guilt away. Bend the stubborn heart and will, Melt the frozen, warm the chill, Guide the steps that go astray” Come, Holy Spirit!

Prayer for Ukraine (from the Bishops 'Conference) *“Mary, Our Lady of Kiev, Mother of God, We ask you to intercede for the people of Ukraine, For their government and all who suffer as a result of war. Be with them as you stood beside your Son, Suffering on the Cross at Calvary. Give them strength and courage, Through faith, hope and justice. May we, in our turn, Support them through prayer and generosity, That lives may be saved, the injured healed, that the dead may rest in peace, And that war will end in peace”*

Mass Intentions this Sunday: (23rd October) **Saturday** (St.John Kemble) 4-00 p.m. Parish & People. (St. Joseph's) 6-00p.m. Pamela Cundall (RIP) (Ann Guest & family). **Sunday** 10-30a.m. Teleri Mia Rees (RIP) (Aimee & Sam Owen).

Second Collection This Sunday is World Mission Sunday (Missio). Our second collection helps to support missionaries working alongside communities throughout the world that are poor and in need. Thank you.

Last Sunday's Collection: St.Joseph's – £312-02 (plus Direct Debits); Many thanks for the anonymous donation of £1,000 to the Garden Fund. St.John Kemble - £29-00. Many thanks.

Weekday Mass Intentions: **Wednesday** (26th) 9-30 a.m. (St. Joseph's) Janet Jones (RIP) (Geraint); 11-00 a.m. (St. John Kemble) Mark Nedza (Good Health). (Nancy); **Thursday** (27th) **9-15 a.m.** School Mass (Votive Mass of All Saints) Glenys Gibbons (RIP). **Friday** 12-15 p.m. Funeral Service of Stuart Michael (RIP).

Stuart Michael (RIP) Please remember Stuart in your prayers and Joan and the family at this time. Stuart's Funeral Service takes place this Friday at 12-15 p.m. here in St. Joseph's. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.*

Mass Intentions next Sunday (30th October) – **Saturday** 4-00 p.m. (St.John Kemble) Parish & People; 6-00p.m. (St. Joseph's) Mary Pughsley (RIP) (Luigi Dimaio); **CLOCKS CHANGE** **Sunday** 10-30 a.m. (St. Joseph's) Shaun Elias (RIP) (Mills family).

Readers: **This Sunday** (23rd October) 6-00 p.m. Mandy Smith; 10-30 a.m. Bernie Payne. **Next Sunday** (30th October) 6-00 P.M. Patrick McAteer; 10-30 a.m. Mary Walker.

Candles: Sacred Heart – Brenda Grant (Good Health); Our Lady – Special Intention (M); St. Joseph – Marshall and Christopher Abell (RIP).

Anniversaries: Of your charity, remember in prayer those whose anniversaries occur at this time; Dina Davies (2013); Agnes Hopkins (2013); Therese Hughes (2000); Janet Jones (2017); Max Russel (2005); Teresa Watkins (2004); *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Canon Jason Jones November 1st (All Saints' Day) is the Silver Jubilee of Fr. Jason's Ordination. He will celebrate his Silver Jubilee at a **Vigil Mass** of All Saints at 6-30 p.m. on **Monday 31st October** – a Sung Mass followed by a candlelit procession of Our Lady to the parish hall for a small reception. At 6-00 p.m. before Mass, there will be **Rosary and Benediction** to close the Month of October in the presence of the National Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Canon Jason was assistant priest here at St. Joseph's and he extends a warm invitation to join him at his celebration.

S.P.U.C. National Prayer Campaign. 27th October to 27th April. " 10 Million prayers " to mark the 55th Anniversary of the Abortion Act, remember the 10 million lives lost in Britain since 1967 and to unite in prayer and build together a Culture of Life. **Please take with you one of the prayer cards, " A prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe"** and join with this national prayer campaign.

FOOD BANK Please leave donations to the Neath Food Bank at the back of the church - the products Food Banks need most: Tinned veg (peas and sweetcorn); tinned tuna and mackerel; brown,basmati and long grain rice; pulses (eg: kidney beans and chickpeas); grains (eg: couscous); easy cook noodles; tinned fruit (eg: pineapple slices); wholegrain cereals (eg: wheat biscuits); oat drinks and UHT milk. THANK YOU!

S.V.P. Appeal If you have any pre-loved trainers in good condition for men and ladies they will find a good home at Mission 25-35 who hold a breakfast club for the homeless every Saturday morning. Please bring them along or contact Angela on 01792 424168. Thank you.

S.V.P If you or someone you know are in any kind of need, please contact a member of the SVP which will be in the strictest confidence. A list of members can be found at the back of the church on the SVP information board.

Parish Coffee Morning – Every Thursday from 10-00 – 11-00 a.m. All welcome!

Month of Holy Souls If you would like your loved ones to be remembered in our Book of Remembrance on the Altar at each Mass through November, please place the names of loved ones in one of the "Holy Souls" envelopes provided. There is no requirement to enclose a stipend/donation in the envelope. As in previous years, Mass Intentions (with stipends) will continue as usual through the month of November.

Fr. Neil – will be returning to hospital for a further procedure on Thursday 3 November and isolating for three days beforehand. This means that, this year, there will be no celebrations of Mass on All Saints' Day or All Souls' Day. Please make other arrangements. Thank you for your prayers.

New Boiler for Parish Hall. Unfortunately the hall boiler needs to be replaced. It is proposed that the new boiler should be brought indoors – from the boiler room (into the kitchen utility room/cupboard) – to enable better access and protect from outside damp. We have received two estimates and accepted the cheaper estimate, which (nevertheless!) comes to £11,987 plus VAT. Donations toward the cost of the new boiler gratefully received.

International Food Festival! The St. Joseph's Parish Guild invite you to an International Food Festival in the Parish Hall on Sunday 23rd October from 2pm to 5pm. Come and explore multi-national cuisine for only £5-00. **Entrance by ticket only** (for catering purposes) and **limited to 50 tickets**. Please contact Nora 01639 639511 or Mary 01639 769265. Raffle. Something for everyone! Join us for friendship and food.

Craft & Knitting Group Every Tuesday from 11-30 a.m. to 1-30p.m. All welcome.

The Sick and Housebound Please continue to remember in your prayers all those who are sick and housebound, those in hospital and in our local care homes. Especially at this time, Peggy Swan and Katherine Wooley (Glynneath), Jane Boland, George Johnson, Nancy Morris, Cheryl Ford, Jason Saunders, Stephen Saunders, Yolanda Jones, Elizabeth Fluck, Lorna and Joe O'Brien, Betty Hopkins, Rose Williams, Margaret Jeffrey, Dennis Taylor, Marion Brocksopp., Marlene John, Fr. Neil. If you would like others to be remembered in this prayer list (with their permission) please supply their names.

PRAYER AFTER MASS *St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.*

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