



Eglwys Gatholig Sant Joseff, Castellnedd. 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 May <i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Parish & People Mary Sullivan R.I.P. (Pauline, Margaret & Family) Ken Hopkins R.I.P. (Lorna & Joey)
Monday 6th May	No Mass	
Tuesday 7th May	6.30 pm Neath 7.15 pm Neath	Gwyneth Larcombe R.I.P. (Elias Famil) Faith and Fellowship
Wednesday 8th May	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath 6.00 pm Neath	Kathleen & Paddy Carpenter R.I.P. (Donne, Pat & Family) Paul James R.I.P. (Mike & Lorraine) Coffin received into Church
Thursday 9th May	11.00 am Neath	Funeral Mass Anita Gore R.I.P.
Friday 10th May	9.30 am Neath	Thanksgiving (S.D.)
Sunday 12th May <i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Stan Meenan R.I.P. (Henry) Parish & People Sophia Hikary (Spec. Int.)

Confessions

Neath & Glynneath: on request

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



Friday after Mass



Readers for this week: 4th/5th May *Third Sunday of Easter*

Saturday Evening: Ceri McAteer, Patrick McAteer

Sunday Morning: Elizabeth Fluck, Sheila Williams

Readers for next week: 11th/12th May *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

Saturday Evening: David Reynolds, Maureen McAteer

Sunday Morning: Maureen Pitt, Isabel Buckingham



Church Cleaning

Team: 3

Thank you for your generosity
in the last offertory collection



Neath: 28.04.2019: £502.60 Levy: £72.50

Glynneath. 27.04.2019: £47.75

Lenten Alms: £64.58



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

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



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

Helen Evans, Kenneth Hopkins, Mary Gorman, Mary Turner, Constance Edwards, Gillian Moran, Elsie Thomas, Albert O'Callaghan, Norma Rees 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:

Special Intention (B.W.)



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

Peter Healey R.I.P.

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.

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!"

Anita Gore R.I.P.: please remember Anita in your prayers. Her Funeral Mass takes place this Thursday at 11.00 am. The coffin will be received into the Church on Wednesday at 6.00 PM. *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual life shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.*

The Second Collection: next weekend (Vocations Sunday) is for the Diocesan Priests' Training Fund.

The Turin Shroud Booklet distributed on Good Friday: Donations towards the cost (£500) gratefully received. Many thanks for the donation of £100.

Wedding Bells: Please remember in your prayers Ciara Dwan and Christian Madge who will be married in Ireland on 25th May and Abby-Marie and Dominic Lewis who will be married in Spain on 27th May.

Faith and Fellowship Meetings: will resume for five sessions on Tuesday 7th May at 7.15 pm in the Parish Hall (21st May, 4th June, 18th June, 2nd July). If you would like to learn more about the Catholic Faith in an informal atmosphere, please come along. All welcome.

Healed at Knock: Marion Carroll to speak at St. David's Priory on Saturday 11th May at 12.30. See poster for details.

Torchlight Procession: in honour of Our Lady: Belmont Abbey, Wednesday 15th May at 9.00 pm. See poster for details.

National Welsh Pilgrimage: to our Lady of the Tapir, Cardigan will take place on Sunday 19th May. A mini-bus will leave St Joseph's at 11.30. A limited number of seats. Please bring packed lunch. Contact Angela on 01792 424168/ 07708 105147.

Welsh National Lourdes Pilgrimage: 26-31 July led by Archbishop Stack and Bishop Tom Burns. See poster for further details.

Two Lunchtime Supervisors: are required at the School. Monday-Friday 12.00 -12.45. If interested, please contact the School.

School Accounts: Are you qualified to volunteer to audit the school accounts? Please contact school on 01639 635099.

Lourdes: there are still places available. This year the group spiritual leader will be Canon Pelosi. Please contact Deacon Jim or Sue Woods if you are interested. Our annual sponsored wheelchair push will take on May Day (6th May). Sponsorship forms are available at the back of Church or from group members.

Mass Requests: If you would like loved ones remembered at Mass on particular dates please advise several months in advance. Thank you.

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. Canon Jason Jones is Chaplain for Morriston Hospital on 07792 003905. If staying in hospital remember to advise staff you are happy to receive a visit from the Chaplain—otherwise your religious affiliation remains confidential to the staff.

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

Everyone has returned refreshed after the Easter Break. We would like to congratulate Eve who is this year's May Queen. The May Procession will take place on Friday 24th May at 2pm in the church.

Diary Dates - **May**

Tuesday 7th-14th National Testing Years 2-6

Monday 20th Finesse Photography

Monday 20th-Friday 24th E Safety Week

Friday 24th Mr Anthony's Class Assembly 9am

Friday 24th May Procession 2pm

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.