



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 2nd April <i>Fifth Sunday in Lent</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Marion O'Grady R.I.P. (Brendan) Danilo Tambini & Celestina Cogela R.I.P. (Mrs. G. Tambini)
Monday 3rd April	NO MASS	
Tuesday 4th April	NO MASS	
Wednesday 5th April	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	MICF Deceased Members R.I.P. David Jukes (Spec. Int) (Terri)
Thursday 6th April	9.30 am Neath	Alison Nicholson R.I.P. (Elizabeth & Roger Murphy)
Friday 7th April	9.30 am Neath	George Plunkett R.I.P. (Catenians)
Saturday 8th April		
Sunday 9th April <i>Palm Sunday</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Jim Insole R.I.P. (Paula & Adrian) Will David R.I.P. (June & David)

Confessions


Neath : on request

Glynneath: on request

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



Friday after Mass

 **Readers for this week: 1st/2nd April**
Saturday Evening: Patrick McAteer, Ceri McAteer
Sunday Morning: School
Readers for next week: 8th/9th April Palm Sunday
Saturday Evening: See lists
Sunday Morning : See Lists

Church Cleaning Team: 2



Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection



Neath: 26.03.17: £492.74 Levy: £86.30

Glynneath: 25.03.17: £52.90

Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:



S C Evans

Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:




Peter Healey

St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:



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

 Kath Wellington, Benita Whittington, Rosa Tristram, Audrey Gammon, Peter & Hazel Huxtable, Marjorie Grant, Leo Linney, Mike O'Hea, Gaynor Pickrell, Ana Maria, Gerry Rennick, Yolanda Jones, Peggy Evans, 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:

John Campbell, Edna Roche, Edward Davies, Bridget Davies, Jimmy Peoples, Leonardo Gottuso 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.

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.

We welcome: the participation of the School in our morning Mass this weekend.

Lenten Devotions: We shall follow the Stations of the Cross at St Joseph's on Friday at 7.00 pm and at St John Kemble on Saturday at 3.30 pm

Palm Sunday: Please be in good time for the Blessing of Palms and the Palm Sunday procession.

Holy Week Services:

Wednesday, 12th April 11.30 am. Chrism Mass in St Joseph's Cathedral, Swansea.

Holy Thursday, 13th April 7.00 pm. Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.00 pm.

Good Friday, 14th April 3.00 pm. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion. 7.00 pm (Neath) Stations of the Cross, 7.00 pm (Glynneath) Veneration of and Stations of the Cross.

Holy Saturday, 15th April 8.00 pm. Easter Vigil (First Mass of Easter)

Easter Day, 16th April 9.00 am St John Kemble Mass of Easter Day. 10.30 am Neath Mass of Easter Day.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR READINGS AND WASHING OF FEET FOR HOLY WEEK. THANK YOU.

Donations: towards the cost of the Easter flowers would be most welcome. Thank you.

Please remember in your prayers young Ethan Fluck who will be baptised into the Church next Saturday morning.

There will be no First Holy Communion classes for the next three Sundays (next class 30th April).

Envelopes: the new boxes of Parish Gift Aid Envelopes for 2017-2018 are now available at the back of Church. There are extra boxes if you pay tax and would like to gift aid your donation. Thank you.

Divine Mercy Sunday: Exposition, Confession and Benediction at Our Lady of Margam on Sunday 23rd April from 2.00 pm. Mass at 3.30 pm. (see poster)

Evening of Baroque Music: St David's Priory, Swansea tonight, Sunday, at 7.30 pm. £5. (see poster for details)

Mass Requests: please note that all weekend Masses are already reserved until the middle of June. If you would like loved ones remembered at Mass on particular dates please advise several months in advance. Thank you.

Our Lord's Housekeepers: if you are able to spend a couple of hours every 3/4 weeks helping to clean the Church, please contact Pat O'Connell.

Guidance for planning funeral liturgies: the leaflet has been reprinted and copies are available at the back of church.

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.

Belmont Abbey: 9.00 pm Wednesday 10th May: Torchlight

Procession in honour of Our Lady and visit of the National Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima + Relics of Blessed Jacinta & Blessed Francisco. Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions at Fatima. Visiting Preacher - Fr. Jason Jones. As last year transport has been arranged with Fr. Mansel and Fr. Jason. Coach will start at Mumbles, pick up at Morriston and then Neath. If you would like to join us, please contact Deacon Jim.

CAFOD Soup + roll lunch: Do come along and join us for a Cafod lunch after Mass today, even if you didn't indicate your intention to come. The event will run alongside the usual tea + coffee gathering. Thank you.

CAFOD's East Africa crisis appeal: The United Nations is warning that the world faces the largest humanitarian crisis in more than 70 years. Severe drought, lack of food, and civil war, mean that now over 16 million people across East Africa are facing starvation.

Please support our parish collection, this weekend for CAFOD's appeal. Your donation will get food, clean water and healthcare to people in desperate need. Find out more at cafod.org.uk/eastafrica. (Please use the envelopes left over from Fast Day, particularly if you are able gift aid your donation).

Deanery Stations Mass: many thanks to organist, choir, altar servers and Parish Guild for providing refreshments in the hall afterwards. Thank you also to the Guild for the donation of £300 to the Parish funds.

Please: take a copy of the Menevian on leaving Church.

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.

The Parish Hall: Is available for hire at very reasonable rates. 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



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.