



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 28th May <i>Ascension of the Lord</i>	4.00 pm (Saturday) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Saturday) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Parish & People Gerard McMahon R.I.P. (B. O'Grady) Donald & Sharon Burke R.I.P. (John Hickey)
Monday 29th May	NO MASS	
Tuesday 30th May	NO MASS	
Wednesday 31st May <i>The Visitation</i>	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	Barry Burke R.I.P. (John Hickey) Roy Morgan R.I.P. (Gerry & Elaine)
Thursday 1st June <i>St Justin Martyr</i>	9.30 am Neath	Kate & John (Spec. Int.) (M & L)
Friday 2nd June	9.30 am Neath	Doreen Richards R.I.P. (Mary & Ross)
Saturday 3rd June		
Sunday 4th June <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	4.00 pm (Saturday) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Saturday) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Private Intention Terry Isaac R.I.P. (Mary & v Family) Parish & People

Confessions

Neath : on request

Glynneath: on request

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



Friday after Mass

Readers for this week: 27th/28th May *Ascension of the Lord*

Saturday Evening: David Reynolds, Maureen McAteer

Sunday Morning: Roger Fluck

Readers for next week: 3rd/4th June *Pentecost Sunday*

Saturday Evening: Sue Koziel, Lorna Halloran

Sunday Morning : Peter Buckingham, Sheila Williams

Church Cleaning



Team: 1

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection



Neath: 21.05.17: £421.35 Levy: £84.10
Glynneath: 20.05.17 tba



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:

Maureen Lewis, Gerard O'Hanlon, Liam Tilbrook 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:



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:



Peter Healey

St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:



Ist Communion Candidates

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.

Music Day: with Bob Hurd at St. David's Hall, Swansea next Saturday, 3rd June 10.30 –3.30. See poster for further details.

Second Collection: next weekend for World Communications Day –for work of evangelisation and outreach in England and Wales.

Thank you: to all members of Sat Joseph's community for keeping me in your prayers and for all your kindness in my year of office as Mayor. Cllr Sheila Penry.

Fatima Centenary: This is the Centenary year of the Fatima apparitions, and the World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) England and Wales National Pilgrim Virgin statue, and relics of Blessed Jacinta and Francisco Marto, will be visiting Cathedrals and churches, including St Joseph's Cathedral in Swansea from 27-28 May 2017.

Sunday 28th St Josephs Cathedral -The Cathedral Hall will be open from 2.30pm for prayer and private devotion prior to the procession. **At 15:00 , the Bishop will preside over a Marian celebration which will include a procession and rosary and crowning. This will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and veneration of the relics of the new saints. The statue will arrive in time for the 5.30pm Vigil Mass followed by devotions** There will also be devotions after the usual 8am and 10.30 am Sunday Masses.

You can see more details here: <http://www.meneviacathedral.org/statue-of-our-lady-of-fatima/4593825810>

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.

Piety Shop: Gifts and cards are available for purchase and can also be ordered for you for special occasions. Please see Sheila.

Kwalukonge Clinic, Tanzania: Fr. Ambrose Chuwa, the clinic director, was in touch last week to thank us for our latest donation of 206,328.31 Tanzanian shillings (£77) raised in our monthly tea and coffee gatherings. The support is greatly appreciated. He also asks our prayers - the region has been hit by floods. At least ten people have died and houses and cars were carried towards mountains where they were smashed on huge boulders. The clinic continues to provide a service, but staff are 'locked in' - the roads are impassable meaning that the ambulance cannot pick up either patients or medicines. And, of course, crops will have been affected.

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

It has been an extremely busy week. The Carnival came to school!! When Mrs Henwood's and Mrs Stephens' children celebrated the end of their topic. On Thursday the whole school came together to for our Celebration Assembly. We finished the Half Term with Mrs Henwood's class assembly on "Holidays and Holy Days".

The school will be closed next week for Half Term.

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 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.