



# 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
<b>Sunday 20th November</b> <i>Christ the King</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Legion of Mary (Deceased Members) Maura & Len Hughes R.I.P. (Maria, Kevin & Family)
<b>Monday 21st November</b>	NO MASS	
<b>Tuesday 22nd November</b>	NO MASS	
<b>Wednesday 23rd November</b>	NO MASS	
<b>Thursday 24th November</b>	9.30 am Neath	Peter Codd R.I.P. (Ann & Andrew)
<b>Friday 25th November</b>	9.30 am Neath	Helena R.I.P.
<b>Saturday 26th November</b>		
<b>Sunday 27th November</b> <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30 am Sunday Neath	Thanksgiving (Nancy) John Williams R.I.P. School Mass

### Confessions

Neath : on request  
Glynneath: on request

### Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



Friday after Mass

**Readers for this week:** 12th/13th November 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday Evening:**

**Sunday Morning:**

**Readers for next week:** 19th/20th November Christ the King

**Saturday Evening:**

**Sunday Morning :**



**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, 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:**

Kathleen Lee, Guiseppina Lewis. Mervyn Myers, Dennis Underwood 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**



23.11.16:

Neath: £437.21 Levy: £80.20

Glynneath: £87.50



Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:

*Margaret Allen*



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:

*Desmonf Comerford*



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

*Peter Healey*

**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.

**The Second Collection:** this Sunday will be our annual Christmas SVP Collection to help our Parish SVP to assist the homeless and elderly in our own locality.

**November, Month of Holy Souls:** During the month of November the primary intention of every Mass will be for those whose names are written in our Book of Remembrance on the Altar. If you would like a loved one remembered, please fill in the form at the back of the Church and place in the envelope provided. Other intentions may also be received but no stipend is requested because the primary intention of every Mass will be the souls of the Faithful Departed.

**Autumn Fayre:** Thanks to all who supported and helped in any way. Total raised was £725.00

**Christmas Draw tickets:** are now available at the back of Church. Please take some to sell amongst family and friends. Thank you for your support.

**Sanctuary Arch Appeal:** Earlier in the year we set ourselves the target to raise £9,000 (50% of the total cost). We are very grateful to the Parish hall Committee for the £725 raised at the Autumn Fayre which now brings the Sanctuary Arch Appeal to £8138.39. A magnificent effort by all. Many thanks.

**“The Art of Dying Well”:** A new Catholic website with professional advice regarding palliative care, ethics, chaplaincy etc from the Bishops of England and Wales. [www.artofdyingwell.org](http://www.artofdyingwell.org). See prayer cards at the back of the Church.

**FREE ADVENT DEVOTIONAL LITERATURE:** (i) Walk with Me - Advent devotional readings (ii) Junior Day By Day (iii) Infant Day by Day. Help your children to celebrate Advent.

**First Holy Communion:** Classes will begin after Christmas. If you would like to enrol a child in the preparation classes please complete the form provided at the back of the Church and return it to Fr. Neil.

**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.

**Lourdes 2017:** There are still a few places available on next year's group. We are particularly interested in recruiting young helpers (aged 16 -25) for whom financial support is available. Please contact Sue Woods or Deacon Jim.

**Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land! (proposed):** For the Parishes of St Joseph's and St John Kemble, November 20th - 27th 2018 (NOT NEXT YEAR). Cost £1019 (half board). Memorable itinerary. Minimum number of 20 required for the pilgrimage to go ahead. If you are interested, please contact Paula on 636739.

### 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

Rehearsals for the Christmas concerts are well under way. Auditions for “Primary School Christmas Musical” and “Whoops a Daisy Angel” have been held.

### Diary Dates

#### November

Thursday 17th 3.30-6pm Parents Christmas Shopping/Cinema Night  
Friday 18th 9am Mr Anthony's Class Assembly  
Sunday 27th 10.30 Advent Mass  
Wednesday 30th Christmas Craft Fayre 4.30-6.30pm

**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 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.