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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 22nd May <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30am Sunday Neath	People & Parish David & Mair Parker & Peter Conor R.I.P. (David & Nora) Shaun & Evan Elias R.I.P. (Family)
Monday 23rd May	NO MASS	
Tuesday 24th May	6.30 pm Neath 7.00 pm	John Scotson (Spec Int) (P.M.) Confirmation Class
Wednesday 25th May	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath 7.00 pm St Terese	Francizek & Teresa Pokoyski R.I.P. (Francis & Diane) Gertrude Mahon R.I.P. (M & L) Choir Rehearsal
Thursday 26th May	9.30 am Neath	John Paul McKeever R.I.P. (P.M.)
Friday 27th May	NO MASS 10.45 am Neath	Funeral Service -Ken Hopkins R.I.P.
Saturday 28th May		
Sunday 29th May <i>Corpus Christi</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30am Sunday Neath 3.30 pm Sunday Neath	Joe Doolin R.I.P. (Nancy) Parish & People Wendy Baker R.I.P. (Kevin & Lorna) Deanery Corpus Christi Mass

Confessions

Neath : on request
Glynneath: on request

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

After Friday Morning Mass.

Readers for this week: : 21st/22nd May The Most Holy Trinity
Saturday Evening: Ceri McAteer, Patrick McAteer
Sunday Morning: Babs Hunt, Alice Williams
Readers for next week: 28th/29th May Corpus Christi
Saturday Evening: David Reynolds, Maureen McAteer
Sunday Morning: Roger Fluck, Ann Bromage

Church Cleaning Team 2

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection
 Neath: 15.05.16 £572.84
 Levy: £103.95 Communications Day: £159.77
 Glynneath: 23.04.16: £51.50, 30.04.16: £40.50
 7.05.16: £40.50, Ukranian Appeal: £10.60.
 14.05.16: £50.95



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, Bernard Madden, 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:

Evan George Elias, Sydney Parsons, Kathleen Lewis 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:
 Peter Healey



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:
 First Communion and Confirmation Candidates



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:
 S.N.

CROESO—WELCOME! To all visitors. We hope you enjoy your stay in the area.

Ken Hopkins R.I.P.: please remember Ken in your prayers and Betty and the Family. Ken's Funeral Service will take place this Friday 27th May at 10.45 am here in St. Joseph's. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him.*

Mary Fletcher R.I.P.: Please remember Mary in your prayers who died in Morriston Hospital on Friday morning. *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon her.*

Please remember in your prayers Tegan Molly Hopkins who will be baptised into the Church at our 10.30 Sunday Mass.

Congratulations: to Mrs Sheila Penry who was inaugurated as Mayor of Neath Port Talbot Borough Council on Friday. Sheila's Civic Service will take place here in St Joseph's on Sunday 10th July at 2.30 pm. All are warmly invited to attend. Sheila would very much value your prayers for her as she takes up her mayoral responsibilities.

The Month of Mary: During the month of May we shall say a decade of the Rosary before each weekday mass.

Tea and Coffee: A reminder that there will be no gathering in the Hall next Sunday, 29th, due to the Corpus Christi Mass.

Children's Liturgy: If you are able to help with the Children's Liturgy on Sunday's please have a word with Katrina, Maria, Louise or Michelle. Thank you.

Catholic Bible School in Wales: The next event is being held on Saturday 28th May at St David's Priory in Swansea. This day, led by Sarah Beresford, will be looking at "Praying the Psalms". We will meet on Saturday 28th May at 10am to 3pm in at St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea, SA1 3NG. Please bring a packed lunch. Suggested donation £10.00. For more information see www.catholic-bible-school.org/event

Corpus Christi Mass in Neath Abbey: Due to additional Health & Safety concerns at the Abbey our Deanery Mass will take place here in St Joseph's at 3.30 pm next Sunday followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall and Exposition and Benediction in the Church from 6.00 pm to 9.00 pm. "A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory" (St Padre Pio). Please give this Deanery Mass your full support. Bishop Tom will be the main celebrant, Parish Banners will be processed and all Deanery choirs / singers are invited to the choir rehearsal at St Terese's, Port Talbot at 7.00 pm on Wednesday.

St John Kemble 30th Anniversary: on Wednesday 8th June 2016. We are hoping to hold a special service and then celebrate at a local restaurant afterwards. Further details to follow for this joint parish event.

First Holy Communion: Attendance of children and parents at Mass is an essential part of the preparation programme. The First Holy Communion Mass will take place on SUNDAY 17th July. 11 children have been enrolled—please remember them in your prayers: Bethany Tristram, Callum Lavin, Daniel Jones, Iori Davies, Bethany Clifford, Kieran Cameron, Eve Abell, Kyla Evans, Violette Orrin, Erin Greene, Brando Greene.

Confirmation: The sacrament of Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Tom on Sunday 11th September at **3.00 pm**. Regular attendance at Mass is an essential part of preparing for the Confirmation. Twenty three names have been received for enrolment, please keep them in your prayers: Hannah Parel, Elma Parel, Emilia Evans, Patrick Comerford-Davies, Iori Comerford-Davies, Cabhan Comerford Davies, Niamh Bray, Ciara Bray, Mercedes Goldthrite, Abigail Goldthrite, Georgia Staddon, Emily Protheroe, Ryan Protheroe, Charlotte Humphries, Ryan Davies, Niamh McCarthy, Jessica Lloyd, Lauren Davies, Emily Syder, Alice Syder, Leon Finnegan, Dylan Tristram and Anastasia Lynch. Confirmation classes after the Tuesday 6.30 pm Mass on 24th May, 14th June, 21st June.

Sanctuary Arch Appeal: Many thanks for the further donation of £100 which takes our total so far to £2684.46. Further donations will be gratefully received.

DIOCESAN DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION: The Diocese of Menevia is seeking to recruit a practising Catholic, an exceptional individual, who will provide leadership, vision, professional advice and strategic direction for the Catholic schools within the Diocese.

The salary and pension benefits payable will be circa £45-50K on a 4 day week depending on experience. Further details and an application pack are available from the Diocesan Education Office: Email: education@menevia.org or Tel: 01792 652757. **CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS THURSDAY 2nd June 2016**

School News

Year Six have completed a two week swimming block; they have grown in confidence and competence. Our school nurse visited them on Tuesday to help them understand the changes they face during puberty.

We honoured Mary our Mother during the May procession on Thursday. Our May Queen Lauren was attended by the children who will receive their First Holy Communion. As always this was a truly uplifting occasion.

Diary Dates

Half Term: Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June

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 07708 105147.

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.