



Eglwys Gatholig Sant Joseff, Castell-nedd. 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 17th November <i>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Parish & People Mary Holland R.I.P. (Deacon Jim & Marie) Dennis & Peggy Watkins R.I.P. (Roger & Elizabeth Fluck)
Monday 18th November	No Mass	
Tuesday 19th November	No Mass	
Wednesday 20th November	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	Sr. Clare R.I.P. (Yolanda & Nantlais) Heppesly Family R.I.P. (Bella)
Thursday 21st November <i>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.30 am Neath	Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary R.I.P. (L.O.M.)
Friday 22nd November	9.30 am Neath	Brian Hudson R.I.P. (Brigid & Family)
Saturday 23rd November	11.15 am Sacred Heart, Morrision	DOMSEC
Sunday 24th November <i>Christ the King</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Parish & People Brian Hudson R.I.P. (Brigid & Family) Paddy Clifford R.I.P. (Roger & Elizabeth Fluck)

Confessions



Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



Readers for this week: 16th/17th November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Evening: Ann Bromage, Nora Reynolds

Sunday Morning: Desiree Nicholas, Peter Buckingham

Readers for next week: 23rd/24th November Christ the King

Saturday Evening: Adrian MacPherson Jones, Paula MacPherson Jones



Church Cleaning

Team: 1

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection



Neath: 10.11.19: £498.45 Levy: £80.70

Glynneath: 09.11: tba



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

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

St John Kemble: Maria, Harry, Peggy, Anita, Fred and Ann.



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

Maria Koziel, Kathleen Griffiths, Peter Codd, Kathleen Lee, David George, Brian Hudson 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:

Thanksgiving E.P.



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:

Mrs Florianne Brioche & Norman Elisa (Health)



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

Sr. Clare

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.

DOMSEC (The Diocese of Menevia School of Evangelisation and Catechetics): Explore the Catholic faith! See the excellent website www.domsec.org.uk

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!"

Toys in Mass: It is lovely to have toddlers in our Mass. Please ensure that all toys are soft-edged. It is distracting to the celebration of Mass to have toys banged, dropped on the floor.

Mass Intentions: Please note that every Sunday until January already has a Mass Intention. Please think several months ahead if requesting a Sunday Mass Intention!

Advent Booklets: The Advent "Walk With Me" booklets of prayers and readings are now available. Please take your FREE copy from the back of the Church

Piety Shop: Christmas Cards and Calendars now available

Christmas Draw: Tickets now available on the table at the back of Church., £2.50 per book of 5. Please return counterfoils and money by 8th December at the latest. Many thanks.

Health & Safety: Do we have qualified First Aiders in the congregation if someone is taken ill in Mass? Please give your name to Fr. Neil for a list to be placed on the noticeboard. Many thanks.

Future Options for the Diocese: At the meeting of clergy with Archbishop George this week of the 35 clergy present, 31 voted to maintain the Diocese and for the appointment of a new bishop.

From Archbishop George, Our Apostolic

Administrator: The Welsh Government wants to take away the rights of parents to withdraw their children from Relationship and Sex Education (RaSE) and Religious Education (RE). They also want to dumb down the subject of RE and force schools to teach children about worldviews instead. Archbishop George is asking parishioners to contact urgently their Assembly Member and demand that THE State does not usurp parents' rights to decide how they teach these sensitive topics to their children Visit: catholiceducation.org.uk for further information.

NB these changes will take place unless you object! You can give your response directly to the Welsh Government

at: <https://gov.wales/ensuring-access-full-curriculum>
Closing Date: 28th NOVEMBER. Please see response the Catholic Education Service– sheets available at the back of Church to help you wording your response.

Month of Holy Souls: If you would like your loved ones to be remembered at every Mass during the month of November please insert names into the envelopes provided. PLEASE NOTE that no stipend/donation is requested because stipends will continue to be received in the usual way throughout November for special intentions.

Church Flowers: Donations gratefully received towards the cost of church flowers. Funds are low!

Thank you: for two further donations of £500 to the church funds. All donations gratefully received.

SVP Diary of Future Events in the Hall:

November 21st Film - The Nativity Story 1.30 for 2.00 pm
December 11th Christmas Cracker Party with singer Christine Lee Jones. Please Note Change of Date
Transport provided if required. Tea. Coffee & Biscuits provided on cinema afternoons. FREE ENTRY Please support us.

January 9th 2020 Sing a Long Tea Party with Bill Bennet.

SVP Christmas Gifts for Children in need: Gifts must be unwrapped and donated by 1st December for 3 boys, Max age 15, Mckenzie and Lynk (aged 7) and 3 girls, Leelo and Seren (aged 10) and Mia Michelle (aged 3). Many thanks.

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, please contact Angela Healey on 01792 424168/07708105147.



Parent & Toddler Group:
meet in the hall
every Wednesday
m o r n i n g
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 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.