



# Eglwys Gatholig Sant Joseff, Castellnedd. 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 15th November	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Derek Taylor R.I.P (Mary, Ross & Family) Russell Palfrey R.I.P
Monday 16th November	NO MASS	
Tuesday 17 th November	6.30 pm Neath	Nancy & Hector Scotson R.I.P. (P.M.)
Wednesday 18th November <i>Dedication of the Basilica of St Peter &amp; St Paul</i>	9.30 Neath 11.00 Glynneath	Reynolds Family (dec) R.I.P. Hippersley & Jenkins Family (dec) R.I.P.
Thursday 19th November	9.30 Neath	Peter Codd R.I.P. (Ann & Andrew).
Friday 20th November	9.30 Neath	Ceila Scotson R.I.P. (P.M.)
Saturday 21st November		
Sunday 22nd November <i>Our Lord Jesus King of the Universe</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30am Sunday Neath	Catherine Newcombe R.I.P. Tony Pickrell R.I.P (G & R Newton) Parish & People



### Confessions

Neath : on request

Glynneath: on request



### Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

After Friday Morning Mass.



**Readers for this week:** 14th/15th November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday Evening:** Laurence MacPherson Jones, Nora Reynolds

**Sunday Morning:** Ann Bromage, Roger Fluck

**Readers for next week:** 21st/22nd November Christ the King

**Saturday Evening:** Paula MacPherson Jones, Adrian MacPherson Jones

**Sunday Morning** : Peter Buckingham, Sheila Williams



### Church Cleaning

**Team 2**

**Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection**



Neath: 1.11: £530.52 Levy: £97.10  
Glynneath: 8.11: £37.75

Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:



P.M.H

Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:



Charlotte Bligh & Friends  
R.I.P.

St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:



Baby Josie Protheroe R.I.P..



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

Kath Wellington, Eileen Williams,  
Benita Whittington, Rosa Tristram,

Audrey Gammon, Peter and Hazel Huxtable,  
Marjorie Grant, Olive Davies, Leo Linney, Mike O'Hea,

Gladys Gallagher, Gaynor Pickrell, Lilian Lowry,  
Ana Maria, Gerry Rennick, Mary Holmes,  
Yolanda Jones, Peggy Evans,  
Bernard Madden, Harper Marie Beasley, David Jukes and Anita Gore.



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

Ursula Farrelly, David Matthias,  
Shaun Walsh, Maria Koziel, Kathleen Griffiths, Kathleen Lee 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.*

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

**Exposition:** Friday morning after Mass.

**Month of Holy Souls:** November is traditionally the Month of Holy Souls. If you would like your loved ones to be remembered, envelopes and paper will be available from this weekend to write down the names of family and friends. A black folder will be placed on the altar at every Mass during November containing all the names received. Red Funeral Candles (for the graveside) will be available (at a cost of £3) from the back of Church.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Noah Hikary who will be baptised in the 10.30 Mass next Sunday and Nathan Farrell (on Saturday afternoon).

**First Holy Communion:** Names (with addresses, dates of birth and baptism) to Fr. Neil please of those hoping to make their first Holy Communion in June 2016. Without volunteers to take the First Holy Communion classes, the First Holy Communion Mass will be postponed until 2017.

**“Come and Adore”:** Advent reflections at Belmont Abbey on Saturday 5th December. See poster for details.

**Christmas Raffle Tickets:** are available from the back of the church. Please take a few books and return the stubs and money to Roger Fluck. Thank you.

**Lourdes 2016:** Next year’s Pilgrimage will take place from 5th to the 14th July (subject to a minimum of 22). As always we are keen to recruit a few young helpers, aged 15+ as well as adults. Cost will be the same as the last 2 years, £750 and a non refundable deposit of £50 secures your place. For further details please contact Sue Woods or Deacon Jim.

**World Gifts:** Catalogues are now available at the back of the church. World gifts may be bought at any time of year and enable CAFOD to support various global projects, as well as giving gifts with a difference to those who have all they need. Please take one and peruse at your leisure.

**Organ Transplants:** You must decide by 1st December whether you are unwilling for your organs to be transplanted without your consent - otherwise your consent will be assumed. Fr. Neil will be giving his reasons why he is opting out.

**Confirmation:** we hope to invite Bishop Tom to administer the sacrament of Confirmation in the summer of 2016. Names please to Fr. Neil. Candidates for Confirmation must

be regular attendees at Mass.

**Christmas Flowers:** donations towards the costs of decorating the Church with flowers for Christmas will be gratefully received.

**The Catholic Bible School:** final event in Wales for 2015 will be on Saturday 28th November in St Dyfrig’s Church, Treforest. It will be led by Gemma Wildsmith, who will be looking at the theme “Christ our Bridegroom”. We will meet at 10am to 3pm in St Dyfrig’s Church Hall, Broadway, Treforest, Pontypridd, CF37 1DB. Please bring a packed lunch. Suggested donation £10.

**Swansea University Theology Public Lecture Series:** “Discourses of Religious Diversity; Exploring the value of ‘difference’ and ‘diversity’ in debates about religion in the UK” by Professor Martin Stringer (Pro Vice-Chancellor at Swansea University; former Professor of Liturgical and Congregational Studies in the Department of Theology and Religion at Birmingham University) 7.00pm Tuesday, 24th November 2015 in the James Callaghan Lecture Theatre, Swansea University, Singleton Park, Swansea.

#### 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

During the week Nigel, from the charity “The Size of Wales”, spoke to Years One and Two about the endangered Nigerian rain forest and the elephants it is home to. The children gave mature responses to questions posed and were beautifully behaved. They visited our Nature Reserve and took part in Forest School Activities.

Claire, a member of the Dogs Trust, visited and explained to our KS2 children how to care for dogs and behave around them. Rehearsals for the Christmas concerts are well under way. Auditions have been held.

#### Dates for your diary: November

Thursday 19th 3.30-6.30pm Parents Christmas Shopping/Cinema Night

Friday 20th 9am Year 3 Class Assembly

Sunday 29th 10.30 School Advent Mass

**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.