



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 22nd January <i>3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Thanksgiving (Susan & Ieuan Evans) Kasia & Ouday (Spec Int.)
Monday 23rd January	NO MASS	
Tuesday 24th January	6.30 pm Neath	John & Sheila Scotson R.I.P. (PM)
Wednesday 25th January <i>Conversion of St. Paul— End of Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity</i>	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	Joseph, Lugian, Francis & Lily Pearl R.I.P. Huws Family (Sp. Int.) (PM)
Thursday 26th January <i>Ss. Timothy & Titus</i>	9.30 am Neath 5.00pm Neath	Mary Widlake R.I.P. (Cystic Fibrosis) Coffin received into Church
Friday 27th January	11.00am Neath	Funeral Mass: Jim Insole R.I.P.
Saturday 28th January		
Sunday 29th January <i>4th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Martin Joseph Mead R.I.P. (Michael & Fam.) Jack & Josie May R.I.P. (P. Phillips)

Confessions

Neath : on request
Glynneath: on request

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

Friday after Mass



Readers for this week: 21st/22nd January
Saturday Evening: A. McPherson-Jones, P. McPherson-Jones
Sunday Morning: B. Hunt, A. Williams
Readers for next week: 28th/29th January
Saturday Evening: P. McAteer, C. McAteer
Sunday Morning : R. Fluck, A. Bromage



Church Cleaning Team: 1



Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection



Neath: 15.01.17: £520.00 Levy: £85.25
Glynneath: 14.01.17: £43.50, Sick & Retired clergy: £34.40, Crib: £15.14

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, Olive Davies, 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, Joan Thomas and Anita Gore.



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

Fernando Conterosito, Reginald Edwards, Dian Hendy, Rose Jones, Morgan Turner, Kathleen Morgan 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:



Private Intention

St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:



Anita Francis R.I.P.

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.

James Insole R.I.P.: Please remember Jim in your prayers and Rosemary and the family at this time. Jim's Funeral Mass will be at 11.00 am on Friday. Reception into the church on Thursday at 5.00 pm. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace.*

Please remember in your prayers: Alexander Yousif who will be baptised into the Church during 10.30 Mass next Sunday. Also remember his family Firaz, Jeanine, William and George.

First Holy Communion: Classes will begin at 9.30 am today in the Parish Hall before the 10.30 Mass. The First Holy Communion Mass will be on Sunday 18th June.

"Do you love me?": a guide to Catholic Prayer and Spirituality, Friday 3rd February 7.00 pm at Belmont Abbey (01432 374750)

Sanctuary Arch Appeal: Congratulations! We are pleased to announce that we have now raised the magnificent sum of £9,159 towards the Arch Appeal. Many thanks to all fund-raisers and for generous donations.

Church Repairs: Work will begin this month on renovating guttering and fascia boards around the church and presbytery.

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.

Pilgrimages: to Medugorje, 15th –22nd June 2017 (£589) and to Fatima, 10th-15th October 2017 (£678) - a few places left. Contact Sr. Margaret on 01792 473453.

The Welsh National Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 23rd to 28th July this year. Please see poster for details.

Catholic Bible School: Heroes of the Old Testament: Alan de Ste Croix is returning to Swansea this January to lead us through the entire Old Testament exploring the stories of the major characters and why they are still relevant to us today. The first of 6 meetings (January-June) will be on Saturday 28th January (10am - 3pm) at St David's Priory, St David's Place, Swansea, SA1 3NG. This will be Part 1 of the Burning Within Bible Course. Burning Within will be held on the fourth Saturday of each month at various locations across South Wales. Each day stands alone so don't worry if you

miss some! There is no charge for the course, but all donations are gratefully received. Tea, Coffee and biscuits are provided but you will need to bring your own packed lunch. For more information see www.catholic-bible-school.org/south-wales-events or mail catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com.

Postage Stamps: Many thanks for continuing to pass on your used postage stamps. British and overseas stamps are used to raise funds for the Helen Keller School for Sight-impaired children in Jerusalem. Since September, the school has been placed under the guardianship of the Franciscan Order. A reminder to leave a good margin of envelope around the stamp(s) - those cut too closely will be of no value.

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

Sorry—no news from St. Joseph's on the Hill Primary this week — maybe a double dose will follow next week.

Diary:

Friday 3rd February: Mrs. Brooks' class assembly.
Tuesday 7th February: Safer Internet Day.

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.