



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 10th April <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Mary Meaney R.I.P. (Brendon) Fr. Eddie Murphy R.I.P. (HHAPY)
Monday 11th April	NO MASS	
Tuesday 12th April	6.30 pm Neath	Private Intention (Improved Health)
Wednesday 13th April	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	Dymphna Hickey R.I.P. (JH) Private Intention
Thursday 14th April	9.30 am Neath	Roger & Elizabeth Fluck (Golden Wedding)
Friday 15th April	9.30 am Neath 2.00 pm Neath	James "Bing" O'Donnell R.I.P. (Peg) Funeral mass Mary Maher R.I.P.
Saturday 16th April		
Sunday 17th April <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10.30am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Sr. Clare (Spec Int) (Yolanda & Nantlais) Jimmy Healey R.I.P. (James Cahill)



Confessions

Neath : on request
Glynneath: on request



Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

After Friday Morning Mass.



Readers for this week: 9th/10th April 3rd Sunday of Easter

Saturday Evening: Ceri McAteer, Patrick McAteer

Sunday Morning: Ann Bromage, Roger Fluck

Readers for next week: 16th/17th April 4th Sunday of Easter

Saturday Evening: David Reynolds, Maureen McAteer

Sunday Morning : Peter Buckingham, Sheila Williams



Church Cleaning

Team 2

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection

Neath: £496.20, Levy:

£87.00

Glynneath: £71.50



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, Mary Holmes, Yolanda Jones, Peggy Evans, Bernard Madden, Harper Marie Beasley, 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:

Dorothy Palfrey, Mario Berni, Raffaella Aprea, James "Bing" O'Donnell, Edna May McCarthy 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:
 Mona Pugh Healey R.I.P.



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:
 Peter Healey



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:
 First Communion
 & Confirmation Candidates

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

Mary “Maureen” Maher R.I.P.: Please remember the family and Maureen, whose Funeral Mass is this Friday at 2.00 pm. *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon her.*

Richard Cox R.I.P.: Please remember in your prayers Richard Cox of Port Talbot (aged 42) who grew up in St Joseph’s Church and whose funeral took place at Margam Crematorium on the 1st April. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him.*

Second Collection: next Sunday, will be the annual “Priests Training Fund” Collection.

Parish Archive appeal: Do you have items (photographs, booklets, etc.) which are part of our parish history? If so, please could we borrow them for copying to help with their preservation? If you enclose your item with as much information as possible about it – and your contact details – in an envelope marked ‘Parish Archive’, we promise a safe and swift return. Thank you (Sandra & Alan).

St Joseph’s Parish Guild: will meet on Monday 11th April at 2.00 pm in the Parish Hall.. New members always welcome.

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.

Catholic Bible School Day: The next Catholic Bible School event is on Saturday 23rd April at St Helen’s RC Church in Barry. The day will be led by Fr Tim McGrath asking us “Why should we read the Prophets today?” We will meet at 10am to 3pm in at St Helen’s RC Church, Court Road, Barry, CF63 4ET. Bring a packed lunch. Suggested donation £10.00.

Belmont Abbey, May Procession: May 11th. A coach is being organised by Fr. Mansel at Mumbles. This will start in Mumbles, pick up at Sacred Heart, Morrision and St Joseph’s Neath. Further details to follow but we have a maximum of 15 seats so if you are interested please let Deacon Jim know.

Welsh National Pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Taper, Cardigan on Pentecost Sunday, 15th May: Rosary Procession at 2.30 pm, Mass at 3.00 pm. See poster for further details.

The new Gift Aid boxes and envelopes: for 2016-2017 are now available at the back of Church.

Easter ‘Day by Day’ booklets: for Infants and for Juniors are now available at the back of Church - £1.

Lourdes: as a result of a cancellation there are 2 places available for this July. Contact Deacon Jim as soon as possible.

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. Regular attendance at Mass is an essential part of preparing for the Confirmation. Twenty one 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 will begin after the Tuesday 6.30 pm Mass on April 26th and then 10th, 24th, 31st May , 14th June.

Parish Finances, St Josephs: I am pleased to announce that in the last 12 months our parish finances have improved from £11,921.69 overdrawn to a new parish balance of £13,292.61, plus £10,000 set aside for work on the boiler room and £872 towards work on the Sanctuary Arch. This means that in 12 months we have raised through generous one-off donations, gift aid returns, parish fund-raising events, the magnificent (unbelievable!) sum of £35,086.30. Many, many thanks to all generous donors and parish fund raisers. We have several big projects ahead of us (as well as the boiler room and Sanctuary arch) including the Rose Window wall, Disabled Toilet, new tarmac of drive, new Confessional Box. Further contributions to repair the Sanctuary arch would be most appreciated (including one off donations) and also a “Church Restoration Fund” Box is now placed at the back of the Church and will be emptied every week.. *Dioc yn fawr iawn!* Many thanks!

Vocations Prayer

Lord, make me a better person,
More considerate towards others,
More honest with myself,

School News

School is now closed for the Easter holiday. We wish all staff and pupils a restful break and hope and pray that they come back refreshed for the Summer Term.

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! !



help raise funds for our Church.

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.