



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 2nd February <i>Candlemas</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Gill Ward (Spec int.) (Jim) Parish & People Lar Barry R.I.P. (James & Glenda)
Monday 3rd February	No Mass	
Tuesday 4th February <i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>	6.30 pm Neath	“Chris’s Father” R.I.P.
Wednesday 5th February	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	School Mass Susan Cavalli R.I.P. (School) Dilys Thomas R.I.P. (Barrie & Jonathon)
Thursday 6th February	9.30 am Neath	Rose & Francis (Spec. Int.)
Friday 7th February	9.30 am Neath	Avril Rees R.I.P. (The Michael Family)
Saturday 8th February		
Sunday 9th February <i>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Holy Souls (Alex Miles) Roger Murphy R.I.P. Parish & People

Confessions

On request or before or after any Mass

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament



Friday after Mass

Readers for this week: 1st/2nd February Presentation of the Lord



Saturday Evening: Ceri McAteer, Patrick McAteer

Sunday Morning: Sheila Williams, Babs Hunt

Readers for next week: 8th/9th February 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Evening:

Sunday Morning:

Church Cleaning



Team: 3

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection



Neath: 26.01.20: £520.31 Levy: £81.60

Sick & Retired Clergy: £423.82 (updated)

Glynneath: 18.01.20: £34.20 Sick & Retired Clergy: £34.00



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,



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

Luisa Salmi, Josephine May, Elizabeth May, Antionetta Bester, Ann Cuddy, Iain Davies, William Jelly, Joan Thomas, Mabel Carroll, Kathleen Pugsley 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:

Paddy Clifford R.I.P.



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:

Susan Cavalli R.I.P.



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

Joseph O'Leary 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.

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!"

Faith & Fellowship Meetings: We shall continue to participate in the DOMSEC Deanery Courses. The next course is led by Fr. Jerome Huah on "Scripture, Spirituality and Evangelisation". I suggest we join the meetings at the Sacred Heart, Morryston on Saturdays from 11.30-2.00pm on 14th March, 28th March, 25th April, 16th May, 30th May (Alternatively, there are also meetings at St Joseph's, Port Talbot on Fridays from 7.00 - 8.45 pm on 13th March, 27th March, 24th April, 15th May, 29th May). ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS COURSE. Please take an application form from the back of the Church.

Holy Baptism: Please remember in your prayers Alfie-Joseph Green who will be baptised into the Church next Sunday afternoon.

Food Bank Please remember to support the Food Bank which is well supported by St John Kemble and local churches/chapels but has very little support at St Joseph's. Non perishable foodstuffs are especially welcomed.

2020 Welsh National Pilgrimage to Lourdes 19th-24th July. For more details see poster or contact the Pilgrimage Director, Fran Mainwaring. welshnationalpilgrimage@gmail.com

Lente,n Pilgrimage to Abercynon: Friday 27th March leaving at 9.30 am. A parish trip to visit the restored shrine to Our Lady of Lourdes, rededicated by Archbishop George in October. Mass) and Stations of the Cross (also restored) leading down to the riverside Grotto followed by a meal together. Please sign up on list at the back of the Church where further details are available.

Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes: Sunday 16th February 3.30 pm at Our Lady of Margam. See poster for details.

First Holy Communion Classes: there will be an initial meeting to begin and introduce the course next Sunday, 9th February at 9.30 am in the Parish Hall. Application forms must be returned to the Parish Priest BEFORE attending the classes. (First Holy Communion Mass - Sunday 28th June)

Sacrament of Confirmation: Saturday 11th July at 6.00 Vigil Mass. Please return completed forms to Fr. NEIL.

St Joseph's Parish Guild: will meet on Monday 10th February at 2.00 pm in the Parish Hall. New members welcome.

Used Postage Stamps: Many thanks to all who have brought their stamps for sale on behalf of the Helen Keller School for Visually-Impaired Children in Jerusalem. All stamps are welcome, but must have a margin of envelope around them (unless they are in an album)

SVP: urgently require adult tents for the homeless. If you have good condition tent you no longer use/require we will be very happy to take it off you. Please speak to a member of the SVP for further details.

Year of the God who Speaks – Artists: The Arts have always had an important role to play in communicating the message of God to the people. The diocese of Menevia is going to have an exhibition, in Swansea from the 18th July 2020, of work from artists all around the diocese. If you are an artist who can contribute work to this please join us by contacting Peter Cooper at email peter.art@btinternet.com or phone on 01547 528761.

St Joseph's Parish Guild: The Guild are looking to hold an International Food Festival in May/June on a Saturday afternoon in aid of Parish funds. They are looking for different nationalities/cultures to provide a taste of their cuisine. Please contact Nora on 07816 315897 or Sheila on 07913 663586 as soon as possible.

Our Lord's Housekeepers: we would like to establish a fourth cleaning team on the Church rota. If you are able to give a little time once every four weeks please contact Pat O'Connell or Fr. Neil. Thank you.

SVP Diary of Events:

February 13th: Valentine cinema showing of "Shall We Dance". Tea/Coffee and raffle

May 7th: V.E. Day Celebration Party with entertainment artist. More details to follow shortly.

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 morning from 9:00 -11:00 and



Would you like to have a 7 day candle burn for an intention in 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.