



# 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
<b>Sunday 8th March</b> <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	3.30 pm (Sat) Glynneath 4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath  10.30 am Neath	Stations of the Cross Parish & People William John Sullivan R.I.P. (Pauline, Margaret & Families) Susan Cavalli R.I.P. (Ann, Des & Family)
<b>Monday 9th March</b>	No Mass	
<b>Tuesday 10th March</b>	6.30 pm Neath	Kitty Williams R.I.P.
<b>Wednesday 11th March</b>	9.30 am Neath 11.00 am Glynneath	James O'Connell R.I.P. (Donie, Pat & Family) Fr. John Ellis R.I.P. (SPCD)
<b>Thursday 12th March</b>	No Mass	
<b>Friday 13th March</b>	9.30 am Neath 7.00 pm Neath	Canon Eddie Mullins R.I.P. (SPCD) Stations of the Cross
<b>Saturday 14th March</b>	11.30 am Morryston	Faith & Fellowship/DOMSEC meeting
<b>Sunday 15th March</b> <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	3.30 pm (Sat) Glynneath 4.00 pm (Sat) Glynneath 6.00 pm (Sat) Neath 10.30 am Neath	Stations of the Cross Parish & People Jacqueline Jaynes R.I.P. (Maureen) Peter & Hazel Huxtable R.I.P. (Dennis)



**Readers for this week:** 7th/8th March *Second Sunday of Lent*

Saturday Evening: Patrick McAteer, Ceri McAteer

Sunday Morning: Babs Hunt, Sheila Williams

**Readers for next week:** 14th/15th March *Third Sunday of Lent*

Saturday Evening: Sian Loynes, Lindy Legras

Sunday Morning: Maureen Pitt, Isabel Buckingham



**Church Cleaning**

**Team: 2**

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



Neath: 01.03.20: £518.20 Levy: £81.50

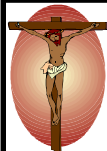
Glynneath: 22.02.20: £70.85



**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, Marie Blanche, 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:**

Douglas Fursland, Bernard Lee, Nora Solari, Danilo Tambini, Edward Doyle 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:

*World in distress*



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:

*Legras Family (Protection)*



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

*John Woolcock 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](http://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!"

**Season of Lent:** During Lent we shall follow the Stations of the Cross on Friday at 7.00 pm at St Joseph's and on Saturday at 3.30 pm at St John Kemble. The Deanery Station Mass with Archbishop GEORGE Stack takes place on Monday 30th March at 7.00 pm at St Therese of Lisieux, Sandfields.

**Roland Webb R.I.P.:** Please remember Roland and his family in your prayers at this time. Roland's funeral service will take place here at St. Joseph's on Monday 27th March at 10.30. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him – may he rest in peace. Amen.*

**Confessional Box:** We are grateful to the carpenters Dan and Richard Irons for the design and construction of the new Confessional in the Lady Chapel, to be completed by the end of the week.

**CAFOD Lent fast collection:** This will be taken up today following Friday's fast day. Please be generous with your offerings and, if possible, Gift Aid them using the envelopes available.

**St Joseph's Parish Guild: will meet on Monday 9th March at 2.00 pm in the Parish Hall.**

**Faith & Fellowship Meetings:** We shall continue to participate in the DOMSEC Deanery Courses. The next course is led by Fr. Jerome Ituah on "Scripture, Spirituality and Evangelisation". I suggest we join the meetings at the Sacred Heart, Morriston 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.

**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, even individual tins and boxes..

**Lenten Pilgrimage to Abercynon:** Friday 27th March 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.

**First Holy Communion Classes:** Classes continue this Sunday at 9.30 am in the Parish Hall before Mass. (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.

**SVP Diary of Events:**

April 16th: Pontarddulais Garden Centre/ lunch

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

June 18th: Abbey-Cwm-Hir coach/entry costs

July 16th Cardiff Boat Ride/ Castle coach/entry costs

**Coronavirus:** Guidance to Catholics from the Bishops' Conference. Please see today's supplement and also [www.cbcew.org.uk/guidance-to-catholics-on-coronavirus](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/guidance-to-catholics-on-coronavirus)

**Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages April-October**

**2020:** From £245 for 7 night stay. See poster for details.

**Lourdes: 1st—8th July:** We are now able to book trains for July so we need confirmation of your booking and a deposit of £50. See Deacon Jim.

**Used Postage Stamps:** Many thanks for the continued donations of these - especially those from overseas and less common British stamps (though all are welcome, provided they have a margin of envelope around them). A particular thank you for the gift of an album of First Day Cover sets from the 1960s. These will all benefit the Helen Keller School for blind and partially-sighted children in Jerusalem.

**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 on Friday from 11.30 to 2.30.



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.