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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 13th September <i>24th Sunday in Ordinary time</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10:30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Sr. Carmel (Spec. Int.) (Yolanda & Nantlais) Denis O'Shea R.I.P. (Brendan O'Grady)
Monday 14th September	<i>NO MASS</i>	
Tuesday 15th September <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	6.30 pm Neath	Fr. Neil (Spec. Int.)
Wednesday 16th September <i>Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian</i>	9.30 Neath 11.00 Glynneath	MICF, R.I.P. Parish of Aberystwyth
Thursday 17th September <i>St. Robert Bellarmine</i>	9.30 Neath	MICF, R..I.P.
Friday 18th September <i>St. Joseph Cupertino</i>	9.30 Neath Followed by Exposition until 10.30	The New Evangelisation
Saturday 19th September		
Sunday 20th September <i>25th Sunday in Ordinary time</i> <i>Home Missions Sunday</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10:30 am Sunday Neath	Geoffrey Bates, R.I.P. (P.M.) Parish & People Terry Davies, R.I.P. (Kathleen & Family)



Confessions

Neath : on request

Glynneath: on request



Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

After Friday Morning Mass.



Readers for this week: 12th/13th September 24th Sunday in Ordinary time

Saturday Evening: Volunteers required, please.

Sunday Morning: Babs Hunt, Alice Williams

Readers for next week: 19th/20th September 25th Sunday in Ordinary time

Saturday Evening: Caoimhe Murphy, Luke Murphy

Sunday Morning: Roger Fluck, Ann Bromage



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



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

Betty Wilson, David Hunt, Maureen O'Grady, Maria Baker, Johanna Dobrzanski 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.



Church Cleaning Team 1

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection

Neath: 06.09: £449.98,
Levy: £85.95

Glynneath: 05.09: £40.10



Sacred Heart Lamp is lit for:
Deceased Family Members (R.N.)



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:
Thanksgiving Emily's A Levels



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:
P.M.H.

CROESO—WELCOME! If you are visiting the parish or you are returning home to be with family and friends, or you have returned to Church after being away for some time—welcome! It's good to have you here.

Exposition: Friday morning after Mass.

Sister Carmel: Congratulations to Sr. Carmel on celebrating her 60th Diamond Jubilee this weekend. We send her our love and prayers and wish our travelling representatives a safe journey.

Sunday Tea & Coffee gathering: Please do join the gathering in the hall each week after 10.30 Mass. Today we will be supporting the work of CAFOD through our Connect2 partnership in Brazil.

Second collection next weekend (20th) for Home Missions, when we are invited to pray, celebrate and support the work of evangelization in England and Wales. This year's theme is "PROCLAIM God's Mercy".

"Our Lady, Star of the New Evangelisation, Pray for us."

St. Joseph's Parish Guild: The Guild will hold a Cheese & Wine evening in the hall on Monday 14th September. Tickets - £2.50 - are now on sale. Proceeds to church funds.

CAFOD supporters' meeting: All are welcome to this event at St. David's Priory Church, Swansea between 10.00 and 1.00 next Saturday 19th September, where you can hear how parishes in Wales are making a real difference to the work of CAFOD in Niger.

Prayer Group: The Parish Prayer Group will next meet on Tuesday 22nd September at 7.30 in the Hall. All are welcome.

Wedding Bells!: Please remember in your prayers Claire Jones and Huw Davies who will marry here in St. Joseph's on Saturday 3rd October at 2.00pm.

Catholic Bible School: MAKING SENSE OF THE GOSPEL PARABLES

What is a parable? How are they used in the Bible? How do

we apply them to our daily lives? David Beresford, Director of the Catholic Bible School, will be helping us to explore the four Gospels and their use of stories. Held at St David's Church, St David's Place, Swansea, SA1 3NG on Saturday 26th September from 10.00am to 3.30pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Suggested donation £10.00. For more information see www.catholic-bible-school.org/events or email catholicbibleschooluk@gmail.com

Harvest Masses

(i) At St. John Kemble on Saturday 10th October followed by Harvest Buffet.

(ii) At St. Joseph's on Sunday 11th October, led by pupils of the School and followed by a Harvest Buffet co-ordinated by the SVP. Donations of food to both buffets will be gratefully received. At the Offertory, there will be an opportunity to bring forward **tinned or dried (long life) food** for the Foodbank. Thank you.

Seminarian: Bishop Tom has accepted Robert Davies (St. Joseph's Parish, Port Talbot) for priestly formation in Menevia. He began his studies at Valladolid on Friday. Please keep Robert in your prayers.

St Joseph's Finances: Between July and August our funds in the parish Bank Account rose from £2415.84 to £3261.72 which included two generous, "anonymous" gifts of £300 and £250 for which we are very grateful. Taking into account (from September) the steep increase in our heating bills for the winter period we are only just covering our monthly expenses with nothing to spare for repairs and refurbishment. Many thanks for all donations and for the weekly collections. Please keep our serious financial situation in your prayers.

Open Doors at Neath Abbey: Historian Dr. Bill Zajac will give three walking tours of Neath Abbey today - Sunday 13th - at 10.00, 12.30 and 3.00. The event, which is organized by Cadw, is free to all.

School News

Our first few days of the new school year have been packed with activities as we welcomed back staff and pupils after the summer. All the children have settled well into their new classes. We welcome all new pupils and their families. May they have many happy times with us.

We are pleased to announce for this academic year our Head boy, Cabhan Commerford -Davies and Head Girl, Emilia Evans, Deputy Head Boy, Morgan Grey and Deputy Head Girl, Jessica Lloyd.

We have been very proud to hear about the wonderful achievements of our past pupils in this year's GCSE, AS and A Level examinations. We wish them many congratulations and the best of luck in their future career paths.

Finally, as we look forward to the coming school year we would like to thank the members of our Parish for your continued support and hope to share in the coming events of this year with you all.

Diary Dates - Autumn Term 2015

September

Friday 25th MacMillan Coffee Morning **October** Sunday 11th 10.30am - Harvest Mass **HALF TERM Mon. 26th - Fri. 30th**
(Dates of other events to follow).

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.