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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 27th September <i>26th Sunday in Ordinary time</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10:30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Stephen Huggett (Spec. Int.) (L.M.) S.V.P. Members (Spec. Int.)
Monday 28th September	<i>NO MASS</i>	
Tuesday 29th September <i>Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels</i>	6.30 pm Neath	Peter Healey (Spec. Int)
Wednesday 30th September <i>Saint Jerome</i>	9.30 Neath 11.00 Glynneath	New Evangelisation Synod in Rome
Thursday 1st October <i>Saint Therese of the Child Jesus</i>	9.30 Neath	Synod in Rome
Friday 2nd October <i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i> <i>CAFOD Fast Day</i>	9.30 Neath Followed by Exposition until 10.30	Sr. Josephine Brady R.I.P.
Saturday 3rd October	9.30 Neath 2.00 pm Neath	Mass of Our Lady Claire & Huw (Spec. Int) WEDDING of Claire Jones & Huw Davies
Sunday 4th October <i>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4:00 pm Saturday Glynneath 6:00 pm Saturday Neath 10:30 am Sunday Neath	Parish & People Fr. Terence Boyle R.I.P. (SPCD) Synod in Rome



Confessions

Neath : on request

Glynneath: on request



Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

After Friday Morning Mass.



Readers for this week: 26th/27th September 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Evening: Nora Reynolds, Laurence MacPherson Jones.

Sunday Morning: Cath Sheehan, Isabelle Buckingham

Readers for next week: 3rd/4th October 27th Sunday in Ordinary time

Saturday Evening: Gill Boland, Sue Koziel

Sunday Morning: Sheila Williams, Peter Buckingham



Church Cleaning

Team 1

Thank you for your generosity in the last offertory collection

Neath: 20.09: £506.50,

Levy: 106.10

Home Missions: £125.22

Glynneath: 20.09: £55.10



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:

Alfred Stanley, Patricia Evans,
Alice McCabe, Laurence O'Neill, Carole Callaghan,
Bernard McCormack 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:

P.M.H.



Our Lady's Lamp is lit for:

Baby Josie Protheroe.



St. Joseph's Lamp is lit for:

*M.P.
Special Intention*

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.

Rosary in October: As in May we shall say a Decade of the Rosary together before the weekday Masses during October. Please make every effort to be in church 15 minutes before the beginning of Mass to say the Rosary together.

Sunday Tea & Coffee gathering: Please do join the gathering in the hall each week after 10.30 Mass.

Second collection: is our annual collection for our own Parish S.V.P. Group.

Cafod: Next Friday is CAFOD Fast Day. The main focus of this year's HFD is Niger, the world's poorest country with 50 C temperatures and increasingly unreliable rains and harvests. The people's efforts to be self-sufficient in these extremely tough conditions have become harder to achieve. Please look carefully at your Fast Day envelope to see how you can take part in this life-changing opportunity. We will take a collection for CAFOD at our Harvest Masses on Sat. 10th Oct. at Glynneath and Sun. 11th Oct in Neath. The School will now be joining us a week later to celebrate World Mission Sunday, 18th Oct.

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.

Harvest Masses

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

(ii) At St. Joseph's on Sunday 11th October 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/Sisters. Thank you.

Ave Maria: A day of prayer and reflection on the mysteries of our redemption. 10th October at Belmont Abbey. See notice board for further details.

Altar Cloths: Many thanks for the donations towards the cost (£400) of five new altar cloths at Glynneath.

First Holy Communion Classes: We would like to hold classes for those hoping to make their First Holy Communion (in June 2016) before the 10.30 Sunday Mass. If you are able to help prepare the children for First Holy Communion (and First Confession) from 9.30 each Sunday morning, please have a word with Fr. Neil or Deacon Jim. Your help would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Foodbank: Many thanks for your continued support: The team are running low on the following items: long life milk, tinned fruit, tinned meat (hot and cold), tuna, tinned rice pudding, cup of soup, small evaporated milk, squash, pasta sauce, tinned carrots, sponge puddings & pot noodles.

Refugees: The message below has been received from Bishop Tom: "As a matter of urgency, the Bishops' Conference is asking each Diocese to nominate a LOCAL CONTACT PERSON to co-ordinate the Catholic Church's local response for supporting Middle East refugees. If anyone among the laity in the Diocese feels able to take on this role of CO-ORDINATOR / LOCAL CONTACT PERSON, please contact the Bishop's office as soon as possible – 01792-644017." Thank you. – Bishop Tom

In Neath our MP, Christina Rees, has made her office 39, Windsor Road a collecting point for items for those seeking refuge in Britain and across Europe. The full list of items is on the notice board but includes clothing, shelter, sustenance and hygiene items.

Briton Ferry Parish: In addition to his appointment as Parish Priest at Sandfields, Fr. Paul Brophy will be assuming responsibility for the Parish of Our Lady of the Assumption in Briton Ferry.

Diocesan Spirituality Day: at St Iltyd's, Swansea on Saturday 17th October. Please see poster for further details or contact Sr. Nora Ryan on 07723351700.

School News

The newly commissioned School and Eco Councils have met. Our School Councillors are Maisy, Joshua, Sophie, Leona, Cian, Taylor, Kyla, Dylan, Ben, Stella, Sophia, Lauren and Morgan. Our Eco Councillors, Ellie, Carys, Niamh, Bethany, Morgan, Jersie, Cheniece, Mackenzie, Kayla, Ioan and Emilia They spent time explaining what they would like to achieve in their role. Now they can't wait for the "new business" to commence at their next meeting!! PC Norris has made his first visit of the year to talk about "People who help us" and "Who, What, Where". Years 1 and 2 were delighted when "Tarian" his pet dragon made an appearance. Our school nurse, Bernie also came in to teach our Reception children how to wash their hands properly.

Website: <http://www.npted.org/schools/primary/stjosephsprimary>
Please use our school website for any information you may need.

October

Month of the Holy Rosary

Friday 2nd 9am Year 5 Class Assembly, **Tuesday 13th** Sponsored Walk at The Gnoll KS2, **Friday 16th** Go Green Day
Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th Parents Evenings
Thursday 22nd Harvest Disco **Infants 5—6 pm Juniors 6—7 pm**
Friday 23rd **INSET DAY**

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.