Catholic Parish of St Joseph's, Port Talbot & St Philip Evans, Cwmavon
A parish of the Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia - Charity Number 1177272



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11th October- 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Notices

Welcome!

A warm welcome to our children, their parents/guardians and their teachers this morning as we gather for our first Family Mass of the new academic year. If you are able, please do join us in the hall for light refreshments after Mass.

October - Month of the Holy Rosary

October is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a beautiful prayer in which we walk with Mary through the life of Jesus, reflecting on His love, His suffering and His glory. As we repeat the prayers, we draw closer to Christ through the loving guidance of His Mother. So in this month let us make a special effort to spend a bit of time with our Blessed Mother. The Rosary is prayed in Church on Saturday mornings.

Poppies

Hand-made poppies will be available for sale from the 18th October for a minimum donation of £1. Funds raised will be split between the parish and the British Legion.

November - Month of the Holy Souls

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that that souls who die in God's grace undergo purification before entering the fullness of Heaven, and November is traditionally dedicated to praying for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, asking God to grant them eternal rest and hasten their entrance into His heavenly kingdom. From next week there will be November Dead Lists and envelopes available for you to add your names to alongside a customary donation, if you are able, for the Masses which will be offered over the month.

Historic Church Planning Application

An application to the Historic Churches Committee for the provision of handrails to the front entrance of St Joseph's was made on the 16th September. The drawings can be found on the noticeboards in the porch and the details of the application itself can be found attached to the fence and doors of the church. Please pray for the success of this endeavour to make our Church more safe and accessible.

The Legion of Mary

Following the summer break, The Legion of Mary has returned to its usual time of Wednesdays at 6pm in St Joseph's Hall. All most welcome. If you want to know more speak to a priest or get in touch with John Kennedy on 07789934702 or itsjfk@yahoo.co.uk.

Website and Social Media

If anyone is interested in helping us maintain our website and develop a social media presence, please speak to Fr Elliot with any ideas.

Deanery Pastoral Council

Next Saturday, 17th October. St Joseph's will be hosting the Diocesan Pastoral Council, a meeting of Parish Representatives from across the diocese. This will mean that Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 10.30am.

Liturgies this Week

(All Liturgies at St Joseph's unless otherwise stated)

Saturday 10th October	
5:00pm *(Cwmavon)*	Vigil Mass: McCarthy Family
6:00pm *(St Joseph's)*	Vigil Mass: Mary Winter/ Patricia Dobler
Sunday 11th October	**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30am	Holy Mass: People of the Parish
10:00am	Holy Mass: Mary Christina James
Monday 12th October	
	No Mass today
Tuesday 13th October	
10:00am	Holy Mass: Andrew Davies
Wednesday 14th October	
9:30am	Holy Mass: Brigid McDonaugh RIP
Thursday 15th October	**St Theresa of Avila, Virgin & Doctor**
10:00am	Holy Mass: Thanksgiving
Friday 16th October	
10:00am	Holy Mass: Alison Morgan Foley
Saturday 17th October	**St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr**
11:00-12:00pm *(St Joseph's)*	Confession with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
4:45pm - 5:00pm (*Cwmavon)*	Confessions
5:00pm *(Cwmavon)*	Vigil Mass: People of the Parish
6:00pm *(St Joseph's)*	Vigil Mass: James Monahan
Sunday 18th October	**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:30am	Holy Mass: Helen Butler Wellbeing
10:00am	Holy Mass: Michael Justin Schmidt

Regular Events in the Hall

Monday: 10am - Craft Group
Wednesdays: 6pm: The Legion of Mary
Wednesdays & Sundays: Coffee Morning following the morning Mass.