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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18th October- 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Notices

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.

Retreat Day with The Legion of Mary

On Saturday 31st October, the Legion of Mary will be leading a retreat day at St Joseph's Co-Cathedral, Convent Street, Swansea. For more details see the posters in the porch. If you want to know more about the Legion of Mary, which meets on Wednesdays at 6pm, 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.

Abba Extravanagnza

On 29th October beginning at 6.30pm, we be holding an ABBA Extravganza in the Church Hall. Drinks, light refreshments, dancing and an opportunity for karaoke and a singalong. 70s dress encourage. Bring your own bottle. £5 on the door for church funds.

Parish Film Night - 4th November

On the 4th November, there will be a screening of "Toy Story 5" in St Joseph's Hall. £2 entry with drinks and popcorn available for purchase. All most welcome.

Diocesan Pastoral Advisory Council Meeting

On Saturday, it was a great pleasure for us to welcome delegates from across the diocese to discuss and share what's happening in their parishes. A huge thank you to all who helped set up and clean the hall for the event. The welcome was greatly appreciated.

First Holy Communion Preparation

Enquiry Forms are now available for those with children who wish to make their First Holy Communion next summer. To register, please fill to form in and return it to a priest by the **1st November.** Classes will take place at St Joseph's Infant School on Mondays from 3.30-4.15pm beginning Monday 9th November. There will be a meeting for parents the afternoon of Wednesday 4th November - time TBC.

Advanced Warning - Mass Time Changes

Due to other commitments, Mass on Friday 23rd October will be at 9am and on Wednesday 28th October it will be at 8am. Thank you for your understanding.

Liturgies this Week

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

Saturday 17th October

5:00pm *(Cwmavon)*	Vigil Mass: Wellebeing of the Holy Father
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

Monday 19th October

	No Mass today

Tuesday 20th October

10:00am	Holy Mass: Margaret/Meg Ray RIP

Wednesday 21st October

9:30am	Holy Mass: People of the Parish

Thursday 22nd October — **St John Paul II, Pope**

10:00am	Holy Mass: Mary Winters

Friday 23rd October

9:00am	Holy Mass: Geraldine Foley

Saturday 24th October

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: Irene Cousins
6:00pm *(St Joseph's)*	Vigil Mass: Phyllis & Jack Donovan

Sunday 25th October — **30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am	Holy Mass: People of the Parish
10:00am	Holy Mass: Cora Ryan

Regular Events in the Hall

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