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3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY) Year B – 16th/17th December 2023

Sat 16th Dec 5.30pm @ CQ	3rd Sunday of Advent Year B	People of the Parish
Sun 17th Dec 9.30am @ QF	" " " " "	Rev Thomas Varley RIP
Sun 17th Dec 11.00am @ CQ	" " " " "	David Marshall RIP
Tue 19th Dec 9.30 am @ QF	NO SERVICE	
Wed 20th Dec 1.30 pm @ CQ	REQUIEM MASS FOR DAVID MARSHALL	
Thu 21st Dec 9.30 am @ QF	EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Fri 22nd Dec 10.00 am @ CQ	EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Sat 23rd Dec 5.30 pm @ CQ	4th Sunday of Advent Year B	Robert & Hannah Cartwright RIP FM
Sun 24th Dec 9.30 am @ QF	" " " " "	People of the Parish
Sun 24th Dec 11.00 am @ CQ	" " " " "	Rose Mc Donagh's intentions
Sun 24th Dec 5.30 pm @ CQ	Christmas Eve Children's Mass	Allen Family intentions
Mon 25th Dec 9.30 am @ QF	Christmas Day Mass	Helen & Joseph Owens RIP
Mon 25th Dec 11.00 am @ CQ	Christmas Day Mass	Raymond Fulton intentions
Confessions	Connah's Quay: Saturday, 5pm	Queensferry: Sun, before 9.30am Mass

CANON JOE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR KIND MESSAGES & CARDS.

DAVID MARSHALL – David's funeral will take place next Wednesday 20th December at 1.30 pm at Connah's Quay Church followed by a service at Northop Crematorium at 3.00 pm

FLOWERS - There will be a retiring collection after all masses today for donations towards the Christmas Flowers.

The funeral of Anne Thomas's husband Chris will take place in Connah's Quay Church on 4th January 2024 at 2.30 pm

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY This Sunday the children will put on a play during the Connah's Quay Sunday 11.00 am Mass.

CAROL SINGING AT DEESIDE HOSPITAL. We are invited to join the members of Rivertown Church carol singing at Deeside Hospital at 2pm this Sunday 17th December. There will be a warm welcome for anyone joining them. If you would like to do so, please e-mail rivertownrev.org.uk.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: Christmas cards are on sale at back of both churches. In Connah's Quay Church the boxed cards are now reduced to £3.00 & the diaries to £2.50.

HOMEMADE ROSARIES We now have a new batch of homemade rosaries at £10.00 each (including pouch) mainly in blue. These can be found in the sacristy of both churches.

CLARION The diocese produces a monthly newsletter called the 'Clarion'. Past copies can be found on the diocesan website <https://www.rcdwxm.org.uk/>. Scroll down the home page until you see the heading 'Wreccsam Clarion'. Click into this & you will find the past editions. Also, on this page you can scroll down & enter your 'e' mail address & then you will automatically be sent a copy of each monthly edition when it is sent out usually at the beginning of each month.

READERS ANNUAL DAY OF RECOLLECTION – To be held at Holywell Convent on 10th & 13th January (1 date to be chosen). Please contact Jack Cawley for further details

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: It will be expected that parents bring their child to Mass regularly. If parents are not willing to undertake this obligation each week, please have a word with Canon Joe upon his return.

COMMUNION PASSPORTS are available in the sacristy of both Churches for children not attending Venerable Edward Morgan School. All children must attend mass each week. Passports have to be signed each weekend by the serving priest or his representative. Instruction will commence in January 2024 & will be announced in the bulletin.

FOOD BANK: The Food Bank is once again asking for donations. You can leave your donations at the back of Church. Please do not leave perishable or out-of-date food, this will only have to be disposed of, so dry foods, tins etc. Thank you.

SAFEGUARDING: The Safeguarding Reps for Churches are Mrs Anne Thomas for Blessed Sacrament Church, and Mrs Michelle Shone for Blessed Trinity Church.

COLLECTION AMOUNTS for 9th/10th December 2023

Connah's Quay: Gift Aid £196.50 Loose plate £140.45 Additional amount for Fair £71.20 (new fair total £1918.08)

Queensferry: Gift Aid £ 65.70 Loose plate £67.20

Thank you one and all for your generosity in the recent parish collections.

ITEMS FOR THE BULLETIN: If want an item included in the bulletin, please allow at least 7 days' notice. Thank you.