PARISH OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & BLESSED TRINITY www.connahsquaycatholicchurch.org.uk www.fb.me/deesidecatholic **Canon Joe Stewart** Tel. 01244 830358 • Mobile 07550 079995 • Email: priestcquay@rcdwxm.org.uk Wrexham Diocese Charity Number 700426 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT Year B – 24th & 25th FEBRUARY 2024 2nd Sunday of Lent Year B 24th Feb 5.30 pm @ CQ **People of the Parish** Sat n ... Sun 25th Feb 9.30 am @ QF Antoniette Maxfield RIP ... Sun 25th Feb 11.00 am @ CQ **David Marshall RIP** Tue 27th Feb 9.30 am @ QF **NO SERVICE** Wed 28th Feb 10.00 am @ CQ EUCHARISTIC SERVICE Thu 29th Feb 9.15 am @ QF 9.30 am EUCHARISTIC SERVICE STATIONS OF THE CROSS Thu 29th Feb 7.00 pm @ CQ STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fri 1st Mar 10.00 am @ CQ EUCHARISTIC SERVICE Sat 2nd Mar 5.30 pm @ CQ **3rd SUNDAY OF LENT Year B Brian McDonagh RIP** 3rd Mar 9.30 am @ QF **People of the Parish** Sun Sun 3rd Mar 11.00 am @ CQ Chris Thomas RIP Confessions Connah's Quay: Saturday, 5pm Queensferry: Sun, before 9.30am Mass

Canon Joe has been told that he can now start to resume his duties in the parish. He will be on a phased return to work starting in 2 weeks. Hopefully he will be back to full duties by Easter.

We would like to say a big thank you to one of our parishioners who has kindly made a donation of £3200.00 to parish funds. Thank you so very much.

APF RED MISSION BOXES: Please bring in your Red APF boxes in for counting to either Connah's Quay or Queensferry Church. If anyone would like a red box to collect your loose change in, then please let us know. They are available in both churches. Please bring them in by today Sunday 25th February. We would like to say a big THANK YOU to Jennifer Lyons for organising this collection in C/Q over the last few years, but she has decided to relinquished her position. John Baker has kindly offered to take over as organiser.

PRESENTATION OF BENEMERENTI MEDAL – Congratulations to Anne Thomas upon receiving her medal & certificate last weekend.

LENTEN FAMILY FAST - The collection for this will take place this weekend in both churches.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – This year the local World Day of Prayer service will be held next Friday 1st March at 2.00 pm in St. Bartholomew's Church, Old Sealand Road, Sealand CH5 2LQ. The service has been prepared by the Christian Women of Palestine. Everyone is welcome. Turn left for Saughall at the traffic lights on Sealand Road. The Church is just around the corner.

CARDS - St Patrick & Mother's Day cards are now available in Connah's Quay Church. Easter cards are now available in Queensferry. Easter cards for Connah's Quay are arriving early next week.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – During Lent, Stations of the Cross will take place each Thursday at 9.15 am in Queensferry Church & also at 7.00 pm at Connah's Quay Church.

C.T.S. BOOKLETS - There are a number of these religious booklets available in C/Q church. They are free to a good home.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION DAY – "Marriage Care" is offering a 'Preparing Together' course for those preparing to get married in the Catholic Church this year. The course will take place at Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church, Buckley CH7 2BF on Saturday 16th March 2024. More details in the February edition of the Clarion page 8.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: All children must attend mass each week. Passports must be signed each weekend by the serving priest or his representative. Instruction for the children NOT attending VEM will commence as follows – all on Thursdays in CQ Church 5pm to 6pm - March 7th & 21st April 11th & 25th May 2nd & 23rd June 6th & 20th

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 17th & 18th February 2024

Connah's Quay:Gift Aid £187.10Loose plate £168.47Queensferry:Gift Aid £66.20Loose plate £118.05Payments received via the bank for January 2024 are £607.00.Conse plate £108.47Conse plate £118.05

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.