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**3rd Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday (C) – 11th/12th December 2021**

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**Sat 11th Dec 5.30pm @ CQ 3rd Sunday of Advent Theresa Channell & Frances Fleming RIP** (Stewards – K Morris & TBA)

**Sun 12th Dec 9.30am @ QF “ “ “ “ Rachel Butler** (Stewards – D & C Fellows, P & C Field)

**Sun 12th Dec 11am @ CQ “ “ “ “ People of the Parish** (Stewards – M Batt, R Martin)

Tues 14th Dec 9.30am @ QF St John of the Cross Donor’s Intention (Stewards – D & C Fellows)

Wed 15th Dec 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Rosemarie Bowden RIP (Stewards – L Voas, C Murdoch)

Thu 16th Dec 9.30am @ QF Liturgy of the Day Donor’s Intention (Stewards – P & C Field)

Fri 17th Dec 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Jim Cawley RIP (Stewards – P Thornton, K Morris)

**Sat 18th  Dec 5.30pm @ CQ 4th Sunday of Advent Kate & Patrick Jennings RIP** (Stewards – J Baker, K Morris)

**Sun 19th  Dec 9.30am @ QF “ “ “ “ People of the Parish** (Stewards – D & C Fellows, P & C Field)

**Sun 19th  Dec 11am @ CQ “ “ “ “ Jackie Philips RIP**  (Stewards – M Batt, M Catherwood)

**Confessions** Sat 5pm Connah’s Quay Sun before Mass Queensferry

**Rotas at Connah’s Quay**

**Readers:**  11th/12th December: 5.30pm – W Griffiths 11.00am – J Batt

 18th/19th December: 5.30pm – B Gavin 11.00am – Griffiths Family

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You can follow live streaming of Mass & other services from Bishop Peter via the Diocesan Facebook page - [**https://www.facebook.com/wrexhamdiocese/**](https://www.facebook.com/wrexhamdiocese/) There are also links to other Churches in the Diocese who are streaming Masses.

**Please Pray For**:-

* The repose of the soul of Mary Kelly, who died this week, and her family. Her Requiem Mass will be on Tues 21st Dec at 11.45 at CQ, followed by crem at 1pm
* The repose of the soul of Alan Tyrrell, of CQ, who died on 3rd Dec. His funeral service will be on Dec 16th at 11am in CQ
* Fr Alex Rebello, PP for Barmouth, who has had a stroke
* Beth Copp and her premature baby Grace
* Canon’s sister Bernadette Lang, who is awaiting further consultations
* All the sick of the Parish

**First Confession and First Communion 2021-22** – registration is now **CLOSED**.

Next class is on Tuesday 11th January 2022 at 6.30pm at Blessed Sacrament Church, Connah’s Quay.

First Confession will be on 19th March 2022 at 10am and First Communion on 19th June 2022 at 11am.

**COVID & MASS** – We still need to wear masks in Church unless you are exempt, and we will continue to have stewards asking people to maintain social distancing and sanitise the Church after each Mass. For safety Communion will continue to be given at the end of Mass.

**TODAY is Bambinelli Sunday** - Canon will bless your Baby Jesus figures from your cribs at Mass today.

**The Synod on Synodality 2021-2023: Diocesan Consultation -** There will be an area meeting in the parish centre of Immaculate Conception Church, Flint, at 7.00pm on Friday 7th January 2022, for all parishioners who are interested in participating in the Diocesan Consultation, in preparation for the Synod of Bishops in 2023, called by Pope Francis

**STAMPS**  – At this time of year you may receive cards with stamps on them, could you please cut them off with a 1cm border and pop them in the box at the back of CQ Church – they will be used to help fundraise for the RNIB. Thanks for this & other recycling.

**Christmas Fund Raiser** – This weekend onwards we will be selling raffle tickets at all Masses. Prize donations would be gratefully received. This is an especially important fundraiser as we have been unable to have any of our usual events over the last 2 years.

**Parish Christmas Cards** – if you know of anyone in a Nursing Home, unable to attend Mass presently, or isolating, who would appreciate a card from the Parish letting them know that they are still in our thoughts and prayers, please let us know their name and address – although due to GDPR you must first ask their permission to pass these on to the Parish

**Christmas Cards** will be available from the back of both Churches, including packs sold in aid of the SVP at QF Church.   There are also some Christmas gifts at CQ.  Please ensure you sanitize your hands before touching the items & also keep socially distanced.

**Collections for Church Funds**: Total collections :- 4th/5th Dec CQ £108.73, Gift Aid £140.00, QF £134.80, Gift Aid £46.00.

November Collections via Standing Order £417.00. Thanks for an anonymous donation to the Catholic Church in CQ of £1000

You may wish to set up a Standing Order to give your donations regularly – please contact Canon Joe for bank details.

**Please consider giving your offertory collection in a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax (a higher rate tax payer can obtain a further 20% tax relief)**.

**Items for the bulletin**: to Ann Payton by Weds evening please, tel 01244 821010 or e-mail ann.dragonden@btinternet.com