***PARISH OF BLESSED SACRAMENT & BLESSED TRINITY* (www.connahsquaycatholicchurch.org.uk)**

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 **5th Sunday of Lent (A) 1st & 2nd April 2017**

**Sat 1st April 5.30pm @ CQ Holy Souls**

**Sat 1st April 7.00pm @ CQ Polish Mass**

**Sun 2nd April 9.30am @ QF People of the Parish**

**Sun 2nd April 11.00am @ CQ Mary Louisa Mostyn RIP**

Tue 4th – 9.30am @ QF Liturgy of the Day George De Lisle RIP

Wed 5th – 9.45am @ CQ **Novena to Our Lady**

 “ “ - 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Margaret Brown RIP

Thu 6th – 9.30am @ QF Liturgy of the Day Kevin Vaughan from Flint (ill)

Fri 7th – 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Onofrio Palumbo RIP

Sat 8th – 5.30pm @ CQ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Jackie Bilton RIP

 “ “ - 7.00pm @ CQ Polish Mass

Sun 9th – 9.30am @ QF People of the Parish

 “ “ - 11.00am @ CQ Mary Kelly & Tom Marshall with thanks from the SVP

Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word Rota** – Apr 2nd – Mrs Lambert & Mrs Burns / Apr 9th – Mrs Golembiewska & Miss Murdoch

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** – w/c Apr 2nd – Marilyn & Angela / w/c Apr 9th – Lia & Joyce

**Stations of the Cross**: Queensferry on Thursdays before Mass and Connah’s Quay on Friday evenings at 7pm throughout Lent.

**Penitential Service**: Monday 10th April, 7.00pm at CQ, this will in both English & Polish.

**Lent Studies**: The Manse, Queensway, Shotton - 7.30pm Thursday 6th April.

**First Confession & First Holy Communion**: First Confession is on Saturday 10th June @ 10am, First Communion practise on Saturday 24th June @ 10am and First Communion is Sunday 25th June @ 11am.

**Retiring Collection**: next weekend (8th/9th April) will be for the SVP, this is the annual collection that should have taken place last December and all money will go toward assisting people in the local community and their third world project.

**Walk of Witness**: Good Friday April 14th at 11.00am, from the Catholic Church in Connah’s Quay to St Ethelwold’s in Shotton. All welcome. Come all or part of the way. Refreshments afterwards.

**Happy Choir**: if you would like to join this choir, which promotes diversity, there are rehearsals every other Friday from 2-4pm at Libby’s Café, which is part of the CAB building on Cable Street/Tuscan Way near the cricket club and scout hut, the cost is £1.50 per session. If you are interested and would like more information, please ring 01244 846708.

**Repository**: Easter cards are now available on the stand in the porch.  The money for any cards that are bought should be put in the ‘repository’ slot which is on the outside wall.

**Next SVP Meeting**: is on Tuesday 11th April. The local SVP group meet at Connah's Quay church in the presbytery every fortnight on Tuesdays at 7pm - new members always welcome. Following the retirement of Mary Kelly & Tom Marshall, the SVP have asked for a Mass in their honour to thank them for their hard work, this will be at 11am on Sunday 9th April.

**Collection totals**: Last weekend was £263.00 with a further £346.50 from the Gift Aid envelopes. Gift Aid donations given this week mean our parish can claim back £144.43 from tax paid. Please consider giving your offertory collection in a Gift Aid envelope if you

pay tax. The retiring collection last weekend for the Parish Maintenance Fund was £357.35 of which £231.20 was Gift Aided.

The new Gift Aid envelopes start next weekend and if anyone in the scheme has changed their address since joining, please let us know, as it is vitally important that we have your correct address when claiming for the tax refund.

**Appeal**; would parishioners in the Gift Aid scheme PLEASE use your white envelope for the monthly Parish Maintenance Fund collections. If your donation is not in the envelope we are unable to claim back the tax refund.

**Items for the bulletin**: to Carmel Smith, tel 01244 830985 or e-mail carmel\_smith@sky.com - by Weds evening please.

**Holy Week Mass Times: Maundy Thursday – 7.00pm @ CQ. Good Friday – 3.00pm @ CQ.**

**Holy Saturday Vigil – 7.00pm @ CQ. Easter Sunday – 9.30am @ QF & 11.00am @ CQ.**

**There will also be a Polish Mass on Easter Sunday – 9.30am @ CQ**