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

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 **23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (A) 9th & 10th September 2017**

**Sat 9th September 5.30pm @ CQ Bill Taylor RIP**

**Sat 9th September 7.00pm @ CQ Polish Mass**

**Sun 10th September 9.30am @ QF Pasquale Ferrara RIP**

**Sun 10th September 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish**

Tue 12th – 9.30am @ QF Liturgy of the Day Organ Donors

Wed 13th – 9.45am @ CQ **Novena to Our Lady**

 “ “ - 10.00am @ CQ St John Chrysostom Kevin Vaughan (Flint) RIP

Thu 14th – 9.30am @ QF The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Maureen Metcalfe RIP

Fri 15th – 10.00am @ CQ Our Lady of Sorrows Olive & Vince Bettridge RIP

Sat 16th – 5.30pm @ CQ 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time Donor’s Intention

Sun 17th – 9.30am @ QF Donor’s Intention

 “ “ - 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish

Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word Rota** – 10th September – Mrs Voas & Mrs Lambert / 17th September – Mrs Doyle & Miss Doyle

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** – w/c 10th September - Sharon & Jeannette / w/c 17th September - Marilyn & Angela

**Retiring collection**: this weekend (9th/10th September) is the annual diocesan collection for the Catholic Education Service. There will also be a retiring collection next weekend (16th/17th September) which is the annual collection in all dioceses for Home Mission projects.

**First Confession/Communion**: helpers are needed for preparing the children for their First Confession & Communion. DBS Clearance is needed and this can be arranged with Anne Thomas. If you would like to help please speak to Canon Joe.

**Churches Together**: Cytun Meeting, 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th September at Rivertown Church, Shotton. The programme for the next year will be set out at this meeting. If you would like to contribute suggestions/ideas for more ways for us to work together please come along and join us. You can be assured of a warm welcome.

**Date for your diary**: our Christmas Fayre this year will be held on 25th November. There will be a meeting later this month and more news will follow that. Please make a note of the date and try your best to help or support this event.

**Salvation Army Ladies Rally**: at 2pm on Monday 9th October. To be led by the newly appointed Officers, Captains Jenny and Stuart McPhee. The members of Connah's Quay Home League invite ladies from our churches to join them for an enjoyable afternoon together. A light buffet will follow the Rally so to help with their catering they would appreciate notification if you plan to attend. Please phone 01244 830496 or e-mail jenny.mcphee@salvationarmy.org.uk. Gentlemen will not be turned away.

**Roadworks**: for everybody attending Mass at Connah’s Quay please remember there will be road works on the main street and many side streets near the church for the next few months.

**Next SVP Meeting**: is Tuesday 19th September at 7.00pm. The local SVP group meet at Connah's Quay church in the presbytery every fortnight on Tuesdays at 7pm - new members always welcome.

To contact the SVP you can either email svpdeeside@gmail.com or call 07486 001 783.

September is SVP Awareness month and this year’s them is ‘Who cares?’ which demonstrates how the SVP cares for the lonely, the sick, the hungry and those in financial hardship. September 27th is the feast day of St Vincent de Paul and we take the opportunity to inform and inspire parishioners in the hope that some will answer the call to help expand our work. There is a great need throughout our diocese to help the poor, the lonely and the sick and we cannot continue or increase our work without more volunteers.

**Collection totals**: Last weekend was £276.71 with a further £392.35 from the Gift Aid envelopes. Gift Aid donations given this week mean our parish can claim back £98.09 from tax paid.

Please consider giving your offertory collection in a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax. If you are in the Gift Aid scheme and have changed your address since joining, please let us know, as it is vitally important that we have your correct address when claiming for the tax refund.

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