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

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 **4th Sunday of Lent (B) 10th & 11th March 2018 Laetare Sunday**

**Sat 10th March 5.30pm @ CQ Peter Vaughan RIP**

**Sun 11th March 9.30am @ QF Chao Long Lin RIP**

**Sun 11th March 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish**

Tue 13th – 9.30am @ QFWeekday of Lent Michael Reagan RIP

Wed 14th – 9.45am @ CQ **Novena to Our Lady**

 “ “ - 10.00am @ CQ Weekday of Lent John Vickers RIP

Thu 15th – 9.30am @ QF Weekday of Lent Margaret Jones RIP

Fri 16th – 10.00am @ CQ Weekday of Lent Arthur Sparks RIP (FM)

Sat 17th – 5.30pm @ CQ 5th Sunday of Lent Fr Jack Keegan RIP

Sun 18th – 9.30am @ QF “ People of the Parish

 “ “ - 11.00am @ CQ “ Laurence Kinnair RIP

Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Stations of the Cross during Lent** – Thursdays 9am @ QF & Fridays 7pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word** – 11th Mar – Mrs Golembiewska & Mrs Voas / 18th Mar – Mrs Sullivan & Mrs Burns

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** – w/c 11th March - Marilyn & Angela / w/c 18th March - Lia and Natalie

**First Confession/Communion**: 5-5.45pm at Venerable Edward Morgan School. (Mar 13th) First Confession will be on Saturday 12th May at 10am & First Holy Communion is on Sunday 10th June at 11am.

**Stations of the Cross for children**: is on Friday 23rd March at 7pm and we would like children to take a part in prayers at each Station, so we ask parents to support children and come along - especially the children preparing for First Holy Communion.

**Confirmation**: will be on Thursday October 18th at 7pm. Anybody aged 11-16+ who wishes to be enrolled for this Sacrament please contact Canon Joe ASAP.

**Red Boxes (CQ)**: the amount banked for the last quarter is £478.89. Thanks to everyone who has donated so generously.

**Gift aid envelopes**: for 2018/19 are now available - be sure to pick yours up from the porches. If any parishioners who pay Income Tax would like to join the Gift Aid scheme there are forms in the porch.

**Repository (QF & CQ)**: Mass, Sympathy, Get Well and Birthday cards are on sale, also currently available are St Patrick’s Day and Easter Cards.

**PAC Meeting**: Tuesday 13th March @ 7pm in the Presbytery. Please do your best to attend especially if you have anything you wish to be included. New members are always welcome.

**Lenten Bible Study**: 7.30pm on Thursdays until 22nd March at The Manse, Queensway, Shotton.

**Games Night with Faith Tea**: 6pm on Saturday 24th March at the Salvation Army Hall, £3 per person.

**Good Friday Walk of Witness**: 30th March at 11am from Blessed Sacrament to St. Ethelwold’s Church. You can join or leave the walk at any point along the route,

**Next SVP Meeting**: is Tuesday 13th March 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.

**The SVP annual raffle**: will be taking place in March. Tickets are available from Peter Field (SVP president for our parishes).

**Collections**: The parish collection for 3rd/4th March was £294.41 with a further £370.00 from the Gift Aid envelopes. The Parish Maintenance Fund raised £293.86. **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)**. 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 the tax refund.

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

**Poppy of Honour 2018**

Unfortunately all plans are currently on hold as the supply of the poppies needs to be re-established. Rose will provide new details when they are available.