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

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**Pentecost Sunday (C) 14th/15th May 2016**

**Sat 14th May 5.30pm @ CQ Fr Jim Durkin (Diamond Jubilee)**

**Sun 15th May 9.30am @ QF Peter George Shaw (Deceased Relatives FM)**

**Sun 15th May 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish**

Tue 17th – 9.30am @ QFLiturgy of the Day Eileen Bride RIP

Wed 18th – **11.00am @ QF** **Requiem Mass for Mrs Patricia Cartwright RIP**

Thu 19th – **10.00am @ CQ** **Requiem Mass for Audrey Cecilia Blease RIP**

Fri 20th - 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Margaret Brown RIP

Sat 21st – 5.30pm @ CQ The Most Holy Trinity Rev Deacon Klonski (to be ordained Priest) Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word Rota** – May 15th – Mrs Smith & Mrs Doyle / May 22nd – Mrs Lambert & Mrs Sullivan

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** - w/c May 15th – Dorota, Iza & Joanna / w/c May 22nd – Sharon & Jeanette

The family of the late Margaret Brown wish to thank all friends and fellow parishioners for the most generous donations given following her funeral. A cheque for £682.67 has been sent to CAFOD.

**Retiring Collection**: this weekend is the annual diocesan collection for the Bishop's Fund. There will be a retiring collection next weekend (21st/22nd May) which is the monthly collection for the Parish Maintenance Fund. Parishioners in the Gift Aid scheme please use your white envelopes for this purpose.

**Next SVP Meeting**: is on Tuesday 24th May, 7pm in the Presbytery.

**SVP Mass**: today (15th May), 2.30pm at Holywell, this is the first of the Pilgrimage Masses.

**Universe**: a number of parishioners have been disappointed in recent weeks to find that copies of the "Universe" have run out before they could be bought. If you would like to ensure that a copy is available for you, would you please put your name on the list in the church porch so we can order the correct number required.

**Churches Together on Deeside**: **Christian Aid Week Collection.** With thanks to Canon Joe, envelopes for the Collection will be distributed at Masses this weekend (14th/15th May) for collection next weekend (21st/22nd May). There will also be a store collection, all week, at Charlies in Shotton. Anyone able to give time to help please contact Carol Gilogly - tel: 01244 836319 or e-mail: carolg1942@gmail.com

**Spring/summer garden party/fare:** at the presbytery on Sunday June 12th from 12noon till 3pm - please make this a date for your diary. There will be refreshments, to include hot dogs and cream teas, and stalls selling bric a brac, toys, books & cakes plus a bottle stall & raffle. We need as many volunteers as possible to help set up and man the stalls and we will also need contributions of for all the stalls.

There will be a meeting on **Thursday 19th May at the presbytery at 7 pm.** We need as many as possible to come and discuss the preparations for the day - thank you.

**Food Bank**: your support is still needed, so please continue to donate tinned food or non-perishable items.

**Collection totals:** Last weekend was £235.82 with a further £370.00 from the Gift Aid envelopes.   Gift Aid donations given this week mean our parish can claim back £92.50 from tax already paid. Please consider giving your offertory collection in a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax. Last week's collection for the Catholic Communications Network raised £137.21.

**Gift Aid**: recent changes announced by HMRC state that as from 6th April 2016 any interest gained from a deposit in a bank or building society is free of tax on the first £1,000 and on the first £5,000 of interest from a bond or similar security, this together with the increase in the personal allowance to £11,000 could well mean that some people may no longer be liable to tax. Parishioners in the Gift Aid scheme please check that you will still be tax payers during this year; we cannot claim back tax if none has been paid.

If you give £1 per week you must have paid at least £13 in tax for the year.

If you give £5 per week you must have paid at least £65 in tax for the year.

If you give £10 per week you must have paid at least £130 in tax for the year.

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

**The Pope’s General Intention for May 2016:** That in every country of the world women may be honoured and respected, and that their essential contribution to society may be highly esteemed.

**The Pope’s Missionary Intention for April 2016:** That families, communities and groups may pray the Holy Rosary for evangelisation and peace.