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

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**1st Sunday of Lent (A) 8th/9th March 2014**

**Sat 8th March 5.30pm @ CQ Donor’s Intention**

**Sat 8th March 7.00pm @ CQ Polish Mass**

**Sun 9th March 9.30am @ QF Irene Dale RIP**

**Sun 9th March 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish**

Mon 10th - 9.30am @ QF Liturgy of the day Donor’s Intention

Tue 11th **–9.00am** @ CQ **NB** Liturgy of the day Donor’s Intention

Wed 12th - 9.45am @ CQ **Novena to Our Lady**

Wed 12th – 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the day Des & Rob Feery

Thu 13th – 12noon @ QF Liturgy of the day Donor’s Intention

Fri 14th – 10.00am @ CQ Friday after Ash Wednesday Donor’s Intention

Fri 14th – 7.00pm @ CQ **Stations of the Cross**

Sat 15th - 9.30am @ QF Saturday after Ash Wednesday William Brownley RIP (Brownley Family)

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Confessions - Saturday after 9.30am Mass @ QF & 5.00pm @ CQ

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ**

w/c Mar 9th – Marilyn & Angela

w/c Mar 16th – Moya & Paul

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word Rota**

Mar 9th – Mrs Palmer & Miss Palmer

Mar 16th – Mrs Voas & Mrs Thomas

**Sunday 11am Bidding Prayers Rota**

Mar 9th – Rita / Mar 16th – school

Mar 23rd – Jess / Mar 30th – Clair

**Red Boxes Queensferry: please return your boxes to Michelle Knox for the money to be banked.**

**UCM Appeal: members of the UCM will be appealing for new members at Masses this weekend.**

**Collection: this coming Friday (14th) is CAFOD Lent Fast Day, there will be a collection at all Masses next weekend (15th/16th).**

**This year’s Lenten Alms will be donated to HCPT.**

**Stations of the Cross: will take place every Friday @ 7pm during Lent starting on Friday 14th March.**

**Bishop Peter’s Visit**: Bishop Peter will be co-celebrating Masses on 15th/16th March and will be meeting the members of the Parish Advisory Council and the Finance Committee on Sat 15th at 2pm.

There will be **Exposition on 15th between 10am & 12 noon**, during which there will also be Confessions when we will also be joined by Priests & people of the Deanery.

**Confirmations**: the first meeting for the Confirmandi, parents and/or sponsors takes place on Friday 28th March at 5pm at the Blessed Sacrament Church. The following names have been put forward: Agne Gabriuniate, Olivia and Jack Thorn, Sophie Green, Maddie Thomas, Melissa Primrose, Hannah Knox, Margaret, Catherine and Johnny Purcell and Olivia Rusowicz.  Any other candidates who wish to join the program need to inform either Jack Cawley, Paula Palmer or Canon before that date please.

**Safeguarding Child and vulnerable Adults Protection Representative for Blessed Sacrament Church:** Anne Thomas has been appointed to this role, by Canon Joe, following the resignation of Sue Copp. We thank Sue for all the time and commitment she has given to this role.

For more information regarding safeguarding see notice board.

**Churches Together *Lent Course***: ***"*Parables and Possessions":** first session  on Wednesday 12th March 7-8pm  in St Andrew's Church

 (100 yards from traffic lights at foot of Wepre Drive, op-p. taxi rank). Dates ahead on poster in porch.

**Collection:** Last weekend was £224.06 with a further £474.50 from the Gift Aid envelopes and The Church Maintenance Fund collection totalled £337.00 of which £114.00 was Gift Aided. This will give our parish an extra £147.12 we can claim back from tax paid.  Please consider giving your offertory in a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax. The new Gift Aid Envelopes for the next financial year from 6th April, for those parishioners who are in the scheme, are available in the church porch, and will be for the next three weekends. You will also be able to pick up your special envelopes for the monthly Church Maintenance Fund collections.

**Looking Ahead**:

Sat 22nd Mar – Polish Mass @ 7.00pm

Tues 8th April - Reconciliation Service @ 7.00pm

Fri 18th April – KSC pilgrimage of Stations of the Cross at Pantasaph @ 11am.

Fri 16th May: Race Night for Cafod in The Groves Community Club, Shotton.

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