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

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 **4th Sunday of Lent (C) 5th/6th March 2016** **Laetare Sunday**

**Sat 5th March 5.30pm @ CQ Bill & Tess Taylor**

**Sun 6th March 9.30am @ QF George Peter Shaw**

**Sun 6th March 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish**

Tue 8th – **there is no Mass today**

Wed 9th - **there is no Mass today**

Thu 10th – 9.30am @ QF Weekday, 4th Week in Lent Laurence Kinnair RIP

Fri 11th - 10.00am @ CQ Weekday, 4th Week in Lent Mary Maloney

Sat 12th - 5.30pm @ CQ 5th Sunday of Lent Peter Maloney RIP

 Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word Rota** – Mar 6th – Mrs Sullivan & Mrs Lambert / Mar 13th – Mrs Lambert & Mrs Sullivan

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** - w/c Mar 6th – Dorota, Iza & Joanna / w/c Mar 13th – Sharon & Jeanette

**Retiring Collection**: the February collection for the Parish Maintenance Fund, which had to be put back due to other commitments, will be taken this weekend (5th/6th March).

**Lenten Reconciliation Service**: this will take place on Tuesday 22nd March, 7pm at Blessed Sacrament.

**Fairtrade Fortnight**: We are a Fairtrade parish, which is in a Fairtrade diocese, and Wales is the first Fairtrade country in the world. Fairtrade means a fair and stable price to disadvantaged producers in developing countries, greater respect for the environment, a decent wage and minimum standards for working conditions, extra money to pay for community projects such as schools and health care, and the chance to work as a co-operative with long term trading partnerships to enable planning for the future. If we all try and purchase one Fairtrade product every time we do our weekly shop we would make a tremendous difference and we would have gained by having bought a good product for a fair price. Thank you for your support.

**Stations of the Cross**: during Lent there will be Stations at QF before Mass on Thursdays and on Friday evenings at 7.00pm in CQ. The children’s Stations will take place on Friday 18th March @ 7pm.

**First Holy Communion**: there is a meeting for all parents at Venerable Edward Morgan School on Thurs 17th March at 7pm.

**Sacrament of Confirmation**: Any young people in the Parish, between the ages of 12 & 14, who would like to be confirmed, need to contact Canon Joe as soon as possible.

**Lenten Study**: at St Mark’s Parish Centre on Wednesday 16th March at 7pm & Sunday 6th March at 6pm and at St Ethelwold’s on Wednesdays after the 7.30pm Eucharist Service.

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

**Collection:** Last weekend was £308.27 with a further £352.75 from the Gift Aid envelopes.   Gift Aid donations given this week mean our parish can claim back £88.12 from tax already paid. Please consider giving your offertory collection in a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax.

The amount raised for the CAFOD collection taken two weeks ago was £476.10.

**Would all parishioners in the Gift Aid scheme please be aware that is vitally important we have your correct address. If you have moved house since you joined the scheme or if you have ceased to pay tax please let us know. The new Gift Aid envelopes are now available for collection and start on 10th April.**

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

**The 7 Corporal Works of Mercy**

1. Feed the hungry. 4. Harbour the harbourless 7. Bury the dead.
2. Give drink to the thirsty. 5. Visit the sick.
3. Clothe the naked. 6. Visit the imprisoned.