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

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 **3rd Sunday of Eastertide (C) 9th/10th April 2016**

**Sat 9th April 5.30pm @ CQ Jackie Bilton RIP**

**Sun 10th April 9.30am @ QF George Peter Shaw (FM)**

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

Tue 12th – 9.30am @ QFLiturgy of the Day Peter Brown RIP

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

 “ “ - 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Norah Stapleton RIP

Thu 14th – 9.30am @ QF Liturgy of the Day Belinda Stone’s parents & relatives

Fri 15th – 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Nancy Wall RIP

Sat 16th – 5.30pm @ CQ 4th Sunday of Easter Thomas Allen Jnr RIP

 Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word Rota** – Apr 10th – Mrs Smith & Mrs Burns / Apr 17th – Mrs Burns & Miss Murdoch

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** - w/c Apr 10th – Dorota, Iza & Joanna / w/c Apr 17th – Sharon & Jeanette

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Mary Brown who passed away on Tuesday 5th April. Her funeral will take place at Blessed Sacrament church on Thursday 28th April at 10.00am.

**Retiring Collection**: next weekend (16th/17th April) is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations, the retiring collection will be the annual diocesan collection for the Church Students Fund.

**SVP meeting**: the next meeting will be on Tuesday 12th April in the Presbytery at 7.00pm. New members are always welcome.

**Parish Meeting**: to discuss the plans proposed by the Bishop will be held near the end of April. A date will be decided soon.

**FAMILIAS**, the association of diocesan coordinators of marriage and family ministry, are hosting a ***series of four regional events, this Spring, to raise awareness of domestic abuse and the challenges of responding appropriately***. These are scheduled for Bristol (May 9th), Cardiff (May 10th), London (May 16th) and ***Stockport (June 13th***). Nikki Dhillon-Keane, a counsellor with extensive experience of working with victims of domestic abuse, will guide participants through: understanding the prevalence and types of domestic abuse; considering appropriate responses when someone shows signs of domestic abuse; looking at how we might develop local responses in our own dioceses, parishes, schools, communities, networks and organisations.There will also be an opportunity to learn more about the work of DAWG and other Christian initiatives to address domestic abuse. Each event runs from 10.00/10.30am until 3.00pm and costs £10 for FAMILIAS members, associates and friends, £20 for others. Booking is essential, please see the poster in the porch for details.

**Legion of Mary**: The Acies Ceremony will be held today (10th April) at St Anthony of Padua Church, Saltney 3.00pm. All are invited to this dedication of Our Lady.

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

**Collection totals:** Last weekend was £324.62 with a further £350.00 from the Gift Aid envelopes.   Gift Aid donations given this week mean our parish can claim back £107.10 from tax already paid. There were several further Easter Offerings which amounted to £78.40.   Please consider giving your offertory collection in a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax.

**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.**

**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 April 2016: T**hat all small farmers will receive a just reward for their precious labour.

**The Pope’s Missionary Intention for April 2016:** That Christians in Africa may give witness to love and faith in Jesus Christ amid political & religious conflicts.