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

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**1st Sunday of Lent (C) 9th/10th March 2019**

*Wrexham Diocese Charity Number 700426*

**Sat 9th March 5.30pm @ CQ Lawrence Kinnair RIP**

**Sun 10th March 9.30am @ QF Julian McFarlane (ill)**

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

Tue 12th **No Mass Today as Canon is at the UCM Conference**

Wed 13th  **No Mass Today as Canon is at the UCM Conference**

Thu 14th – 9.30am @ QF Weekday of Lent Arthur Sparks RIP (FM)

Fri 15th – 10.00am @ CQ Weekday of Lent Tess Taylor’s Intention

Sat 16th – 5.30pm @ CQ 2nd Sunday of Lent Jim & Jennifer Lyons’ Intention

Sun 17th – 9.30am @ QF 2nd Sunday of Lent Ottorino Finzi RIP

Sun 17th - 11.00am @ CQ 2nd Sunday of Lent People of the Parish

Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Rotas at Connah’s Quay**

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word:** 10th March – Mrs Golembiewska & Miss Murdoch / 17th March – Mrs Doyle & Mrs Smith

**Church Cleaning:** w/c 10th March – Moya, Paul & Lynda / w/c 17th March – Polish Group

**Greeters:** 9th/10th Mar - 5.30pm = K&M Jones & 11.00am = M Kelly /16th/17th Mar - 5.30pm = K&M Jones & 11.00am = C Murdoch

**Readers:** 9th/10th Mar 5.30pm – W Griffiths & B Gavin & 11.00am – H Jones & J Batt

16th/17th Mar 5.30pm – R Molyneux & P Thomas & 11.00am – B Bowden & R McGoldrick

**Canon Joe would like to thank everyone for the get well cards, gifts & food that were given while he was incapacitated.**

**First Holy Communion**: the next session is on Tuesday 12th March from 4.15-5.00pm at Venerable Edward Morgan School.

**Lenten Family Fast Day**: is on Friday 15TH March. The envelopes are available this weekend and will be collected next weekend (16th/17th).

**Repository**: there are now cards available at the back of Connah’s Quay Church for St Patricks Day, Mother’s Day & Easter.

**Bonus Ball Club QF**: this fund raising scheme started in 1997, since then it has raised £48,481 for the parish. Since 2018 it has raised £1764 which is down by £189 due to the 15 spare numbers we currently have – and so the Parish is losing out. For more information please speak to Frances Corkindale in the porch. "Thank you Frances, for your dedication, week in and week out for maintaining this valuable source of revenue for our parish."

**Churches Together on Deeside**: here are the details of the events organised by Cytun for Lent:-

Stations of the Cross - 7pm on Wednesdays at St. Ethelwold's Church.

Series of reflections based upon 'The Greatest Showman' - 10am on Saturday 16th/23rd/30th March + 6th April at St David's, Mold Road.

Bible Study - 7.30pm on Tuesday 26th March + 9th & 16th April at the Salvation Army Church.

**Coffee morning**: thank you all for taking part last Sunday, we raised awareness for Fair Trade and tested your knowledge in the quizzes. Our worthy winners were Jon-Paul and Ann Payton. There are copies of the quizzes available to take home to try if you'd like to test yourself! (Answers available from Rose Martin) **Our next coffee morning will be on 28th April after the 11o'clock.Mass**.

**Dementia Friendly Diocese**: the first meeting will be held in Buckley Parish at 7pm on the 11th March, during which there will be an overview of the programme and only requires 1 person from each Parish, if more than 1 person is interested no problem but if there is at least one that would be great. Even if no one can attend next Monday we can still send someone to the next meeting (same venue at Buckley Church Hall) and this date will be advised after next week if there isn't a representative from your Parish there on Monday. Please contact Steve Davies (stevedavies2211@gmail.com) or Margaret Hinton (mfl@rcdwxm.org.uk) for more information.

**SVP Notices**: the annual raffle is taking place at the end of March and there are big cash prizes, if anyone would like to enter, tickets available after Masses **this weekend only**. The next SVP meeting is Tuesday 19th March 2019, 7.00pm at CQ Presbytery. New members always welcome. If you think you would be able to join us please ring Peter on 07486001783 or email svpdeeside@gmail.com.

**Collections**: the parish collection total for 2nd/3rd March was £274.95 with a further £363.00 from the Gift Aid envelopes. The new envelopes for 2019/20 are now available in the porches - If you pay income tax and would like to join the scheme, please speak to Jimmy Higgins or Cath Baker at QF & Brian Bowden or Pat Morris at CQ.

**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 by Weds evening please, tel 01244 830985 or e-mail carmel\_smith@sky.com.