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

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 **4th Sunday of Eastertide (C) 16th/17th April 2016** **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

**Sat 16th April 5.30pm @ CQ Thomas Allen Jnr RIP**

**Sun 17th April 9.30am @ QF Zong Tian Lian RIP**

**Sun 17th April 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish**

Tue 19th – 9.30am @ QFLiturgy of the Day Frances Fleming RIP

Wed 20th – 9.45am @ CQ **Novena to Our Lady**

 “ “ - 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Camilla Ennio Landini RIP

Thu 21st – 9.30am @ QF Liturgy of the Day Dr Michael Gavin Snr RIP

Fri 22nd - 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Patrick Forde RIP

Sat 23rd – 5.30pm @ CQ 5th Sunday of Easter Philippa Bainbridge RIP

 Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word Rota** – Apr 17th – Mrs Burns & Miss Murdoch / Apr 24th – Miss Murdoch & Mrs Smith

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** - w/c Apr 17th – Sharon & Jeanette / w/c Apr 24th – Marilyn & Angela

Please welcome Elliot Samuel Thomas into our parish, his Christening is at Blessed Sacrament today (17th) at 2.30pm

**Retiring Collection**: this 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. Next weekend (23rd/24th April) there will be the monthly retiring collection for the Parish Maintenance Fund. Parishioners in the Gift Aid scheme please use your special white envelopes for this purpose.

On the weekend of 30th April/1st May there will be a mission appeal by the Religious Sisters.

**Parish Meeting**: to discuss the plans proposed by the Bishop will be held on Tuesday 19th April at 7pm in Blessed Trinity church. This meeting is open to all parishioners and it is important that as many as possible attend.

**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.

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

**Collection totals:** Last weekend was £306.57 with a further £389.50 from the Gift Aid envelopes.   Gift Aid donations given this week mean our parish can claim back £97.38 from tax already paid. 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.