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

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 **2nd Sunday of Lent (C) 16th/17th March 2019**

*Wrexham Diocese Charity Number 700426*

**Sat 16th March 5.30pm @ CQ Jim & Jennifer Lyons’ Intention**

**Sun 17th March 9.30am @ QF Ottorino Finzi RIP**

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

Tue 19th – 9.30am @ QF Weekday of Lent Arthur Sparks RIP (FM)

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

Wed 20th - 10.00am @ CQ Weekday of Lent Colette Fitzgerald RIP

Thu 21st - 9.30am @ QF Weekday of Lent John Stapleton RIP

Thu 21st – **12 noon @ CQ Requiem Mass for Margaret Brownlie RIP**

Fri 22nd – 10.00am @ CQ Weekday of Lent Barry Whittle RIP (Ian & Ann Butler)

Sat 23rd – 5.30pm @ CQ 3rd Sunday of Lent Moya Dunbar’s Intention

Sun 24th – 9.30am @ QF 3rd Sunday of Lent People of the Parish

Sun 24th - 11.00am @ CQ 3rd Sunday of Lent Martha E Morrin RIP (FM)

**Confessions** –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Stations of the Cross**: Queensferry – Thursdays @ 9.15am & Connah’s Quay – Fridays @ 7.00pm

**Rotas at Connah’s Quay**

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word:** 17th March – Mrs Doyle & Mrs Smith /24th March – Mrs Sullivan & Mrs Golembiewska

**Church Cleaning:** w/c 17th March – Polish Group / w/c 24th March – Sharon & Jeannette

**Greeters:** 16th/17th Mar - 5.30pm = K&M Jones & 11.00am = C Murdoch /23rd/24th Mar - 5.30pm = V Kinnair & 11.00am = J Cawley

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

 23rd/24th Mar 5.30pm – P Morris & B Gavin & 11.00am – M Hardcastle & J Cawley

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Brownlie who passed away recently and whose funeral is this week, also remember her family in your prayers.**

**Mass Intentions**: Canon Joe would like to assure anyone who has an outstanding Mass Intention that he will catch up in the next few weeks. It is purely due to his accident that this situation has arisen but he will do his best to say the Masses as soon as possible.

**First Holy Communion**: the next session is on Tuesday 2nd April from 4.15-5.00pm at Venerable Edward Morgan School.

**Lenten Family Fast Day**: was on Friday 15th March. The envelopes will be collected this weekend (16th/17th).

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

**Food Bank**: appeal for provisions as the Food Bank is in need of items due to an ever increasing demand. Items needed are longlife milk & fruit juices, cans of meat, fish, vegetables, puddings, biscuits, cereals and toiletries/hygiene products. Thank you.

**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 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.

**SVP Notices**: 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 9th/10th March was £269.71 with a further £323.64 from the Gift Aid envelopes. **There will be a second collection next weekend (23rd/24th March) which is for the Parish Maintenance Fund - if you are in the Gift Aid scheme please use your white envelope for this collection**. 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.