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

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**1st Sunday of Lent (B) 17th & 18th February 2018**

**Sat 17th February 5.30pm @ CQ Maureen Byrne**

**Sun 18th February 9.30am @ QF Donor’s Intention**

**Sun 18th February 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish**

Tue 20th - 9.30am @ QF Weekday of Lent Paul Joughin RIP

Wed 21st – 9.45am @ CQ **Novena to Our Lady** Michael Regan RIP

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Thu 22nd - 9.30am @ QFThe Chair of St Peter Robert Kirk RIP

Fri 23rd – 10.00am @ CQ Weekday of Lent Monica Jones’ Intention

Sat 24th – 5.30pm @ CQ 2nd Sunday of Lent Tony Durkin RIP

Sun 25th – 9.30am @ QF “ Donor’s Intention

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Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Stations of the Cross during Lent** – Thursdays 9am @ QF & Fridays 7pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word** – 18th Feb – Mrs Doyle & Miss Doyle / 25th Feb – Mrs Smith & Mrs Lambert

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** – w/c 18th February - Moya, Paul & Lynda / w/c 25th February - Dorota, Iza & Joanna

**Deanery Station Mass**: this will be on Wednesday 7th March, 7.00pm at Blessed Sacrament Church.

**Remember in your Prayers**: the family of Meurig Hughes RIP, his Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 1st March, 12 noon at Blessed Trinity.

**First Confession/Communion**: the meetings for 2018 are on Tuesday’s from 5-5.45pm at Venerable Edward Morgan School. (Feb 20th & 27th, Mar 6th & 13th) First Confession will be on Saturday 12th May at 10am & First Holy Communion is on Sunday 10th June at 11am.

**Cafod Family Fast Day**: is on Friday 23rd February and the retiring collection will be after all Masses on 24th & 25th.

**Lottery (Queensferry)**: there are spare numbers available if anyone would like one. Frances Corkindale collects the money and pays out the winnings each Sunday morning following the 9.30am Mass.

**Repository (Queensferry)**: a new stock of Mass, Sympathy, Get Well and Birthday cards are now on sale.

**Welsh Water**: the road works have re-started and are heading towards Blessed Sacrament Church. Please allow extra time for getting to Mass and parking.

**A Retreat Day**: is being held on Saturday 3rd March 2018 from 10.00am to 4.30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Hawarden. Everyone is welcome to join with us. Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea / Coffee will be provided.

**Lenten Bible Study**: 7.30pm on Thursdays until 22nd March at The Manse, Queensway, Shotton.

**Women's World Day of Prayer**: 2pm on Friday 2nd March at St. Mark’s Church, Connah's Quay.

**Welsh Night**: 6pm on Saturday 3rd March, £3 per person, at the Salvation Army Hall.

**ASDA Green Token Scheme**: from now until the end of March one of the local organisations included in the Scheme will be Food with Friends - the Tuesday inter-church free lunch for local lonely or in-need people at Rivertown. All funding for the lunches has to be raised locally so if you shop at ASDA your support through the Tokens would be a great help.

**Next SVP Meeting**: is Tuesday 20th February at 7.00pm. The local SVP group meet at Connah's Quay church in the presbytery every fortnight on Tuesdays at 7pm - new members always welcome. To contact the SVP, you can either email svpdeeside@gmail.com or call 07486 001 783.

**The SVP annual raffle**: will be taking place in March. Tickets are available from Peter Field (SVP president for our parishes).

**The District SVP**: are looking for a youth development officer to work with their younger SVP Members (mini-vinnies). If you are interested and able to volunteer a couple of hours a month please contact Brian Cullen, briancullen199@yahoo.co.uk or discuss further with a member from the parish SVP group. Thank you.

**Collections**: The parish collection for 10th/11th February was £267.91 with a further £305.80 from the Gift Aid envelopes. The White Flower @ CQ raised £117.75. 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, tel 01244 830985 or e-mail carmel\_smith@sky.com - by Weds evening please.