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

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 **7th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) 18th & 19th February 2017**

**Sat 18th February 5.30pm @ CQ Walter Millington RIP**

**Sat 18th February 7.00pm @ CQ Polish Mass**

**Sun 19th February 9.30am @ QF Paul Joughin RIP**

**Sun 19th February 11.00am @ CQ People of the Parish**

Tue 21st – 9.30am @ QF Liturgy of the Day Susan Gavin RIP

Wed 22nd – 9.45am @ CQ **Novena to Our Lady**

 “ “ - 10.00am @ CQ The Chair of St Peter the Apostle William Brownlee RIP

Thu 23rd – 9.30am @ QF St Polycarp St Richard Gwyn Staff & Pupils

Fri 24th – 10.00am @ CQ Liturgy of the Day Charles Martin

Sat 25th – 5.30pm @ CQ 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Nigel Wren RIP

 “ “ - 7.00pm @ CQ Polish Mass

Confessions –Saturday 5.00pm @ CQ

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word Rota** – Feb 19th – Mrs Smith & Mrs Doyle / Feb 26th – Mrs Burns & Mrs Sullivan

**Church Cleaning Rota CQ** – w/c Feb 19th – Sharon & Jeanette / w/c Feb 26th – Marilyn & Angela

**Wednesday 1st March is Ash Wednesday – masses will be at Queensferry on Tuesday 28th February at 7pm and at Connah’s Quay on 1st March at 10am.**

**First Confession & First Holy Communion**: the next session is on Saturday 4th March at 10.00am. This year’s First Holy Communion celebration will take place at the 11am Mass on Sunday 25th June.

**Retiring collection**: this weekend (18th/19th) is the Parish Maintenance Fund collection for February.

**Taize**: a group of young people from the Diocese are going to Taize in France this summer and are eager to extend the invitation to others, you must be over 18. There are posters in the porches of both churches with more details – but you must register your interest with Chriss Humphreys by **28th February**.

**Youth Weekend**: the Diocese are running a Youth Weekend at Noddfa for the over 16 age group. Dates are 7th-9th April and the cost is £45. There will be crafts, drama, music (bring your musical instruments) & games. For forms and more details contact Chriss Humphreys, the diocesan youth worker - either email (chrisshumphreys@hotmail.com) or call (07799703200)

**Next SVP Meeting**: is on Tuesday 28th February. The local SVP group meet at Connah's Quay church in the presbytery every fortnight on Tuesdays at 7pm - new members always welcome.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes**: Bishop Peter invites you to join him for the annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes flying from Liverpool Airport on Monday 22nd May for five nights in Lourdes. Hotel and other information can be obtained from Joe Walsh Tours - www.joewalshtours.co.uk or contact the Diocesan Director, Fr Adrian Morrin - bangorcatholicchurch@btinternet.com or 01248 370421.

**Romero Lecture**: As a part of the celebrations marking the centenary of the birth of Blessed Archbishop Oscar Romero and Romero Week 2017, we are pleased to welcome Sr Martha Zechmeister, CJ to the Diocese to give the lecture ‘The Secret of Romero – Passion for God, Compassion for the Poor’ on Saturday 18th March at 2.00pm in St. Mary’s Cathedral Hall. This follows the Lenten Station at 10.00am and 12noon Mass in the Cathedral. (www.romerotrust.org.uk)

**Collection totals**: Last weekend was £280.41 with a further £477.50 from the Gift Aid envelopes. Gift Aid donations given this week mean our parish can claim back £119.38 from tax paid. Please consider giving your offertory collection in a Gift Aid envelope if you pay tax.

**Appeal**; would parishioners in the Gift Aid scheme PLEASE use your white envelope for the monthly Parish Maintenance Fund collections.

If your donation is not in the envelope we are unable to claim back the tax refund.

**Items for the bulletin**: to Carmel Smith, tel 01244 830985 or e-mail carmel\_smith@sky.com - by Weds evening please.