

We Welcome Old and New Parishioners and Visitors to our Masses and Community as we celebrate

The 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT - 17th/18th OF FEBRUARY 2024

St. Joseph's Catholic Church

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Mass Times and Intentions

Day	Time	Intention
Saturday Vigil	6pm	Joseph Francis Butler, RIP
Sunday	9am	Joseph Francis Butler, RIP
Sunday	11am	Joseph Francis Butler, RIP
Monday	Pray the Rosary	11am
Tuesday	11am	Phonsie Wiley, RIP
Wednesday	11am	Kyle Evans, RIP
Thursday	11am	WORD AND COMMUNION
Friday	11am	People of the Parish

The Main Offertory for last week was: £717.89 **Standing Order and Gift Aid forms are at the back of the Church. Yellow Gift Aid envelopes are available at the back of the church. Any questions? Please email: finance@stjosephsrcc.org.uk**

There is a brochure in the back of the church that has all information for Lent and Easter Services. Please do pick one up.

Hospital Chaplains on Call: Colwyn Bay Hospital & Glan Clwyd: Fr. Vimal 01492 532670 | Glan Clwyd: Mrs Sheila Johnson 07717 182557 | Llandudno Hospital: Fr. Innocent - 860546 | Ysbyty Gwynedd: Fr. Adrian Morrin: 01248 3270421 | Parish Council - ppc@stjosephsrcc.org.uk | Parish Safe-Guarding Representative: Frank Bond 01492 330017 | Church Website Administrators: Tom & Gemma Maclean | Website - www.stjosephsrcc.org.uk | Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/stjosephsrcc | X (formerly known as Twitter): @stjosephsrcc | Community Centre Bookings and Enquiries: office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk | Little Lights Toddler Group: littlelights@stjosephsrcc.org.uk

Dates for Your Diary

Next weekend there is a second collection for Lenten Fast (Cafod)

EVERY SUNDAY after 9am and 11am Mass there is **coffee/tea**. Come and join us for catch up and some coffee/tea.

Food HUB: Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 1030am-1230pm or by appointment. Enquiries please do email us at office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk or for more information. Any and all donations greatly appreciated!

Monday, 7pm-8pm: Lectio Divina Experience the prayerful reading of the next Sunday's gospel and hear the message that it has just for you at St. Augustine's Priory, Cliff Road, Old Colwyn.

Zero Waste Fridge at the Community Centre - Zero Waste Fridge - on Thursdays 1030am - 1230pm and Fridays 9am - 1130am. **Come and do help us all be Zero Waste!**

THURSDAY - 22 FEBRUARY THERE IS WORD AND COMMUNION NO MASS.

Sunday Choirs - Please see Vicky Davila or Quentin Bellamy for practice locations. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross - Every Saturday at 10am we will be praying the Stations of the Cross in the church. Please come and join us.



Little Lights Parent and Toddler Group New session is back on Tuesday, 20th February in St. Joseph's Community Centre. Please see their Facebook page or email them at: littlelights@stjosephsrcc.org.uk.



Mazenod Youth Group (MYG) - meet the third Thursday of every month. This is for youth aged 15-25. Our next get together is Thursday, 21st of March at 6.30pm in the Community Centre. Any questions, come email us at: mazenodyouth@stjosephsrcc.org.uk

Into the Future – 3 Listening Exercise

In Bishop Peter's Pastoral Letter on Advent Sunday he spoke of meetings in the New Year to consider the updated pastoral plan. Dates and venues for those six open meetings are now established, they are Saturdays: 3rd February 10.30am to 12noon -Welshpool; and 2.30pm to 4.00pm -Wrexham; 24th February 2.30pm to 4.00pm -Rhyl; 2nd March 10.30am to 12noon -Llandudno; and 2.30pm to 4.00pm -Porthmadog; 9th March 2.30pm to 4.00pm -Buckley. Each meeting will have the same format: Formal and silent prayer; Presentation from Bp. Peter; opportunity for opinions, comments and suggestions from those present (maximum 3 minutes, please); Closing Prayer. Written (maximum 250words please) submissions can also be made – anonymous comments will not be considered. Please be sure to read 'Into the Future – 3' before attending a meeting or making a submission and note that purely negative responses are not helpful or constructive for the future:

https://www.rcdwxm.org.uk/files/ugd/Od070d_ba440c4896e347feb6b5fc0127eb57a8.pdf or a print copy from your parish before attending a meeting or making a submission.

Parish Census

Much has happened and changed over the last few years and we no longer have an accurate record of who we are as a Parish.

Families may leave or arrive, parishioners' circumstances may change leading to changes of address, for example, people moving in with relatives, care homes, sheltered accommodation; our younger parishioners leaving as they find work or move elsewhere - there are many reasons why our make-up changes and is constantly changing.

We're looking at carrying out a census to bring us up to date. A census would ask for a basic set of information such as names, addresses and contact details of those in your household who are members of our Parish.

It will give us a better understanding of the make-up of parishioners and this will also help give the Parish direction in how and what we do to meet our spiritual and pastoral needs. The Parish is our faith community and is served by many faithful and generous individuals, couples and families. To support the Parish's mission it would be really helpful to also understand everything that you do in the service of our community, and all that you could do to lend a helping hand. To this end, we would like to produce a further form that will gather this information and set us on a path for the future development of the Parish.

We're looking, too, to hold a Parish Meeting, open to all, to look at how we're doing and what could be bettered, to look at new directions and to strengthen others. We have the basics from our last Parish Assembly in 2019. We need to see what is still relevant to our community here in St Joseph's, so a little more on this before too long.

A simple census form will shortly be available. We look forward to your help in giving us a clearer picture of who we are.

Thank you, Phil Mulholland, Chair of the Parish Council.