



St Joseph's Catholic Church, Colwyn Bay

A Roman Catholic Parish of the **Diocese of Wrexham**, Reg. charity number 700426
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Parish Vision Statement: *"Our Spiritual Home: A Community of Faith in Action"*
Parish Mission Statement: *"As a vibrant community, guided by the Holy Spirit, we seek to bring the liturgy to life, nurture creation, and share the diverse gifts and talents entrusted to us in the service of God."*

Core Value for the Week: *"Through dedication and hard work, we honour the gifts God has given us."*

Clergy Update

Fr Vimal is currently away on holiday until 7th September. From 8th - 11th September, he will also be attending the Oblate Council meetings in Crewe. During this time, we are pleased to welcome **Fr Peter Clucus OMI**, who will be serving our parish community while Fr Vimal is away. Please keep Fr Vimal in your prayers for a restful and fruitful time away, and extend a warm St Joseph's welcome to Fr Peter!

Lectio Devina

There will be no Lectio Divina on,
Monday, 25th August 2025.



'Come and See ...'



St Beuno's Jesuit Spirituality Centre is hosting a **Day of Prayer, Reflection, Sharing, and Growth** on **Saturday 13th September 2025**, from **10:00am to 4:30pm**. This special day offers all laity a chance to deepen their ministry by exploring more deeply God's love for you. For more details or to reserve your place, please contact **stbeunosoutreach@beunos.com** as soon as possible.

Ministers of the Word - Training Sessions

On Wednesday 13th August, the first of two scheduled readers' training sessions took place in the church, with 14 parishioners in attendance. Thank you to everyone who took part. The second and final opportunity for both new and existing readers to attend training will be on **Wednesday 17th September, from 6.00pm to 8.00pm in the church.**

If you are interested in becoming a Minister of the Word, please speak to **Paul Evans** (6.00pm Vigil Mass), **Cath Knowles** (9.00am Mass) or **Mary Bond** (11.00am Mass).



Car Wash Fundraiser – Support Our Jubilee!

The Mazenod Youth Group will be rolling up their sleeves and getting to work to raise funds for our upcoming Jubilee celebrations! On **Sunday 24th August**, after both Masses, bring your car to the Centre and let the young people give it a sparkling clean while you support a great cause. Every wash helps us make the Jubilee a truly memorable event for the whole parish family.



125th Jubilee Celebration

This year we mark 125 years of faith, community and mission at St Joseph's...



Key Dates:

- **Sunday 28th September** - Exhibition opens
- **Saturday 4th October** - Jubilee concert in the Church
- **Sunday 5th October** - Jubilee Mass at 10.00am

What's Happening? - Your suggestions
Mass Exhibition Concert Competitions
Celebration Party Media & Outreach

Start Looking for your Memories

As part of our Jubilee exhibition, we'd love parishioners to start looking now through albums, boxes and cupboards for photographs of First Holy Communion, Confirmations, Weddings, Marian Processions etc! Please put your name and contact details on the back and drop them into the Parish office. Thank you.

Music Matters

Next week we say 'farewell' to our 11am organist as Quentin takes up an interim pastoral post at St David's Church in Penrhyn Bay. He has served us all as a Parish community in so many of our services here in the last five years, and especially at the 11am Mass, with diligence, faithfulness and true verve. Thank you so very much, Quentin.

But while it's a 'goodbye' for the 11am Mass it's very much a 'hello' once more as we welcome Quentin, from the beginning of October as he will now be playing the organ at the 6pm Vigil Mass each Saturday, apart from when the Filipino Choir will still sing at the first Saturday of the month. We wish you God Speed at St David's, Quentin, and very much welcome you back at the 6pm vigil Mass.



Support MAMI

You can now make a donation online to MAMI to help support the work of the Missionary Oblates around the world. Simply scan this QR code to give securely. Parishioners can also take a blue donation box from the back of the church, fill it at home, and return it when full. Your donations help the many international projects that depend on MAMI support.



Important Announcement - Upcoming Change to Sunday Mass Schedule

One Sunday Mass from October

After careful pastoral discernment and consultation with Bishop Peter and Fr. Lorcan, Provincial of the Anglo Irish Danish Province, we are making a **significant adjustment to our Sunday schedule**. Beginning in October, there will be **only one Sunday Mass celebrated at 10:00 a.m.** This decision has already been communicated to the Parish Council. I invite every member of our parish to embrace this change with prayer and hope, trusting that it will strengthen our life together as followers of Christ. Further communications will follow regarding how ministries will adapt and how we'll support parishioners. Thank you for your patience and faithfulness.

Mass & Service Times, Intentions & Feasts

Day	Time	Service	Intention	Feast
Saturday 23rd	6pm	VIGIL MASS	Lucy, Evie & Annie (intention)	<i>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Sunday 24th	9am	MASS	People of the Parish	<i>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
	11am	MASS	Garth Butcher (thanksgiving)	
Monday 25th	11am	ROSARY		<i>St Louis; St Joseph Calasanz</i>
Tuesday 26th	11am	MASS	Matthew & Susan Ward (Intention)	<i>Saint David Lewis</i>
Wednesday 27th	11am	MASS	A Special Intention	<i>Saint Monica</i>
Thursday 28th	11am	MASS	The Holy Souls	<i>Saint Augustine</i>
Friday 29th	10am	ADORATION & CONFESSION		
	11am	MASS	The Holy Souls	<i>The Passion of St John the Baptist</i>
Saturday 30th	6pm	VIGIL MASS	Julie, Grace & Pearl Rose (Intention)	<i>Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Sunday 31st	9am	MASS	People of the Parish	<i>Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
	11am	MASS	Mary (Mai) MacLean (RIP)	

Dates for your Diary

This week...



Sunday 24th August - Mazenod Youth Group Car Wash after 9am & 11am Masses
Sunday 24th August - Kerala Mass - 4pm in the Church
Wednesday 27th August - JPIC meeting in the presbytery from 6pm - 7pm.
Thursday 28th August - *St Joseph's Social Circle* in the Centre from 1pm - 3pm.
Friday 29th August - Adoration and Confession - 10am - 11am in the church

Morning Prayer this week will be at 10.30am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Looking ahead...

Wednesday 3rd September - *St Joseph's Primary School re-opens.*
Thursday 4th September - *Coffee with Welsh* in the Centre from 11.30am.
Friday 5th September - *Altar Server Training* in the Centre from 6pm - 7.30pm.
Sunday 7th September - *Grandparents' Day* at the Loreto Centre.
Tuesday 9th September - *Little Lights Toddler Group* returns to the Centre at 9am.
Thursday 11th September - *Friends of St Eugene* in the Centre from 6.45pm.
Friday 12th September - *Christmas Fair Planning Meeting* in the Centre at 9am.
Saturday 13th September - *"Come and See" Day of Prayer* at St Beuno's.
Sunday 14th September - Oblates' Annual *Lourdes Pilgrimage* begins.
Wednesday 17th September - *Readers' Training* in the Church at 6pm.
Sunday 28th September - *125 Years Jubilee exhibition opens.*
Sunday 28th September - *Disability Awareness Sunday*
Saturday 4th October - *Jubilee Concert* in the Church.
Sunday 5th October - *Jubilee Mass* followed by celebration in the school hall.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Fridays at 10am or on request

Baptisms and Weddings - please contact the office to arrange an appointment.

Sunday Coffee: Please join us in the Centre after both Sunday Masses for tea and coffee.

St Joseph's Centre Bookings: For all bookings and enquiries relating to the Centre please contact communitycentre@stjosephsrcc.org.uk or call 07349330273.

Finance

Collection totals for last weekend:

Offertory: **£725.75**
Standing Orders in July: **£1606**
Contactless Donations July: **£115**
Thank you!

This week's retiring collection is for:
Poor Parishes Fund
Next week there is no retiring collection.

Standing order and **Gift Aid forms** are available at the back of church for new, regular donors. **Yellow Gift Aid** envelopes are also available for visitors.

Contactless donations can be made at our new donations terminal in the porch!
You can also donate online by scanning our QR code with your smartphone.



Do you have something for the newsletter?

Email: office@stjosephsrcc.org.uk
by Wednesday to have it included in Saturday's edition.
Thank you!

Hospital Chaplains on Call: Colwyn Bay Hospital & Glan Clwyd: Fr. Vimal 01492 532670 | Glan Clwyd: Mrs Sheila Johnson 07717 182557

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