

# Parish Newsletter

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**Mass Times: Saturday** (vigil) 5.30pm **Sunday:** 9.30am and 11.00am

**Weekdays:** Convent: 10am. Church 12.00pm

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 11-11.30am and 5-5.30pm

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Saturdays: 11.00-12pm,

**Baptisms and Marriages** by appointment.

**Parish Safe-Guarding Representative:** Sr Clare Morley.

**Hospital Chaplains on call:** *Glan Clwyd:* Mrs Sheila Johnson: 07717182557.

*Llandudno Hospital:* Fr James Fealey: 01492 877353 *Ysbyty Gwynedd:* Fr Adrian Morrin (01248 370421). *Colwyn Bay Hospital:* Fr Mike and Fr Frank: 01492 532670

**Brightlights Youth Group:** get in touch with us on: [brightlightsyouthgroup@outlook.com](mailto:brightlightsyouthgroup@outlook.com)

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A warm welcome to parishioners and visitors to our parish Masses  
this weekend on the 23rd Sunday of ordinary time.

**Collections:** Last week's church collection: **£828.80** (Gift Aid: £426.50, Loose: £402.30)

**Many thanks.**

**Last week's 2nd collection was for the Oblate Missions** and Fr Paschal Dillon is very grateful for your generous response to his appeal.

The income to his collection last weekend was as follows: **2nd Collections:** £784.00,

**Blue mission boxes:** £352.00, and **private donation** of £1,000.00. (The total amount: **£2,136.00**)

**Next Week's 2nd Collection** is for the church Restoration Fund.

**Please remember our sick and housebound:** Rosemary Butcher, Basil Sanders, Elsie Allsup, Edward Burke, Neil Hogan, Fr Colm O'Riain OMI, Stacey Usher, William Richardson, Josie Canning, Eddie Hosker, Annie O'Neill, Heather Maxwell, John Lyon, Frank Shaw, Patrick Murtagh, Ruth Quinton, Joe Henshaw, Kathleen Sweeney, Maurice Doyle, Molly Coney, Teresa Morgan, Pat Godfrey, Paddy Kelly, Paddy Dunne, Ellis Holland, Jim Griffith, Eve Jones, Mary Bolger, Bridget Bullen, Margaret Randall, Daphne Williams, Mary and Francis Shaw, and Fr John Toole.

**Anniversaries:** Alice Kingsbury, Alec Harrison and Charlie Farrugia. May they rest in peace.

**Recently Deceased:** **Fr Tom Murphy OMI** after a short illness, in Brazil. Former Provincial of the Anglo-Irish province who visited the parish during his tenure of office. May he rest in peace.

**WEEKDAY MASS TIME FOR THE NEXT 2 WEEKS:** There will be Mass each weekday in the Convent of Mercy Nursing Home at 10am. **No 12pm Mass.**

**Knights of St Columba Notice:** If anyone has a Knights of St Columba “**Mary’s Meals**” collecting box, would you please hand it in at the presbytery or to any member of the Knights before the end of September, so that the monies can be presented to the charity in October. Thank you.

**SPUC August Draw winner:** £50 to Mary Hill at Loreto Convent.

**Notice about the planned Parish Dinner on 10th September 2015:**

Regretfully this event has had to be cancelled due to insufficient numbers. An alternative New Year Parish Dinner will be arranged in due course.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES:**

**Meeting on Modern Slavery and Human trafficking:** You are invited to Princes Drive Baptist Church, Colwyn Bay, **on Monday next, 7th September** at 7pm to hear a presentation from Mr Marko Stupar from Belgrade, Serbia who is actively involved in anti-human trafficking work in the Balkans, and who sees a link with the present deepening crisis of the movement of vast numbers of migrants into southern Europe.

**Beulah Brass Concert:** will take place in St Joseph’s Church on **Wednesday 30th September at 7.30pm.** Tickets £5 in aid of the Restoration Fund.

**Christmas Fayre** will be held **on Saturday 21st November** 2015, and there will be a planning meeting on **Monday 21st September at 7.30pm** in the presbytery. Please come to the meeting if you can, and we need lots of help as always, plus new ideas for stalls etc.

**Parish Holiday** will be **on 18th April 2016** - 5 days in Somerset. Cost £195.00. Seats on the bus and accommodation still available. See John Williams to book.

**“The Link” Diocesan newsletter** for this month is available (free) in the church porch.

**Ministers of the Eucharist** A reminder that priests and eucharistic ministers should be scrupulous in cleaning their hands before distributing the Holy Communion host in the home, hospital or in church.

There is a poster in several locations in Glan Clwyd hospital which says: **“Have you cleaned your hands? 80% of all infectious diseases are transmitted by touch”**

Please use an antibacterial hand gel before taking a host and placing it on someone’s hand or mouth. Such gels is supposed to kill 99.9% of bacteria.

**Smile:** A woman and her husband attended a Reconciliation Service at their local parish church. Because they were so frail they went into the confessional together and the woman tearfully admitted that she had shoplifted a can of peaches from Tesco’s because she had forgotten her purse. The priest gently asked how many peaches were in the cash. She sobbed and replied, “Nine”. The priest said that for her penance she would have to say nine rosaries, “one for each peach”. Then her husband spoke up. “Father” he said, “she also stole a can of peas!”

**OAP or Senior Birthday Prayer:** *“God grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I do...  
.....and the eyesight to tell the difference!”*

