

# ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH COLWYN BAY

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## Sunday 31st October 2010 31st Sunday

The one thing we don't have, it seems is patience. No patience and no desire to look forward to things to come. But on All Saints Day, this is precisely what we confess as Christians: there is an eternal city, a paradise of God, an eternity of rest and being with the Lord. But we don't have it yet. Now we walk by faith, not by sight, confessing the eternal joys of the life to come while yet struggling in this sin-filled world of death.

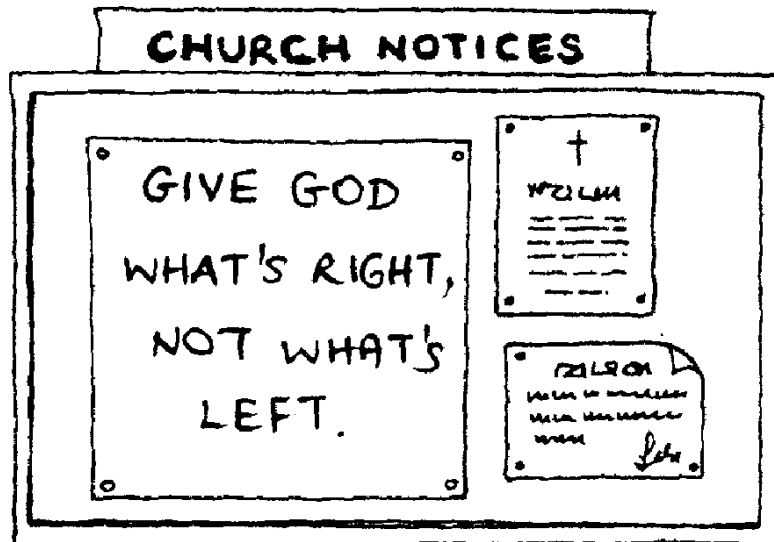
(Scott Jensen)

For centuries the Church has confronted the human community with role models of greatness. We call them saints when what we really often mean to say is "icon", "star", "hero", ... ones so possessed by an internal vision of divine goodness that they give us a glimpse of the face of God in the centre of the human. They give us a taste of the possibilities of greatness in ourselves.

(Joan D. Chittister)

The challenge of the saints of the twenty-first century is to begin again to comprehend the sacred in the ten thousand things of our world; to reverence what we have come to view as ordinary and devoid of spirit.

(Edward Hays)



### Prayer for the Parish

O God our Father and Creator

Where two or more are gathered together in your name you are there in their midst.

We bring to you our parish of St Joseph to ask your blessing as we meet the challenges of our mission of witness and discipleship.

Give us courage and enthusiasm.

Give us spirit of initiative and originality of thought.

Give us charity and unity and make us aware of each other as we work towards the renewal of our parish.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

St Joseph pray for us.

### EXPOSITION, ROSARY AND QUIET PRAYER

Saturday 11-00am to 12-00noon

### SATURDAY CONFESSIONS

11-00am to 11-30am

5-00pm to 5-30pm

### SATURDAY MASS

5-30pm

### SUNDAY MASSES

9.30 a.m., 11.00 a.m.

Monday 12.00 noon Mass

Tuesday 7-30pm Mass

Wednesday and Thursday 9-30am Mass

Friday 12-00 noon Mass

**PLEASE REMEMBER** in your prayers all those who are sick, especially :

Basil Sanders, Mary Derrick, George Porter, May Marron, Edward Burke, Bridget McLaughlin, Fr Colm O'Riain OMI, Wendy Swinton, , Mary O'Leary, Fr Chris Dunne OMI, Eddie Mann, Neil Hogan, Mike Tobin, John Lyon, Claire Carlson, Rose Bostock., Drina Watts, Gay Merrick, Francis Shaw, William Richardson, Mary Bushell, Betty McCarthy, Peter Smith, Kathleen Edwards, Nancy Bowden, Anthony, Brenda Jones, Norman Graham, Josie Canning, Cathy Murphy, Eddie and Sheila Hosker.

**All whose Anniversaries occur around this time including**

Paul Anthony Smith (2004), Dorothy Hodgetts (2006), Veronica Branagan (2004).

**Recently Deceased**

John Edwards, Maureen Fitzsimons.

**Fr Damien's Prayer Group has resumed again at 8-00pm on Tuesday Evenings**

Last Week's Offertory Collection  
Was  
£627-09  
(including £235-52 loose)

**REPOSITORY**

**The Repository is open after both the Saturday and Sunday Masses And also from 12-30pm till 1-00pm weekdays.**

ALL SOULS (November 2nd)  
At the end of a Catholic funeral a strange thing happens: we actually speak to the dead person. We pray, "May the choirs of angels come to greet you..."  
Usually our prayers are for the dead, not to them. But here's an unusual prayer from Lithuania that does precisely that on All Souls' Day:  
Dear souls of the dead, you are still remembered by my family; you are most worthy of our perpetual remembrance, especially you, my grandparents and my parents along with our relatives, our children, and everyone whom death has taken away from our home. We invite you to this annual feast. We pray that this feast may be agreeable to you, just like the memory of you is to us. Amen.



**PARISH NEWS**

**Sacraments**

At a meeting of the sacraments group it was agreed that the sacrament of baptism will be deferred until further notice. This will enable the volunteer catechists to receive training in baptism instruction and also to look at different baptismal programmes. Any baptisms booked in will take place as arranged with Maureen Morgan—Jones.

**St Joseph's Social Group**

A Christmas Market shopping trip to Manchester on Saturday 27th November. Cost £10-00. Pick up points at Rhos/Colwyn Bay/Old Colwyn. Depart approx 8-20am/Retraining by approx 7-00pm.

Names to **John Williams (organist)**

**Parish Retreat 20th November 2010**

Many people have signed up for this retreat, to be run by Fr Martin and Sr Catherine, from the OMI Retreat Centre in Crewe. Could we ask anyone else who wishes to attend to fill in the form at the back of church by Sunday 7th November 2010. All ages welcome. **Sergio Solera—On behalf of the Adult Formation Group**

**St Beuno's Outreach Prayer Group**

St Beuno's Outreach Prayer Group will meet here at the Presbytery each Monday at 10-45am. All are welcome to come and pray with us.

**Sister Mary Childs (Loreto)**

**Food Share**

Conwy food share would like to say a huge thank you for the generous donations of food. We gave over 100 items of food last week and five more bags full this week. Please keep the donations coming in for this very worthy cause.

Further information about what foods are required are on our website [www.colwynbaycatholicchurch.co.uk](http://www.colwynbaycatholicchurch.co.uk)

Please support this worthwhile cause.

**Junior Readers Required**

We are looking for children to read in the 9-30am Mass. Please see Anne-Marie Furse or Paul Braid if you are interested. Training will take place shortly.

**Advent Family Day**

Advance notice—A family day will be held in PantAsaph on 28th November from 11-45am / 4-15pm. There will be various Christmas craft activities, Christingle singing and Mass with the Bishop followed by hotpot.