

Our Lady of Peace Parish, Newbridge

With Sacred Heart, Pontllanfraith & Ss. Anthony & Clare, Risca

Day Sundays A Weekdays 2	Ss. Anthony & Clare, Risca	Our Lady of Peace, Newbridge	The Sacred Heart, Pontllanfraith
Sunday 2nd Feast: The Presentation Of The Lord	11.15am <i>Parish Family</i>	9.15am <i>Private Int.</i>	5.00pm (Sat) <i>Quick Family</i>
All Masses in The Sacred Heart will be in the Hall while the church ceiling is painted!			
Monday 3rd St. Blaise			Rosary 10.30am 11.00am <i>Rossi Family</i>
Tuesday 4th	6.30pm Mark Lanigan		
Wednesday 5th Mem: St. Agatha	Exposition 9.30am 10.00am <i>.Word & Sacrament</i>		
Thursday 6th Mem: St. Paul Miki & Companions		Rosary 10.00am 10.30am <i>Int. Esther & Brian Dunleary</i>	
Friday 7th			Rosary 10.00am 10.30am <i>Holy Souls</i>
Saturday 8th St. Jerome		10.00am Peace	
Sunday 9th 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.15am <i>June Hillman</i>	9.15am <i>Parish Family</i>	5.00pm (Sat) <i>Karen Bunston</i>

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Please pray for...

All those who receive the Sacrament at home, those who are in any need and especially for:
Norah Pritchard, Stuart Coe, Jackie Heather,
Kathleen Russell, Valerie Griffin, Jane Villa, Ken Randall,
Lisa Evans and Nell Hawkins.
If you would like to place someone on the list for prayers; please check they are willing for their name to appear here and forward their name to us.

Collection 26/01/20	
Parish	£469.50

Saint of the Week
S. Blaise

Blaise was first known for his 'healing miracles' and when older he became a doctor plus a 'Physician of souls'. He soon retreated to a cave but people would still seek him out for his healing miracles.
When he came down from the cave, he was made Bishop, however, his popularity made the Governor annoyed and he arrested him.
On the way to his cell, a mother begged Blaise to heal her son who had a fish bone stuck in his throat. This he did, and the mother returned with two candles to light his dark cell. He died a martyr aged approx. 34. There is a Well in Kent named St. Blaise which is said to have healing properties.
Feast day 3rd February
Patron: throat illness, wool combers, and wool traders.

200 Club

200 club subscriptions will be due in February. Please place your money in an envelope with your name on it and hand in to one of the collectors in your church. Thank you.

The Year of the Word
'The God Who Speaks'
The Development of Our Bible
Thursday, 6th February – Newbridge after Mass (11.00am)
Friday 7th February – Pontllanfraith after Mass (11.00am)

There will be more events through the year relating to the 'Year of the Word'. Do try to come to them.
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Verbum Domini

Copies are available at £3.95. *Recommended reading for Readers and those involved in Ministries in the Parish.*
Other titles will be recommended as the Year of the Word develops.
We will have time to discuss some of these later in the year!
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Scripture Study Days, the Cornerstone, 10 am – 12 noon Encountering Jesus as the Messiah in Matthew's Gospel March 28th. Led by Fr. Tim McGrath
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A word to consider:- **'PRESENT !....'**

..... they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord),
Luke 2: 22-3



St Matthew's Gospel

We will hear a lot of Matthew's Gospel as it is the main source of Gospel reading at Mass through this Year of the Word!
We, as a Parish, are going to write out the Gospel of Matthew as a way of getting to know the Gospel, and also to be a remembrance of the Year in the Parish.
How do we do this?
We are dividing the Gospel into manageable portions. The Chapter number and verse number will then be written on a small piece of paper and put in a basket so that people can pick one and write out that section of the Gospel. *This can be done as an individual, or as a family, or a few friends!*
A sheet of paper will be given to you for you to write out your part. These will then be handed in and fitted into a large blank book which will form
The Gospel According to Matthew
As written out by the people of the Parish of Newbridge - 2020!
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More details will be given, but this is the basic idea!

People Needed!

We have a need for people to be :
Sacristans
In our churches. There will be training involved with this so don't worry if you are unsure about what to do.
There are many other volunteers needed – you may be one of them!!

Meetings & Information
SVP
The next SVP meeting will be on Monday February 10th in the hall in Risca at 2.30pm.
Sunshine Club
Meet every other Monday at 6.30pm in the Hall in Risca. Come along and check those pounds!!
Senior Citizens
We meet in the Hall in Pontllanfraith every Tuesday from 1.15pm to 3.30pm. You are more than welcome to turn up for a chat, a cup of tea, and a game of bingo. For more information, please contact Denise Robert.
Child Protection
The LCPR – 'Local Child Protection Rep. for these parishes is Mrs Imelda Mortimer. Should you need to contact her the number is: 07773 649460
Christians Together
The next meeting will be held on Saturday March 7th in Golden Grove, Newbridge at 10.00am.
Social & Fundraising Committee
The next meeting will be in Newbridge on February 13th at 7.00pm.
Justice & Peace
The next meeting will be Monday February 24th at Sue's house for quiet prayer and reflection.

For Your Diary
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6th & 7th Feb. The Development of the Bible.
A talk and discussion event. 6th & 7th Feb. After Morning Mass in Newbridge(6th) and Pont. (7th).
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14th Feb. Premananda Coffee Morning
This will be on Friday after the 10.30am Mass, in the hall in Pont. Do come along and bring all your friends to share some lovely home-made cakes, tea/coffee and a chat. Everyone welcome!
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15th/16th Feb SURVIVE MIVA
An appeal at Mass with a retiring collection. We provide avital element for successful healthcare and pastoral work in Africa, Asia & Latin America. A mode of transport! More information at: <http://www.survive-miva.org/>
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16th Feb, Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes
3.30pm at Our Lady of Margam, Port Talbot.
See posters in the churches
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1st March Dydd Gŵyl Dewi
Quiz Night & Cawl in the Sacred Heart at 5.30pm, Come and join the fun and celebration! All are welcome.
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29th Nov. One Mass Only!
11.00am at Our Lady of Peace Newbridge
Followed by refreshments - Bring and share after Mass
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Lent is near!

Ash Wednesday will be with us on 26th February. It is time to start collecting last year's Palm Crosses in so that we can make the ashes ready for the day.
During the season there will be a lot happening! We have the 'Walk with me' booklets available. There will be a children's drawing competition.
The CAFOD Family Fast Day will be on Friday, 6th March.
A lot will be happening! We need to prepare ourselves to face this season and to 'Re-evangelise' ourselves so that we can arrive at the 12th April as 'The Easter People.'

Bibles Available

Some of you have asked about buying an appropriate Bible. There are a selection of these available in the churches now. Please look either at the back of the church or on Piety Stall.
If you need help to choose, or have any questions about them, please ask!
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White Flower Appeal
I received a thank you message from Norman to all who contributed last week. You gave over £300.00! Thank you.

Restoration Milk Bottle Fund-Raiser!

We will be giving out empty 1 Pint plastic milk bottles at the beginning of Lent and collecting them in at Pentecost. Take one home and invite friends and neighbours to contribute!
We would be grateful for any **washed!** 1 pint plastic bottles you have!!

Food Banks

For those who would like to help but are not sure what items are needed a list has been prepared. Please take one. Thank you all for your generosity 😊

Thought for the Week
Friendship isn't a big thing, it's a million little things.