

SEVERN VALLEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Nineteenth Sunday of the Year

Masses for the week 10 August—16 August 2014

Sunday Cycle Year A Psalter Week 3

Newtown and Llanidloes

Llanidloes

Saturday Vigil 4 pm People of the Parish

Newtown

Sunday 11 am

Tuesday 9 am St. Jane de Frances Chantal

Wednesday 9 am Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus

Friday 9 am Assumption of the Bl. Virgin Mary

Welshpool

Saturday Vigil 6.30 pm People of the Parish

Sunday 9 am

Monday 9 am St. Clare

Thursday 9 am St. Maximilian Kolbe

Friday 7 pm Assumption of the Bl. Virgin Mary

Saturday 9 am St. Stephen of Hungary

Please note: **Only on this Saturday alone**, at evening there will be **no Vigil Mass at Welshpool**.

Please do not forget, that the **Feast of the Assumption** is a day of obligation, to give witness to our belief that Mary, our Lord's and our Mother, and Mother of the Church, was conferred the greatest honour of our race that she was assumed bodily into Heaven.

Weekdays before Mass there will be an hour's adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession by appointment. Before the Vigil Mass at Welshpool, the **Rosary** is said reflecting on the mysteries based on the Gospels.

Please remember in your **prayers the well being of** the religious sisters, priests of the Diocese, sick, infirm and housebound parishioners; to name a few of them: John Burke, Margaret Moore, John Dunn, June Jones, Felicia Stather, Eileen Proctor, Kath Woolley, Ada, Ursula Mansell and Janet Randell.

Collections Llanidloes £59, Newtown £169 Welshpool £197..

A warm welcome in Christ to Arwen Megan Jones on her baptism at Llanidloes, and may God bless her parents Malgorzata Dabrowska and Nicholas Jones, and Godparents Philip Rogers and Carina Xavier to help her grow in grace and holiness.

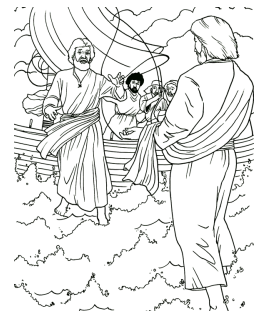
This Week's Events

On Monday Welshpool Lay Carmelites will have their weekly meeting at 9.30 am.

All welcome to the film **Exodus** in Newtown Parish Room, 6.30 pm on Tuesday.

Thursday at 2.00 pm the Newtown Parish Prayer Group meets.

At Llanidloes there is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 6.00-7.00 every Thursday.



Note to myself: For some reason summer has taken its toll on my mind, and am unable to 'bring up' a worth while 'talking point' for this space. So here are a few shots that might yet help with a G&T, if you're just chilling out on a warm summer afternoon to mull about the 'church' and the practice of faith. i) Heard the local pastor beamed when he saw the young man in Church after a very long time. He told the young fellow that however good it was to see him after his last visit in Christmas; the Lord needed him to show up a bit more frequently to make his '**spiritual army**' combat worthy. The latter grinned sheepishly, and said, 'Not to worry, Padre, I'm in his army'. The pastor arched his eyebrow, 'Since when brother?', and the fellow closed up to him, and whispered, 'Couldn't tell you in front of everyone. I'm in his secret service'. What a church that must be with such spooks; wonder if the pastor is into guns like the dreaded commander of the Lord's army in Africa.

In these days of sad reminiscences about World Wars, in a church in Amsterdam, a Catholic went to confession and told the priest he hid a man in his attic - was it a sin? The priest said, '**Don't waste my time**. It's not a sin. The man said, 'But I also made him pay for his stay'; to which the priest said, 'Well it's all right since you saved his life'. The man said, 'Just one more thing Father...Do I have to tell him the war is over?'. **Q. Now, how serious would that sin be?**

My friend Frank heard this in a church he visited in his recent travels; so apt to our church on the banks of the Severn. The preacher, sworn to temperance, said if he had his way, he'd pump every barrel of beer, every cask of wine, and every dram of whiskey into the nearest river. Must have made his congregation even more thirsty on that hot summer morning, cause he chose for his final hymn... you've guessed it right, 'Let us gather at the River'.