

13<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MERTHYR TYDFIL

*Worshipping together*

St Aloysius, Chestnut Way, Gurnos, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 9SB

St Benedict's, Merthyr Vale CF48 4RF

St Illtyd's, Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 3BT

St Mary's Pontmorlais West, Merthyr Tydfil Cf47 8RG

**Parish Priest:** CANON BARRY ENGLISH

**Deacons:** Rev. DAVID O'KEEFE 01685 375761 Rev. GARTH TASKER 07939 310176

<b>Response to the Psalm:</b> Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.	<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b> Alleluia! Alleluia! Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.merthyrcc.co.uk">www.merthyrcc.co.uk</a>  <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:merthyr@rcadc.org">merthyr@rcadc.org</a>  <b>Tel:</b> 01685 723336
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**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

**4.30 pm St Benedict's**

**6.30 am St Aloysius**

Mass); Fr. Colin Heneberry;

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

**9.30 am St Illtyd's**

Lyons; Josie Price; Fr. Colin Heneberry;

**11.30 am St Mary's**

Connie Green (B'day); Fr. Colin Heneberry; John and Vera Strand; Michael Snell;

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Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Fr. Colin Heneberry

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan; Margaret Pierce (Memorial

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Lorraine O'Sullivan (Anniv); Remembrance of Thomas Mathew; Michael

Ron Morgan; Michael Hurley; Bernad McCormack; Paul and Stuart Bartz;

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July**

**10.00 am St Illtyd's**

**St Kateri Tekawitha, St Camillus De Lellis, Priest**

**ST ILLTYD'S SCHOOL MASS**

Canon Sean Kearney;

**St Bonaventure, Priest, Doctor**

**ST ALOYSIUS SCHOOL MASS**

Nora Scannell (Anniv);

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

People of the Parish;

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**

**10.00 am St Mary's**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

**10.00 am St Mary's**

Fr. Maurice Newman

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

**9.00 am Bishop Hedley Campus**

**SCHOOL MASS**

Fr John Coghlan;

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

**4.30 pm St Benedict's**

Boggon ; Veronica and Frank Molloy (Speedy Recovery)

**6.30 am St Aloysius**

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan;

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

**9.30 am St Illtyd's**

(B'Day); Mary Pat Williams; Michael Lyons;

**11.30 am St Mary's**

John Gill;

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)**

Dorothy Mahoney; Thomas Moran Jnr; Nigel Scrivens; William Lewis

Ron Morgan; Michael Hurley; Bernad McCormack; Paul and Stuart Bartz;

**Please remember in your prayers:** Peggy Vaughan, Tony Crawford, Beryl & David Keefe, Steven Denton Thomas,

Teresa Jones, Lisa Morgan Jones, David Lewis; Veronica Rowlands; Paula Williams; Linda Sproles; Josie Egan,

Sylvia Williams, Deacon David O'Keefe; Jimmy Llewellyn; Ann Evans; Maria Evans; Ann Watkins; Mary Wade;

Marlene Chambers. Phillip James; Gerald Harrington ; Robert Phelps;

**Requiescet in pace** Dorothy Mahoney; Alan Duffield; Jeff Williams; Oliver McAleer; Susan Parry; Stephen

Tomsett;

**Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in Peace. Amen.**

**RCIA**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults , (RCIA) is the rite through which adults are received into the Catholic Church. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, please e mail Canon Barry on

[merthyr@rcadc.org](mailto:merthyr@rcadc.org).

### **St Illtyd's Lottery 6<sup>th</sup> July**

Numbers: 3, 6, 15, 24 No Winner

Next draw 13<sup>th</sup> July £3425

### **St Mary's Lottery 6<sup>th</sup> July**

Numbers: 2, 12, 20, 23 No Winner

Next Draw 13<sup>th</sup> July £4000

### **ST MARY'S LOTTO**

All entries for St Mary's lotto **MUST** be placed in the box at the back of the church **BEFORE** Mass.

### **BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS**

We are currently receiving applications for our primary campuses (St Aloysius, St Illtyd's and St Mary's). If you want a nurturing, caring and supportive environment for your child, please consider us. Contact us to arrange a visit, either via the central switchboard 01685 351870 or via email

office@bcacs.merthyr.sch.uk Application forms can be found on our website [www.bcacs.merthyr.sch.uk](http://www.bcacs.merthyr.sch.uk)

### **FOOD BANK**

Please don't forget those who are in need through no fault of their own. Many of the people who use our local food banks are working without any State help. Please continue to donate non perishable goods to help them.

### **DAILY MASS**

We are very fortunate to have Daily Mass celebrated in our Churches. Please make an effort to attend one day in the week if you are able. Or join the live stream if you can't attend.

### **THE 2025 NATIONAL JUBILEE WALKING PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE**

The Pilgrimage of Hope is a national walking pilgrimage for England and Wales with four main Ways converging at the Cathedral of St Barnabas, Nottingham, on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025, the eve of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. It is an initiative of the Hearts in Search of God project. The Ways start at the Catholic cathedrals in Cardiff, Leeds, Norwich and London and will bless our nations with a Sign of the Cross. The routes use established hiking routes and are off road as much as possible. A small group of 'perpetual pilgrims' will walk the full distance of each Way, with up to 20 day pilgrims joining for day stages.

It is now possible for pilgrims to register for day stages: <https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/become-a-pilgrim-for-a-day>

### **ST ILLTYD'S END OF PROJECT CELEBRATION SERVICE**

On Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00 pm, His Grace Archbishop Mark will join us for a short thanksgiving service, thanking everyone involved for their efforts. Following the Service hot and cold refreshments will be available.

Donations of cakes, homemade or bought, will be gladly appreciated.

### **MARCH FOR LIFE UK - 6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

March for Life UK is a major event taking place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September in London. Thousands of people will join together, united in a show of unity for the value of life from conception and standing up for all those who have been impacted by abortion. If you are interested in taking part, two coaches will be travelling up to London on the day. For further information on the coach leaving from St Dyfrig's, **Treforest** contact Howard at [Howard.bayliss@templebaptist.org.uk](mailto:Howard.bayliss@templebaptist.org.uk); for information about the coach leaving St Alban's, **Cardiff** and picking up from **Newport**, contact Clare on 07983 522 851

### **DIGITAL GIVING STATIONS**

The digital giving stations at St Marys and St Illtyds are both operational. It is simple to make donations by card and to Gift Aid them, if you wish.

### **MINISTRY OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST**

During a typical week, the Blessed Sacrament will be taken to around 20 members of the parish who are unable to get to mass. They will receive Holy Communion at home or in a care setting. Thank you to Canon Barry, Deacon Garth, Deacon David and our Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist for organising and delivering this invaluable service.

### **WALKING PILGRIMAGE – ITALY 2026**

We are looking for anyone who may be interested in walking a pilgrimage in Italy next year. We will be walking the Via Francigena last section which is 110 km, on average 13+ miles a day. We are looking at September 2026. This is strictly for people who are physically fit for the elevation and distance walked daily. Please contact Kevin on [kevincanav@hotmail.com](mailto:kevincanav@hotmail.com)