

28th June 2026

STS PETER AND PAUL APOSTLES - Year A

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 Mary's, Pontmorlais West, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8RG    St Illtyd's, Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 3BT  
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<b>Response to the Psalm:</b> <i>Their sound goes forth through all the earth.</i>	<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b> Alleluia! Alleluia! <i>Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.</i> Alleluia! Alleluia	<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.merthyrrc.co.uk">www.merthyrrc.co.uk</a> <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:merthyr@cardiffmenevia.org">merthyr@cardiffmenevia.org</a> <b>Tel:</b> 01685 723336
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**A Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel,**

Defend us in battle.  
 Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.  
 May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,  
 and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,  
 by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan,  
 and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world  
 seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

*We will be holding penitential services on a Saturday morning at 11.30 in St Mary's Church*

**DEVOTIONS**

*During the month of June, the Rosary will be recited before each Mass weekdays and weekends. Also, there will be Mass at 7.00 pm at St Aloysius, every Tuesday, with Rosary at 6.30 and every Thursday with Adoration at 6.30 pm*

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

**Vigil – STS Peter and Paul Apostles– Year A**

4.30 pm	St Benedicts	Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Sheila Lewis; Bernard Donoghue; Doris Luxton; Dirk Van Staden; Richard Hioll; Stephen Fryzer
6.30 pm	St Aloysius	Bernard & Mary Corcoran; Patricia Buckley; Cornelius and Phyllis May O'Regan;

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

**STS Peter and Paul Apostles– Year A**

9.30 am	St Illtyd's	Bernard Mahoney (B'Day); Stephen and David Jarrett (Anniv); Raymond Fahy
11.30 am	St Mary's	Ron Morgan. Olive Mary McCormack; Bernard Walter McCormack; Paul and Stuart Bartz; Nancy Connolly; Bernard Delaney; Deacon David O'Keefe; To all Holy Souls and All Saints; Immaculate Kelechi Igwe(RIP); Michael Whitcombe (Sick Neighbour);

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

10.00 am	St Illtyd's	People of the Parish; Berakhiah Jack (B'Day);
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**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

**First Martyrs of the Church if Rome**

10.00 am	St Mary's	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>7.00 pm</b>	<b>St Aloysius</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

10.00 am	St Mary's	Betty and John Sullivan (Rememberance and B'Day);
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**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

10.00 am	St Mary's	<b>Adoration at 9.30 am followed by Mass</b> : Michael Cotty (Anniv);
<b>7.00 pm</b>	<b>St Aloysius</b>	<b>Adoration at 6.30 followed by Mass .</b>

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

**St Thomas, Apostle**

10.00 am	St Illtyd's	Thanksgiving for 10 years Anniversary of reception into Church
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**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

**Vigil – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time– Year A**

4.30 pm	St Benedicts	Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Sheila Lewis; Bernard Donoghue;
6.30 pm	St Aloysius	Bernard & Mary Corcoran; Patricia Buckley;

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. - Year A**

9.30 am	St Illtyd's	Gavin and Tina Fitton; Stuart Phelps; Veronica and Maryann Coffey; Paul Costigan; Nick Lardna
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11.30 am	St Mary's	Ron Morgan. Olive Mary McCormack; Bernard Walter McCormack; Paul and Stuart Bartz; Michael Crotty; Louise Hopkins; Bess, Cliff and Carl Preece; Clive and Jason Watkins; Connie Green (18 <sup>th</sup> B'Day memories); Patricia Williams (Lee Special Intention);
<b>INFANT BAPTISMS</b>		<b>Registration for Infant Baptisms will take place after Sunday Mass at St Illtyd's and St Mary's. Baptisms will then take place after mass on a Saturday at St Illtyd's and on a Sunday at St Mary's.</b>

**Please remember in your prayers:** Peggy Vaughan, Tony Crawford, Beryl & David Keefe, Steven Denton Thomas, Teresa Jones, David Lewis; Veronica Rowlands; Paula Williams; Linda Sproles; Sylvia Williams, Jimmy Llewellyn; Mary Wade; Marlene Chambers; Phillip James Dennis Preece; Sheila Duffield; Josie Egan; Paddy Sullivan; Helen Golden; John Reynolds; Katie Coughlin; Jennifer Lewis;

**Requiescat in pace** Allan Davies; Pauline Williams; Maureen Pyle; Pam Druce; Estelle Marie O'Donovan; Shirley McNamara;

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

## **NO MASS on TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE – PRIEST'S TRAINING DAY**

### **STS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES – YEAR A**

Saints Peter and Paul are two of the most important figures in the history of the Church. They were leaders who spread the message of Jesus and helped build the early Christian community. Both are remembered as apostles who gave their lives for their faith. The Church celebrates them together because of their deep connection in spreading the Gospel.

Peter was one of the twelve apostles chosen by Jesus. He became the leader of the apostles and is known as the first Pope. Jesus called Peter "the rock" on which He would build His Church. Peter's role was to guide and strengthen the early Christians.

<b>St Illtyd's Lottery 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>St Mary's Lottery 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>
Numbers; 5, 6, 10, 23 No Winner:	Numbers; 6, 9, 13, 22 No Winner
Next Draw 28 <sup>th</sup> June (£1350)	Next Draw 28 <sup>th</sup> June (£6500)

### **FOOD BANK- THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.**

All items of tinned, dried and bottled food are greatly appreciated

### **COLLECTION OF ST PETER'S PEN CE**

Let's help the Pope in His mission. On June 28 – the Sunday before the liturgical feast of Saints Peter and Paul – the traditional Peter's Pence collection takes place. This is a concrete way to support the Holy Father in his mission of service to the universal Church. Donating to Peter's Pence is a concrete gesture of communion with the Holy Father and of solidarity with his mission to bring the Gospel throughout the world. To support this initiative, the Secretariat for the Economy and the Dicastery for Communication of the Holy See have prepared informational and multimedia materials to illustrate its significance. On the official website [ObolodiSanPietro.va](http://ObolodiSanPietro.va), it is possible to:

- View or download the official video, available in several languages
- Download the brochure and poster, available in several languages
- Make a donation through secure digital channels

As every year, every offering – large or small – will support the Holy Father in his ministry and in his charitable activities in response to emergencies and needs around the world.

### **RCIA 2026**

Our next Catholic Class for anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church starts in September at Fr Carroll Centre. If you know of anyone who wants to learn about becoming members of the church please pass their details to Fr Francis, Fr Morgan or Louise Hodges

### **CATECHISIS CLASSES**

Would you like to learn more about specific areas of the life of the Church and Clergy. Please contact Father Francis or Father Morgan who would be happy to receive your suggestions.

### **CATECHISIM – SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Father Morgan will be speaking on the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Aloysius hall on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 7.00pm

### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>Event</b>
4 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Our Lady of the Angels, Cwmbran	International Accompaniment Day – East One day Course further in formation available on poster at back of church
8 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	St Aloysius Church Hall	A lecture on the Sacrament of Reconciliation at 7.00pm given by Father Morgan
10 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	St Illtyd's School	St Illtyd's 180 Yrs Celebration – Parish BBQ – all welcome. To start at 1.00pm donations of cakes would be appreciated.
23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	St Illtyd's Church	180 Years Celebration Mass with Archbishop Mark. 7.00 pm. All welcome. Refreshments available after Mass.
5- 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2026	Emmanuel Events -Summer Camp	Summer camp for Secondary school pupils cost £275.00. Further information on poster at back of church.