

**29th June 2025**

**Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles (Year C)**

**THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MERTHYR TYDFIL**

*Worshipping together*

St Aloysius, Chestnut Way, Gurnos, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 9SB  
St Illtyd's, Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 3BT

St Benedict's, Merthyr Vale CF48 4RF

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> Their sound goes forth through all the earth.	<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b> Alleluia! Alleluia! Lord you know everything, you know that I love you. 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 28<sup>th</sup> June**

**4.30 pm** St Benedict's  
(Anniv);

**6.30 pm** St Aloysius

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

**9.30 am** St Illtyd's

**11.30 am** St Mary's

Rev. Fr. Martin Williams (Anniv of Ordination); Anna and Frank Spinnetti; Bernard Delaney; Nancy and Louis Connolly; Mrs D Humphreys;

**Vigil – Sts Peters and Paul, Apostles**

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Anna and Frank Spinnetti; Michael Crotty

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan;

**Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles**

Nan and Andrew Donovan; Lorraine Sweet;

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

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June**

**10.00 am** St Illtyd's

Lillian O'Connell (Good Health);

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

**10.00 am** St Mary's

**NO MASS**

**11.30 am** St Mary's

**REQUIEM MASS – OLIVER McALEER**

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

**10.00 am** St Mary's

Fr. Edmund J Kelly;

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

**St Thomas, Apostle**

**10.00 am** St Mary's

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

**St Elizabeth of Portugal**

**10.00 am** St Illtyd's

People of the Parish

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

**4.30 pm** St Benedict's  
Flynn;

**Vigil – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time C**

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Michael Crotty (Anniv); Terry and Pat

**6.30 pm** St Aloysius  
Mahoney;

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan; Patricia Buckley; Dorothy

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

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

**9.30 am** St Illtyd's

Bridie Driscoll; Eileen Murphy; Gavin Fitton

**11.30 am** St Mary's

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

Bess, Cliff and Carl Preece; Clive and Jason Watkins; Louise Hopkins;

**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;

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

**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 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

Numbers: 7,10,13,22 No Winner

Next draw 29th June £3375

**St Mary's Lottery 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

Numbers: 1, 14, 16, 17 No Winner

Next Draw 29<sup>th</sup>

### **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>.

### **ECUMENICAL AND INTER -RELIGIOUS PILGRIMAGE**

Join this year's Ecumenical and Interreligious Pilgrimage, hosted jointly by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia and the Church in Wales Diocese of Llandaff. The pilgrimage begins at 1:30pm on Thursday, 3 July 2025 at St Padarn's Institute with reflections from Archbishop Mark and Bishop Mary Stallard (Bishop of Llandaff), followed by a walk to St Teilo's Well and Llandaff Cathedral before crossing the River Taff to Bute Park and on to St David's Cathedral for a liturgy of prayer and reaffirmation of Baptism, with refreshments to follow, concluding around 5pm. A wonderful opportunity for different faith traditions to journey together, bearing witness to God's love.

### **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 Mass 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

### **VOLUNTEER KNITTERS**

A big thank you to all knitters who continue to provide for Stella Maris and Prince Charles Hospital. A total of 42 hats and 58 scarves were delivered to the ship volunteer of Stella Maris Also, the knitted baby items for the youngest patients at Prince Charles Hospital. New knitters are very welcome. Details from Pat O'Keefe.

### **CANCER RESEARCH WALES**

Thank you for the large bag of used postage stamps donated by our parishioners.