

5th October 2025

Twenty Seventh 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 Mary's, Pontmorlais West, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8RG

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

Parish Priest: CANON BARRY ENGLISH , FATHER FRANCIS ONU.

Deacon: Rev. GARTH TASKER 07939 310176

Response to the Psalm: O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts'.		Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! The word of the Lord remains for ever and this word is the good news that was preached to you. Alleluia.	Website: www.merthyrcc.co.uk Email: merthyr@rcadc.org Tel: 01685 723336
Saturday 4th October		Vigil – Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C	
4.30pm	St Benedict's	Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee;	
6.30pm	St Aloysius	Bernard & Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan; Patricia Buckley;	
Sunday 5th October		Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C	
9.30 am	St Illtyd's	John Davies; Gavin Fitton; Bernard Moran (Anniv); Peter and Mima Walsh; Kathleen McCarthy; Antony, Phillip and Stephen Tomsett;	
11.30am	St Mary's	Ron Morgan. Bernard McCormack, Paul and Stuart Bartz; Deacon David O'Keefe; Michael Hurley; Victor Jones; Louise Hopkins, Cliff, Bess and Carl Preece; Clive and Jason Watkins; Mirian Mathae (Anniv); Claire, Con and Terry O'Keefe; Giuse (RIP); Pat O' Brien (Belated B'Day);	
Monday 6th October		St Bruno , Priest	
10.00am	St Mary's	John Harney (Anniv);	
Tuesday 7th October		Our Lady of the Rosary	
10.00am	St Mary's	Fr. Francis Cashman;	
Wednesday 8th October			
10.00am	St Mary's	Fr. Seamus Cunnane;	
Thursday 9th October		St John Henry Newman, Priest	
10.00 am	St Mary's	Fr. John Mullin	
Friday 10th October			
10.00am	St Mary's	Fr, Seamus O'Higgins;	
12.00	St Mary's	FUNERAL SERVICE – IRENE PATRICIA JONES	
Saturday 11th October		Vigil – Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)	
4.30pm	St Benedict's	Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee;	
6.30pm	St Aloysius	Bernard & Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan; Patricia Buckley;Joan and Dinny O'Leary;	
Sunday 12th October		Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)	
9.30am	St Illtyd's	Julian Amos; # ;	
11.30am	St Mary's	Ron Morgan. Bernard McCormack, Paul and Stuart Bartz; Deacon David O'Keefe; Michael Hurley; Victor Jones; Miriam Mathae (Anniv); Roy Davies; Pat O'Brien (Belated B'Day);Giuse; Rae Maria Fryzer (Anniv); Stephen Fryzer;	

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; Josie Egan, Sylvia Williams, Jimmy Llewellyn; Ann Evans; Maria Evans; Ann Watkins; Mary Wade; Marlene Chambers; Phillip James; Gerald Harrington. Dennis Preece; Ann Gittoes;

Requiescat in pace:Deacon David O'Keefe; Victor (Vic) Jones; Kathleen McCarthy; Julie May Thomas; Colin Alexander; Susan Davies; Annelife Elli Zbrzyzna; Fr. John Hughes,SSC; Jackie Lee; Fr.Liam Shore; Lisa Morgan Jones;Irene Patricia Jones;

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

COLLECTION ON 4TH/ 5TH OCTOBER – CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

St Illtyd's Lottery 28 th September	St Mary's Lottery 28 th September
Numbers : 3, 7, 14, 16 No Winner	Numbers; 2, 5, 8, 10 No Winner
Next Draw: 5 th October £4,350	Next Draw: 5 th October £4600

CANON BARRY

I will be taking up my appointment at Port Talbot on Saturday 25th / Sunday 26th October. Father Francis Onu will become Priest in charge on Friday 24th October. I would like to thank everyone for their kindness, support and prayers over the past 12 years, in which we have achieved a great deal.

It has been a privilege to serve the individual communities of the Parish of Merthyr. You will be close to my heart and in my prayers. (Canon Barry)

RCIA

The meeting on 15 October about Jubilee in Scripture has been cancelled because of lack of interest. Instead our RCIA Course for those interested in joining the Catholic Church, or for anyone who wants to deepen their knowledge and understanding of their faith will be held. Meetings will be at Fr Carroll Centre commencing on Wednesday 15th October at 7.00pm. Come along and renew your relationship with Our Lord and His Church.

PARISHES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday 23rd October. Please add this date to your diary

HOME VISITS (All Churches)

We will be starting home visits to our parishioners who are unable to attend church due to illness. This will also give an opportunity to receive the sacrament of Confession and the Sacrament of the Eucharist if they wish. Home visits will be available for people of all four churches and we would ask that if you know of any one who would like a visit, please contact Father Francis.

FOOD BANK

Thank you for your continued support of the Food Bank. There is a collection box at St Illtyd's and St Mary's where you can donate food or non perishable goods. The food bank are looking for the following items;-Tinned carrots, tinned meat, tinned fruit, tinned soup, tinned tomato, tinned rice pudding, long life milk, long life fruit juice, jams, mashed potato, cooking sauces, pot noodles. Also, with Christmas coming please consider chocolates, biscuits etc .