

**THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF MERTHYR TYDFIL***Worshipping together*Website – [www.merthyrrc.co.uk](http://www.merthyrrc.co.uk)St Aloysius, Chestnut Way, Gurnos, Merthyr Tydfil CF47 9SB  
St Illtyd's, Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 3BTSt Benedict's, Merthyr Vale CF48 4RF  
St Mary's Pontmorlais West, Merthyr Tydfil Cf47 8RG**Parish Priest:** CANON BARRY ENGLISH 01685 723336 Email – [merthyr@rcadc.org](mailto:merthyr@rcadc.org)**Deacons:** Rev. DAVID O'KEEFE 01685 375761 Rev. GARTH TASKER 07939 310176**Response to the Psalm:****Gospel Acclamation :****O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures  
forever****Alleluia! Alleluia!****May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes  
of our mind. So that we can see what hope his call holds for us.****Alleluia!****Saturday 22nd June****4.30 pm St Benedict's****6.30 pm St Aloysius****Sunday 23rd June****9.30 am St Illtyd's****11.30 am St Mary's**

Louise Hopkins; Jenny (Jen) Aclan Olivas;

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June****10.00 am St Mary's****Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June****10.00 am School Mass****Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June****10.00 am St Mary's****Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June****9.00 am St Mary's**

5.00 pm St Mary's

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June****10.00 am School Mass****Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June****4.30 pm St Benedict's****6.30 pm St Aloysius****Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June****9.30 am St Illtyd's****11.30 am St Mary's****Please remember in your prayers:** Peggy Vaughan, Tony Crawford, Oliver McAleer, Nicholas Santos, Beryl & David Keefe, Ed Rees, Margaret Banfield, Steven Denton Thomas, Teresa Jones, Lisa Morgan Jones, Thomas Fitton, Mark Esposito, Eileen Robinson, Jimmy Mullins, David Lewis; Bernard O'Donaghue; Peggy Owens;**Requiescat in pace:** Tom Bannon; Jeffrey Allan; James Dennis O'Neill; Rachael Rudge; David Owens; Mary Hagerty; Stewart Bartz; Eric Jones; Jenny (Jen) Aclan/Olivas; Mansell Williams;

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

**St Illtyd's Lottery 16th June**

Numbers ; 14, 15, 17, 19

No Winner

Next Draw : 23<sup>rd</sup> June £ 2000**St Mary's Lottery 16th June**

Numbers : 1, 10, 13, 16

No Winner

LuckyDip;

Next Draw; 23<sup>rd</sup> June £1250**Parish Council**

The Parish Council meets regularly to assist Canon in the running of all four parishes. Minutes of the Council meetings will be posted on the Parish website and hard copies placed at the back of all four Churches.

## **RCIA**

RCIA will continue to take place at St Mary's on Thursday's at 7.00pm.

## **The New Lectionary.**

The Lectionary, the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The process began with the Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued with all the other liturgical texts. The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, to reflect current biblical scholarship and provide a more proclaimable text. The new Lectionary will be mandatory from Advent 2024 for all Catholic Churches and Mass centres. Would you like to donate towards the cost of these new books in memory of a loved one? The cost to our churches for the Lectionary is £695 and £275 for the Book of the Gospels.

## **Parish WhatsApp Group**

We are establishing a Parish WhatsApp group. This will enable us to update parishioners quickly when needed. This can be a very helpful tool. Please see the link on our website, look out for QR codes at the back of our Churches or ask "tech savvy" parishioners to assist. It's easy!

## **Calling Electricians!- PAT Testing of Electrical Appliances**

The electrical appliances in our Churches, such as cleaners and extension leads, need to be tested regularly to ensure that they are safe. These tests are usually conducted by electricians. Are you or any members of your family able to do PAT testing? If so please get in touch. It will take an hour or so at St Mary's and St Illtyd's and about half hour each at St Aloysius and St Benedict's. Please help if you can.

## **Summer Youth Retreat**

Cardiff Menevia Youth invite you to a Summer Youth Retreat to be held Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024. We will stay at St David's Bunk Barns in the Pembrokeshire National Park, which are a short walk from a beach and the City of St David's. The cost is £250.00 inclusive of meals and coach. This event is open to ages 9-13 or ages 14 – 18. Please contact either Canon Barry, Deacon Christian Mahoney 07764515864 or email [youth@rcadc.org](mailto:youth@rcadc.org).

## **Breathe Easy Group**

We hope to establish a support group at the Fr Carroll Centre for those living with Asthma or a Lung condition. With the help of Asthma+Lung UK we will offer a regular meeting place and information for those who live with or care for someone with a lung condition. The group will meet each month and hopefully there will be regular input from local health professionals and online sessions offered by Asthma+Lung UK. If you are interested in joining this group or even helping to run it, please contact Deacon Garth.

## **PRAYER FOR UKRAINE AND THE WORLD**

Mary, Our Lady of Kyiv, Mother of God, we ask you to intercede for the people of Ukraine and the World, for their governments, and all who suffer because of war. Be with them as you stood beside your Son, Suffering on the Cross at Calvary. Give them strength and courage through faith, hope and justice. May we, in our turn, support them through prayer and generosity that human lives may be saved, that the injured may be healed that the dead may rest in peace, that there will be peace after war. AMEN