THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF MERTHYR TYDFIL

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St Benedict's. Merthyr Vale CF48 4RF

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

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

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Response to the Psalm:

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Gospel Acclamation:

The Lord gave them bread from heaven

Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; No one can come to the Father except through me.

Saturday 3rd August Vigil - Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

4.30 pm Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; St Benedict's 6.30 pm Bernard and Mary Corcoran; **St Aloysius**

Sunday 4th August **Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

9.30 am St Illtyd's Gavin Fitton; Mrs E Brogden and Family (Cronin); Dominic Mahoney (B'Day); Michael Hurley; Bernard McCormack; Ron Morgan; Cliff, Bess and Carl Preece, 11.30 am St Mary's Louise Hopkins; Mary and George Worsfold; Eileen Davies; Clive and Jason Watkins; Reginald Bevan; Brian Bodger (Get

well soon); Stuart Bartz; Royston Lamb;

Monday 5th August The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary

10.00 am St Mary's Mayo, Ron and Stephen Fealey; Mary and Ernest Galleozzie;

Tuesday 6th August The Transfiguration of the Lord

9.00 am St Mary's

FUNERAL SERVICE MARK EPOSITO 11.30 am Llwydcoed Crem.

2.00 pm St Aloysius FUNERAL SERVICE ELIZABETH GIBBS(Betty)

Priests Intentions

Wednesday 7th August St Cajetan, Priest

9.00 am St Mary's Anthoiny Daly's good Health and his families intention

Thursday 8th August St Dominic, Priest 9.00 am Noral Scannell: St Mary's

Friday 9th August St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Martyr, Patron of Europe

9.00 am St Mary's People of the Parish

Saturday 10th August Vigil – Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time(B)

4.30 pm St Benedict's Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee;

6.30 pm **St Alovsius** Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Joan And Dinny O'Leary; Stuart Bartz

Sunday 11th August **Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)** 9.30 am St Illtyd's Michael Moran; Nora Scannell; Jen Aclan-Olivas;

Michael Hurley: Bernard McCormack: Ron Morgan: Mark Eposito: Rita Daly: 11.30 am St Marv's

Roberta Gill:

Please remember in your prayers: Peggy Vaughan, Tony Crawford, Oliver McAleer, Beryl & David Keefe, , Steven Denton Thomas, Teresa Jones, Lisa Morgan Jones, Eileen Robinson, David Lewis; Bernard O'Donaghue; Veronica Rowlands; Paula Williams; Linda Sproles;

Requiescat in pace: Rita Bayliss; Stuart Bartz; Mark Eposito; Elizabeth Gibbs.; Margaret Banfield.

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

St Illtyd's Lottery 28th July

Numbers; 6, 8, 18, 19

No Winner

Next Draw: 4th August £ 2125

St Mary's Lottery 28th July

Numbers; 1, 11, 17, 21

No Winner

LuckyDip; Terry Foley, Ian Lewis

Next Draw; 4th August £1550

HCPT Group 102 Fundraising Ball

HCPT Group 102 are holding a fundraising ball to raise funds for their 2025 pilgrimage to Lourdes. Saturday 19th October, 7pm, Pentrebach Cricket Club. Tickets are £45 each with a £10 deposit required to book & include a 3 course meal, arrival drink & entertainment. Please contact Caitlin on group102@hcpt.org.uk or via whastapp on 07404040394 to book your tickets. Get your glad rags on & help us raise funds for this amazing cause!

Mass in Welsh

Each year, Mass in Welsh is celebrated at the location of the National Eisteddfod. All are invited to be present, at St Dyfrig's Church, Broadway, Trefforest, CF37 1DB on Thursday, 8th August, at 18.00. Light refreshment after the celebration, to which you are warmly invited to join us. There shall be bilingual booklets available. Bishop Emeritus Edwin Regan, Wrexham, will be the chief celebrant; Rev. Fr Gildas Parry, *O.Præm*. will be the preacher. Eisteddfod-goers from all parts of Wales and beyond will join with parishioners and guests for the celebration.

Yn fynyddol, mae'r Offeren Gymraeg yn cael ei dathlu yn lleoliad yr Eisteddfod Genedlaethol. Estynnwn groeso i chi ymuno yn Eglwys Sant Dyfrig, Broadway, Trefforest, CF37 1DB ar nos Iau, 8fed Awst, am 18.00. Bydd lluniaeth ysgafn ar ôl yr Offeren; mae croeso cynnes i chi ymuno â ni. Bydd llyfrynnau dwyieithog ar gael.

Y brif-weinydd bydd yr Esgob Emeritws Edwin Regan, Wrexham; Y Parch. Tad Gildas Parry, *O. Præm.* fydd y pregethwr. Bydd Eisteddfodwyr o bob rhan o Gymru a thu hwnt yn ymuno â phlwyfolion a gwesteion ar gyfer y dathliad.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE

Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary? Or at a significant stage in your marriage, e.g. new baby, illness, empty nesters, retirement, bereavement etc... *The Archdiocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage* is being celebrated for **ALL** married (and engaged) couples in *St David's Cathedral on Saturday 5th October at 12 noon*, and you are all invited; the widowed are also invited and will be included in the prayers of intercession.

You might also consider having your anniversary date included in the Mass booklet and share photographs to form part of a reflective presentation. For more details, to share information and to express your wish to attend, please contact Joanne White via flc@rcadc.org; you can still be included even if you are unable to attend in person as the Mass will be livestreamed via the Cathedral website.

Volunteers Wanted

Did you know that volunteering is good for your health? It's proven that helping others improves your mental health and is also good for your gut health. There are lots of opportunities to help your parish and improve your health too.

In September we'll have a new way to do this. Our local Council is helping us to improve the appearance of our garden by sorting the meadow and clearing the path. We have a bench donated by Keep Wales Tidy and plan to plant some fruit trees, all we need now is your help. Please contact Deacon Garth if you can help or if you'd like to donate a fruit tree in memory of a loved one.

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