

1st June 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter (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

Response to the Psalm: The Lord is king, most high above all the earth	Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! I will not leave you as says the Lord, I am going away and I will come to you, and your hearts will rejoice. Alleluia..	Website: www.merthyrcc.co.uk Email: merthyr@rcadc.org Tel: 01685 723336
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Saturday 31st May

4.30 pm St Benedict's

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Sunday 1st June

9.30 am St Illtyd'

11.30 am St Mary's

Louise Hopkins; Bess, Cliff and Carl Preece; Clive and Jason Watkins; Tim Baxter; Tom, Michael and Lynette Baxter;
Sarah and Paul Sapwell (Wedding Anniv);

Vigil- Seventh Sunday of Easter

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee;

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan;

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Kitty Walsh;

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

Monday 2nd June

10.00 am St Illtyd's

Tuesday 3rd June

10.00 am St Mary's

Wednesday 4th June

10.00 am St Mary's

Thursday 5th June

10.00 am St Mary's

Friday 6th June

9.00 am St Illtyd's

Saturday 7th June

4.30 pm St Benedict's

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Anne O'Sullivan; Mary and Michael Donegan;

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Buckley; Fr. William Boxhall;

Sts Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

Roy Bunce;

St Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

People of the Parish ;

John Mahoney;

St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

Fr. Mulvihille ;

St Norbert, Bishop

Michael and Bridget Gill;

Vigil- Pentecost Sunday

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan; Joan and Dinny O'Leary; Patricia

MASS TIME CHANGE

SUNDAY 8TH JUNE

9.00 am ST MARY'S

Ellen Parry;

11.00 am ST ILLTYD'S

Pentecost Sunday

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

Gavin Fitton; Jen Aclan-Olivas;

Please remember in your prayers: Peggy Vaughan, Tony Crawford, Oliver McAleer, 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 Martin Skelly, Roy Bunce; Margaret Cope; Reg Hill; Ellen Parry; Alan Duffield; Edward
Owen;

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.

St Illtyd's Lottery 25th May

Numbers: 3, 7, 23, 24 No Winner

Next draw 1st June £3250

BBC CONCERT

The BBC National Chorus of Wales is performing live at St. Mary's Church, Merthyr at 4.00 pm on Sunday 8th June, and it promises to be an event like no other.

As part of an exciting Community Partnership, the renowned choir will share the stage with four local primary schools: Gwaunfarren, Caedraw, St. Mary's, and Edwardsville. We have been informed that all tickets have been sold.

EE VOLUNTEERS WORK ON GARDEN

We are thankful for the support of 2 teams of volunteers from EE who swapped their PCs and headsets for trowels, spades and gardening gloves to work their shifts under the close supervision of Manus to help tidy up the grounds at St Mary's .

The statue of Our Lady has been cleaned beautifully and countless bags of garden waste have been removed. A third team are all set to continue the work on 9th June to help keep the spectacular gardens look pristine.

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.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS

We have many others in our parishes who provide great service which is often unseen. We are grateful to them all. The works undertaken include Cleaners, Gardeners, Eucharistic Ministers, Choirists, Organists, Collection Counters, Newsletter compilers, Piety Stall operators, Fund raisers, Financial organisers, door keepers, Mass intention compilers, Altar Servers, Readers and School Governors.

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.

PARISH COUNCIL

Thank you very much for your nominations to serve on the Parish Council. We are blessed with the people who have come forward to serve us. In addition to Canon Barry and four Deacons the following are now actively involved:

Allen Paul, John Strand, Mary Lynne Lewis, Wendy Fryzer, Louise Hodges, Nicola Evans, Phillippa Jones, Dr Chris Wilkinson, Kevin Bodger, Susan Allen, Carol Lherondel Davies, Jayne Shankland, Celso 'Don' Padua, Mark Moran, Anne-Marie Lloyd, Anthony O'Sullivan.

We will hold an Annual General Meeting in the Autumn where you will be fully updated.

CATHOLIC HERALD

There are a number of copies of the Catholic Herald available at our Churches. It is a special addition featuring the death of Pope Francis.

STELLA MARIS (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea)

All parishioners are warmly invited to an online webinar being run by Stella Maris on Thursday 19th June from 7:30pm to 9pm. You will hear about the work that Stella Maris has been doing with seafarers and fishers over the past year or so, including the use of the funds kindly donated on Sea Sunday last year. To attend this webinar, please sign up at: www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyouwebinar.

St Mary's Lottery 25th May

Numbers: 2, 7, 11, 21 No Winner

Lucky Dip;

Next Draw 1st June £3700

We will have a Stella Maris Appeal on weekend of 12/13th July.