

20<sup>th</sup> April 2025

EASTER SUNDAY (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 Illtyd's, Dowlais, Merthyr Tydfil CF48 3BT

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

*He is  
Risen.  
Alleluia*



**Response to the Psalm:**  
This is the day the Lord  
has made; let us rejoice in  
it and be glad.

**Gospel Acclamation:**  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Christ, our Passover lamb, has been  
sacrificed; let us therefore celebrate the  
festival in the Lord  
Alleluia..

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**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

**8.00 pm** St Aloysius  
Mullan;

**Easter Sunday Vigil Mass and the Blessing of Bread**

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

**9.00 am** St Illtyd'

**Easter Sunday**

Maria Davies (Anniv); Patricia Williams (Lee); Margaret, Bryan and Nicola Gillespie; Ian Murphy; Teresa Collins; Faye Wallen; Anthony and Phillip Tomsett; Kathleen Jones; Teresa Sheehan; The Sullivan Family; Nora Scannell; Maurice Nelson; Betty and Gus Cronin and Family; In Honour of the Sacred Heart;

**11.00 am** St Mary's

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

Louise Hopkins; Joan and Dinny O'Leary; Rae Maria Fryzer (B'Day); Stephen Fryzer; Jimmy and Muriel Higgins; Patrick and Pat O'Brien; Ann Saunders; Nancy and Louos Connolly; Evan Kinsey;

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

**11.00 am** St Illtyd's

Thanksgiving;

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**

**10.00 am** St Mary's

Fr, Richard Byron;

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

**10.00 am** St Mary's

Fr. Ivor Daniel;

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

**10.00 am** St Mary's

Fr, Stanley Luff;

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

**10.00 pm** St Mary's

People of the Parish

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

**4.30 pm** St Benedict's

**Vigil- Second Sunday of Eastertide (Divine Mercy Sunday)**

**6.30 pm** St Aloysius

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Michael and Mary Donegan;

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

**9.30 am** St Illtyd'

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan; Patricia Buckley

**11.30 am** St Mary's

**Second Sunday of Eastertide (Divine Mercy Sunday)**

Doreen David and Howard Morgan; Provini Family; The Cotteral Family;

**3.00 pm** St Mary's

Ann Morgan; Antoinette Ebuentga; Maria Gaabucayan;

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

Exposition, Benediction and Confession

**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;

**Requiescat in pace:** Mary Patricia Butler; Ann Morgan; Martin Mulry; Adrienne Kathleen Murphy; Patricia Walker; Morgan Chambers; Phillip Dodson; Maureen Llewellyn;

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

**St Illtyd's Lottery 13<sup>th</sup> April**

Numbers: 5, 14, 16, 20 No Winner

Next draw 20<sup>th</sup> April £3100

**St Mary's Lottery 13<sup>th</sup> April**

Numbers: 7, 10, 13, 24 No Winner

Lucky Dip: Peter Shankland, Barry O'Brien, Joanne Crossdale, Theresa Bell

Next Draw 20<sup>th</sup> April £3400

**EASTER SUNDAY**

Today throughout the world, the Church's proclamation resounds; "Jesus, who was crucified, has risen, as he said. Alleluia!. The crucified Jesus, none other, has risen from the dead. God the Father raised Jesus, his Son, because he fully accomplished his saving will. Jesus took upon himself our weakness, our infirmities, even our death. He endured our sufferings and bore the weight of our sins. Because of this, God the Father exalted him and now Jesus Christ lives forever; he is the Lord. The witnesses report an important detail: the risen Jesus bears the marks of the wounds in his hands, feet and side. These wounds are the everlasting seal of his love for us. All those who experience a painful trial in body or spirit can find refuge in these wounds and, through them, receive the grace of the hope that does not disappoint. (Pope Francis)

**EASTER OFFERING TO THE CLERGY**

Envelopes are available at the back of the church to use next week on Easter Sunday. The envelopes are white and have "**Roman Catholic Churches of Merthyr Tydfil**" printed on the front. If you are a taxpayer you can **gift aid** your donation, by putting your name, house/name and post code on the front of the envelope, enabling the parish to claim a tax rebate from the Government.

**ST MARY'S GIFT AID ENVELOPES**

Envelopes for the new year, starting next week 6 April, are available at the back of church. Please discard any envelopes left over from the past year. If you would like to contribute using envelopes enabling the parish to claim tax back from the government please text or ring John Strand on 079496 23722.

**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).

**THANK YOU**

Canon Barry would like to say a **BIG** thank you to everyone who has been involved with the preparation for Easter

**CANON BARRY ENGLISH , DEACON GARETH TASKER AND DEACON DAVE O'KEEFE, WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY AND HOLY EASTER**