

13th April 2025

PALM 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

Response to the Psalm: My God, My God, why have you forsaken me.	Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory. Christ became for us obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name. Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.	Website: www.merthyrcc.co.uk Email: merthyr@rcadc.org Tel: 01685 723336
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Saturday 12th April

4.30 pm St Benedict's

(Anniv); Stephen Fryzer;

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Sunday 13th April

9.30 am St Illtyd's

Nigel Scrivens; John Price (B'day); Martin Mulry (RIP);

11.30 am St Mary's

John and Nancy Donovan;; Stephen Donovan; Royston Lamb; Constance (Connie) and William Casey (Anniv);

Vigil :Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (C)

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Seamus Carroll (Wexford); Nora Hill

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan; Patricia Buckley;

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (Year C)

Maria Davies (B'day); Jennifer Handy; Gavin Fitton; Mary and Bertie Ward;

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

Monday 14th April

10.00 am St Illtyd's

Maria Lopes; Francisco Amaral;

Tuesday 15th April

10.00 am St Mary's

Wednesday 16th April

12.30 pm St Illtyd's

Thursday 17th April

7.00 pm St Benedict's

NO MASS

REQUIEM MASS – SHEILA ANN MORGAN

Maundy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Jack and Dolores John; Christopher Kennedy; Andrew Bailey; Tony Campbell

(B'day)

Friday 18th April

3.00 pm St Mary's

7.00 pm St Illtyd's

Good Friday

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Stations of the Cross

Saturday 19th April

8.00pm St Aloysius

Lee;

Sunday 20th April

8.00 am St Mary's

9.00 am St Illtyd's

Gillespie; Ian Murphy; Teresa Collins; Faye Wallen; Anthony and Phillip Tomsett; Kathleen Jones; Teresa Sheehan; The Sullivan Family; Nora Scannell; Maurice Nelson;

11.00 am St Mary's

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

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.

Easter Sunday

Polish Easter Mass

Maria Davies (Anniv); Patricia Williams (Lee); Margaret, Bryan and Nicola

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

Requiescat in pace: Mary Patricia Butler; Ann Morgan; Martin Mulry; Kevin McSweeney; Jim Mullan ;Adrienne Kathleen Murphy; Patricia Walker; Morgan Chambers

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

St Illtyd's Lottery 6th April

Numbers: 1, 7, 11, 16. No Winner

Next draw 13th April £3075

St Mary's Lottery 6th April

Numbers: 2, 5, 10, 11 No Winner

Lucky Dip: Peter Shankland

Next Draw 13th April £3350

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

In the Palm Sunday procession we join with the crowd of disciples who in festive joy accompany the Lord during his entry into Jerusalem. Like them, we praise the Lord with a loud voice for all the miracles we have seen. Yes, we too have seen and still see today the wonders of Christ: how he brings men and women to renounce the comforts of their lives and devote themselves totally to the service of the suffering; how he gives men and women the courage to oppose violence and deceit, to make room for truth in the world; how, in secret, he persuades men and women to do good to others, to bring about reconciliation where there had been hatred and to create peace where enmity had reigned. (Pope Benedict XVI)

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.

EASTER MASS TIMES

THURSDAY 17th APRIL - MAUNDY THURSDAY

ST BENEDICT'S 7.00 PM – Mass of the Lord's Supper

FRIDAY 18th APRIL – GOOD FRIDAY

ST MARY'S 3.00 PM – Celebration of the Lord's Passion

ST ILLTYD'S 7.00 PM - Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY 19th APRIL - EASTER VIGIL

ST ALOYSIUS 8.00 PM - EASTER SUNDAY VIGIL MASS AND BLESSING OF BREAD

SUNDAY 20th APRIL – EASTER SUNDAY

ST MARY'S 8.00 AM Polish Easter Mass

ST ILLTYD'S 9.00 AM

ST MARY'S 11.00 AM