

18th May 2025

Fifth Sunday of Easter (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: I will bless your name for ever, my God and King.	Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. Alleluia..	Website: www.merthyrcc.co.uk Email: merthyr@rcadc.org Tel: 01685 723336
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Saturday 17th May

4.30 pm St Benedict's

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Sunday 18th May

9.30 am St Illtyd'

11.30 am St Mary's

Albert Rowlands (RIP Anniv); Pat O'Brien (Belated 1st Anniv); Louise Hopkins (B'Day Memories)

Vigil- Fifth Sunday of Easter

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee;

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Margaret Ann, Patrick and Michael Veale; Mima and Peter Walsh;

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

Monday 19th May

10.00 am St Illtyd's

Tuesday 20th May

10.00 am St Mary's

Wednesday 21st May

10.00 am St Mary's

Thursday 22nd May

10.00 am St Mary's

Friday 23rd May

9.00 am St Illtyd's

11.45 am ST Illtyd's

Saturday 24th May

4.30 pm St Benedict's

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Patricia Buckley;

Sunday 25th May

9.30 am St Illtyd'

Marjorie Moran (B'Day); Claire Price (B'Day)

11.30 am St Mary's

Maureen Llewellyn (RIP, 55th Wedding Anniv);

Peter and Mima Walsh;

St Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Canon John Rohan (Anniv);

St Christopher Magallanes & Companions, Martyrs

Queenie Cowhig;

St Rita of Cascia,

Fr. Charles Wall (Anniv);

Roy Henry Bunce;

FUNERAL SERVICE – MARTIN SKELLY

Vigil- Sixth Sunday of Easter

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Catherine John;

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Jimmy Mullan; Paul and Mabel Szyndra (RIP);

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Canon Francis Moran; Theresa and Daniel Sullivan; Phillip Tomsett (Anniv);

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; Alan Duffield;

Requiescat in pace Morgan Chambers; Phillip Dodson; Maureen Llewellyn; Martin Skelly, Roy Bunce; Margaret Cope; Reg Hill;

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 11th May

Numbers: 1, 13, 20, 24 No Winner

Next draw 18th May £3200

St Mary's Lottery 11th May

Numbers: 6, 16, 17, 18, No Winner

Lucky Dip; Karina Dunrigan

Next Draw 18th May £3600

BBC CONCERT

This summer, enjoy a magical afternoon of live music that will stir your soul and fill your heart with joy! 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. This is an opportunity to see local talent shine alongside world-class performers, creating an unforgettable atmosphere of unity and celebration. The programme of music is sure to captivate you, with a beautiful mix of timeless classics and thrilling new compositions.

Don't miss out on this unforgettable experience for everyone! Whether you're a music lover, a local supporter, or simply looking for a beautiful way to spend your afternoon, this concert is for you.

Get your tickets today. Tickets are available online from the Wales Millennium Centre Website, support local talent, and enjoy a performance that will stay with you long after the last note fades.

MASS CHANGE

Due to the BBC Concert on Sunday 8th June, there will be Mass changes as follows:-

MASSSES WILL BE AT 9.00 am ST MARY'S and 11.00 am ST ILLTYD'S

THE LATE PETER HILL OF TYLLWYD STREET PENYDARREN

"I am trying to trace relatives of a Peter Hill of 16 Tyllwyd Street, Penydarren, who died 1976. He was an active member at St Illtyd's and well-known as a pianist. Some of his children's names known to me are John, Peter & Michael; Sybil, Sheila & Ann. I would be grateful from any relatives. He was my grandfather's younger brother.

Please contact Kieran Hill (email: kieranh500@gmail.com) Tel: 07814 716080

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion cards are available in the piety shop.

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - MISSIONARY OF CHARITIES

Congratulations to the children who have taken their First Holy Communion.