

22nd June 2025 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) (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: You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.	Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the living bread tht cam down from heaven, says the Lord. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. Alleluia..	Website: www.merthyrcc.co.uk Email: merthyr@rcadc.org Tel: 01685 723336
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Saturday 21st June

4.30 pm St Benedict's

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Donovan;

Vigil : The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) (C)

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee;

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Edward Kaler (B'Day); Jimmy Mullan; Anne

Sunday 22nd June

9.30 am St Illtyd's

11.30 am St Mary's

Carmel English; Theresa and Robert Sullivan (Anniv); Elphege and Elizabeth Hurley; Audrey and Selwyn Morgan;

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) (Year C)

Betty and Tom Summers; Irene Bidding;

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

Monday 23rd June

10.00 am St Illtyd's

Tuesday 24^h June

10.00 am St Mary's

10.45 am St Illtyd's

Wednesday 25th June

10.00 am St Mary's

11.30 am St Illtyd's

Thursday 26th June

10.00 am St Mary's

Friday 27th June

10.00 am St Illtyd's

6.00 pm St Illtyd's

People of the Parish

Birth of ST John the Baptist

NO MASS

REQUIEM MASS – ALAN DUFFIELD

NO MASS

REQUIEM MASS – DOROTHY MAHONEY

Richard Hill ; Stephen Fryzer; Fr. Harding Rees;

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Canon Barry English ; Fr. Francis Slater;

Mass – Feast Day of our Mother of Perpetual Help

Saturday 28th June

4.30 pm St Benedict's

Spinnetti;

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Sunday 29th June

9.30 am St Illtyd's

11.30 am St Mary's

Rev. Fr. Martin Williams (Anniv of Ordination); Anna and Frank Spinnetti; Bernard Delaney; Nancy and Louis

Connolly; Mrs D Humphreys;

Please remember in your prayers: Peggy Vaughan, Tony Crawford, 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 Dorothy Mahoney; Alan Duffield; Jeff Williams; Oliver McAleer

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 15th June

Numbers: 1, 8, 15, 18 No Winner

Next draw 22nd June £3350

St Mary's Lottery 15th June

Numbers: 3, 7, 19, 22 No Winner

Lucky Dip; Giacomo Sidoli, Sarah Sapwell, Ellen O Malley James, Alison Jones

Next Draw 22nd June £3850

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS CATHOLIC SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

We are currently receiving applications for our primary campuses (St Aloysius, St Illtyd's and St Mary's). If you want a nurturing, caring and supportive environment for your child, please consider us. Contact us to arrange a visit, either via the central switchboard 01685 351870 or via email

office@bcacs.merthyr.sch.uk Application forms can be found on our website www.bcacs.merthyr.sch.uk

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.

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.

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.

THE 2025 NATIONAL JUBILEE WALKING PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE

The Pilgrimage of Hope is a national walking pilgrimage for England and Wales with four main Ways converging at the Cathedral of St Barnabas, Nottingham, on Saturday 13th September 2025, the eve of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. It is an initiative of the Hearts in Search of God project. The Ways start at the Catholic cathedrals in Cardiff, Leeds, Norwich and London and will bless our nations with a Sign of the Cross. The routes use established hiking routes and are off road as much as possible. A small group of 'perpetual pilgrims' will walk the full distance of each Way, with up to 20 day pilgrims joining for day stages.

It is now possible for pilgrims to register for day stages: <https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/become-a-pilgrim-for-a-day>.

FEAST DAY OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

June 27 is the feast day of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, who is known for miracles and answers to prayer. It is associated with a 15th-century Byzantine icon of the Madonna and Child. It is particularly well observed in the Philippines.

To celebrate this feast there will be an additional Mass at St Illtyd's at 6pm.

Refreshments will be served afterwards afterwards at the Fr Carroll Centre.

ECUMENICAL AND INTER -RELIGIOUS PILGRIMAGE

Join this year's Ecumenical and Interreligious Pilgrimage, hosted jointly by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Cardiff-Menevia and the Church in Wales Diocese of Llandaff. The pilgrimage begins at 1:30pm on Thursday, 3 July 2025 at St Padarn's Institute with reflections from Archbishop Mark and Bishop Mary Stallard (Bishop of Llandaff), followed by a walk to St Teilo's Well and Llandaff Cathedral before crossing the River Taff to Bute Park and on to St David's Cathedral for a liturgy of prayer and reaffirmation of Baptism, with refreshments to follow, concluding around 5pm. A wonderful opportunity for different faith traditions to journey together, bearing witness to God's love.

ST ILLTYD'S END OF PROJECT CELEBRATION MASS

On Saturday 19th July at 2.00 pm, His Grace Archbishop Mark will join us for a short thanksgiving mass, thanking everyone involved for their efforts. Following the Mass hot and cold refreshments will be available.

Donations of cakes, homemade or bought, will be gladly appreciated.