

16th February 2025

Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time (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: Blessed the Man who has placed his trust in the Lord.	Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! Rejoice, and leap for joy, says the Lord, for behold, your reward is great in heaven Alleluia!	Website: www.merthyrcc.co.uk Email: merthyr@rcadc.org Tel: 01685 723336
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Saturday 15th February

4.30 pm St Benedict's

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Sunday 16th February

9.30 am St Aloysius

11.30 am St Mary's

Monday 17th February

10.00 am St Mary's

Ernest Galleozzie;

Tuesday 18th February

10.00 am St Mary's

Wednesday 19th February

10.00 am St Mary's

Thursday 20th February

10.00 St Mary's

5.00 pm St Mary's

Friday 21st February

10.00 am St Mary's

12.00 St Mary's

Saturday 22nd February

4.30 pm St Benedict's

6.30 pm St Aloysius

(Anniv);

Sunday 23rd February

9.30 am St Aloysius

11.30 am St Mary's

Vigil : Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time (C)

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee; Bernard Donoghue

Bernard and Mary Corcoran;

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Maurice Nelson; James Handy; Tom Walsh;

Michael Hurley; Ron Morgan; Mary & Leonard Davies

The 7 Founders of the Order of Servites

Bernard McCormack (1st Anniv); Mayo, Ron and Stephen Fealey; Mary and

Mary Sweeney;

Doreen, David and Howard Morgan:

Stephen Fryzer (B'Day) ;

Syro Malabar Mass

St Peter Damia, Bishop, Doctor

Santo Antonio;

FUNERAL SERVICE SIAN LOUISE THOMAS

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Bill Hughes; Claire Price;

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Joan and Dinny O'Leary (Anniv); Edward Kaler

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Maurice Nelson; Tom Walsh;

Michael Hurley; Ron Morgan;

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; Stan Jones; Ann Evans; Maria Evans; Ann Watkins;

Requiescat in pace: Maurice Nelson; Kevin McSweeney; Myfida Illari; ; Mary Jones; Patricia James; Paulette Bridges; Tom Walsh; Josie Baldwin; Patricia Howells; David Edward Power; ; Patrick O'Brien; Sian Louise Tomos;

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

St Illtyd's Lottery 9th February

Numbers: 3, 14, 18, 20 No Winner

Next Draw 15th February £2875

St Mary's Lottery 9th February

Numbers: 5, 9, 15, 20 No Winner

Lucky Dip: Dot Reddy

Next Draw 15th February £2950

NOMINATIONS FOR PASTORAL AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

Please consider making Nominations for the Parish Pastoral and Finance Committees. Any nominee will need to agree to be put forward and will need a proposer and a seconder.

The Parish Finance Committee has been working well in supporting Canon since the summer of 2023. All current members of the Finance Committee have declared availability to continue.

However, the Pastoral Committee needs to be revitalised. It is this Committee which assists in enriching our Parish life and would benefit from committed individuals coming forward. Please give this important matter proper consideration.

Nomination forms and posting boxes will be available at the back of all our Churches.

SOUTH EAST WALES ORGANISTS' ASSOCIATION

On Tuesday the 18th of February at 7.00 pm . St Mary's hosts a visit from The South East Wales Organists' Association. They are coming to hear/see/play our new organ.

Chris, our organist is a long standing member of The Association and extended the invitation. Members of The Association are eagerly looking forward to the evening. Also present will be a few members of St George's Church (Anglican), Tredegar. They are looking to possibly replace their old and ailing pipe organ and are keen to see / hear our instrument.

An invitation is extended to any members of our churches who might be interested in attending. Refreshments are being provided by the kind ladies of St Mary's choir. Chris Wilkinson.

RETIRING COLLECTION - CANONISATION OF BLESSED CARLOS ACUTIS

The Holy Father has announced the Canonisation of Carlos Acutis at relatively short notice. It will take place on Sunday 27th April in Rome during the Church's Jubilee of Teenagers. Ten students from Merthyr Tydfil who attend Blessed Carlos Acutis School have been invited by the Holy Father for a once in a lifetime opportunity to be part of the Canonisation of Blessed Carlos Acutis.

Due to the relatively short notice the school has difficulty in raising funds to allow the students to attend. The school can cover half the cost but needs your help to raise the remainder for this stunning opportunity.

A retiring collection will be held at all of our Churches from Sunday 16th February for two weeks. Please support this worthy cause if you are able.

YEAR BOOKS AND NEW MISSALS

Diocesan Year Books for 2025 and New Sunday Missals are now available if you wish to purchase them.

QUIZ AND BINGO

On Friday 21st February at 7.00 pm at the Fr Carroll Centre we will be holding a quiz and bingo. All proceeds will be given to the sponsorship fund for the Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi by students from Blessed Carlo Acutis school .Please come and help the students make a once in a life time trip. Tickets priced at £2.00 are available from Deacon Garth.

ST ILLTYD'S PRESBYTERY

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Father Matthew Roach Saunders. Fr Matthew is the Vocations Director for Cardiff – Menevia Archdiocese. St Illtyd's will become the vocations Hub.

Please pray for Father Matthew and his Ministry and for vocations to the religious life and the Priesthood.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Darcie Faye George and Madison Jones who will be baptised next weekend.