

20th October 2024

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF MERTHYR TYDFIL

Worshipping together

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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

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Response to the Psalm:

May your love be upon us , O Lord,
As we place all our hope in you.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord
no one can come to the father except through me.
Alleluia!

Saturday 19th October

4.30 pm St Benedict's

6.30 pm St Aloysius
Family;

Sunday 20th October

9.30 am St Illtyd's

11.30 am St Mary's

and Grahame Vaughan; Robert and Theresa Sullivan (Anniv) God's wisdom, knowledge and protection; Margaret and David Jones ; Mike Dacey (Anniv); Health and Wellbeing Educational

Monday 21st October

8.00 am St Mary's

7.00pm St Benedicts

Tuesday 22nd October

10.00 am St Mary's

11.15 am St Mary's

Wednesday 23rd October

9.00 am St Mary's

Thursday 24th October

9.00 am St Mary's

6.45pm Holy Family

Friday 25th October

10.00 am St Mary's

11.00 am St Mary of the Angels

Saturday 26th October

4.30 pm St Benedict's

6.30 pm St Aloysius

Buckley;

Sunday 27th October

9.30 am St Illtyd's

11.30 am St Mary's

Please remember in your prayers: Peggy Vaughan, Tony Crawford, Oliver McAleer, Beryl & David Keefe, Steven Denton Thomas, Teresa Jones, Lisa Morgan Jones, Eileen Robinson, David Lewis; Bernard Donoghue; Veronica Rowlands; Paula Williams; Linda Sproles; Josie Egan, Sylvia Williams, Linda Percy, Deacon David O'Keefe;

Requiescat in pace: Faye Wallen;. Jonathan Bedford; Evan Kinsey; John Higgins; Mgr. John Maguire; Father Brian Cuddihy (Rosminian) Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. **May they Rest in Peace. Amen..**

COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND (19/20th) FOR WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

St Illtyd's Lottery 13th October

Numbers: 6, 13, 19, 21

No Winner.

Next Draw: 20th October £2450

St Mary's Lottery 13th October

Numbers: 5, 18, 19 24

No Winner:

Lucky Dip: Gethin Evans, Terry O'Keefe, Jacqueline Galdo

Next Draw; 20th October £2100

Vigil – Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time(B)

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee;

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Joan and Dinny O'Leary; Hugh McLaughlin; Coleman

Twenty Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) (World Mission Sunday)

Gerald Vaughan (Anniv); E J Padua; Maricris Padua; Celso Padua Snr;

Bernard McCormack; Ron Morgan; Michael Hurley; Davina and Michael Snell; Ceri

and Grahame Vaughan; Robert and Theresa Sullivan (Anniv) God's wisdom, knowledge and protection; Margaret and David Jones ; Mike Dacey (Anniv); Health and Wellbeing Educational

Monday 21st October

Hannah and Bernard Owens; Mary and Will Hughes;

Memorial Service – Aberfan Disaster

St John Paul 11, Pope

Ernie Lee (1st Anniv);

FUNERAL SERVICE – JOHN PATRICK HIGGINS

Wednesday 23rd October

Priests Intentions

St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

People of the Parish

FUNERAL MASS– MGR JOHN MAGUIRE

Friday 25th October

Denise and Terrence O'Neill

REQUIEM MASS – MGR. JOHN MAGUIRE

Vigil – Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time(B)

Bill Hughes; Claire Price; Pat Lee;

Bernard and Mary Corcoran; Gail and Michael Canniff (B'Day); Tim and Ada

Buckley;

Sunday 27th October

9.30 am St Illtyd's

11.30 am St Mary's

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time (B)(WORLD MISSION SUNDAY)

Sheila and Jim Morgan; Claire Price (Anniv);

Bernard McCormack; Ron Morgan; Michael Hurley; Evan Kinsey (RIP)

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BELMONT ABBEY BOOK SIGNING

On 26th October 2024 at 3pm Madeleine Carroll, well known children's author, will be at Belmont Abbey to talk about how her Christian Faith inspires her to write her books. She will also be signing copies of her books.

If you cannot be there in person but would like to reserve one of her titles (The Creator's Love Story; The Carpenter and the Cross; Beholding Beauty; Encounter at Emmaus; The Bethlehem Shepherds; When the stars Shone Bright: A Christmas Tale; She Pondered the Starlight: Mary's First Christmas; The Donkey's Journey and Ephraim's Gladness). Please email Fr James by 24th October on; jamesnorris2019@gmail.com indicating which title(s) you would like and any inscription you wish Madeleine to write in the book(s).

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE ST ILLTYD'S

Could you donate a prize for this year's Christmas raffle at St Illtyd's? A bottle of something, Chocolates, a meal at a local restaurant or a week in Benidorm perhaps? Seriously, anything would be appreciated. There is a list of suggestions on the welcome table.

ADMISSION APPLICATIONS FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Please note that the closing date for Admission Applications for Catholic Schools in Merthyr Tydfil is **20th December 2024.**

MSG. JOHN MAGUIRE – FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Reception of the body into **Holy Family, Fairwater on Thursday 24th October at 6.45pm**, followed by a Mass at 7pm.

Requiem Mass at **St Mary of the Angels, Canton, on Friday 25th October at 11am.**

TAKE ACTION ON THE TWO CHILD POLICY

'Behold the inheritance of the Lord are children: the reward, the fruit of the womb' Psalm 127: 3

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales continues to be seriously concerned about the implications of the current two-child policy on Universal Credit payments for vulnerable, larger families. Introduced in 2017, the policy has been undermining the financial security of families with three or more children. Such families often have no choice but to make claims for Universal Credit as a result of common, but unpredictable, life events, such as job loss or the onset of disability. The majority of families affected by the two-child policy are working families.

This is a matter of principle backed by Catholic Social Teaching. Take action: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/contact-mp-two-child-cap/>

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

Unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide Attempts are being made in parliament to legalise assisted suicide – so-called assisted dying. This would undermine the sanctity and dignity of human life. Further information can be obtained by the following link. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/>

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE AND THE WORLD

Mary, Our Lady of Kyiv, Mother of God, we ask you to intercede for the people of Ukraine and the World, for their governments, and all who suffer because of war. Be with them as you stood beside your Son, Suffering on the Cross at Calvary. Give them strength and courage through faith, hope and justice. May we, in our turn, support them through prayer and generosity that human lives may be saved, that the injured may be healed that the dead may rest in peace, that there will be peace after war AMEN