

Parish	Gift Aid	Collections for last Sunday			At Mass
		Loose	Levy	Total	
Immaculate Conception	£271.00	£110.82	£81.33	£463.15	110
All Saints	£245.30	£150.30	£111.81	£507.41	110
St. John's	£167.50	£20.10	£27.60	<u>£215.20</u>	<u>44</u>
				<u>£1185.76</u>	<u>264</u>

Priest Training fund: thank you for your kind response. All envelopes received will be sent to the Archdiocese this week.

**Parish Notices**

\* **Day for LIFE.** Today 27th July, we celebrate **Day for LIFE**. There will be a **retiring collection** to assist the work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other life-related activities supported by the Bishops' Conference of the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

\* **Rosary and Adoration Groups:** There will be no Rosary or Adoration during the month of August in Immaculate Conception Church. It will resume in September. Many Thanks.

\* **Welsh Pilgrimage** We send our best wishes and our prayers for our brothers and sisters travelling to Lourdes with the 'Welsh Pilgrimage' this week. May they send our parish intentions to Our Lady.

\* On Saturday **9<sup>th</sup> August** St John's will hold an **afternoon cream tea** in St John's Parish Hall. Tickets are now on sale: adults £5, children £2.50.

\* **Tredegar Parish shop:** please save all your 'goodies' for the shop which will be open for donations on 4<sup>th</sup> September. The shop in Gwent Shopping Centre (The Precinct) will be open to customers from Sat 6<sup>th</sup> to Sat 13<sup>th</sup> September

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**Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar**

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**17th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A** (*Mass Book p108*) 27th July 2014

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| <b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> (vigil)</b>          | 5:30pm  | <b>Immaculate Conception</b> | Havard Jones RIP<br>Butler Family                    |
|  | 9:00am  | <b>Immaculate Conception</b> | Stan Turner RIP<br>Elsie Aherne RIP                  |
|  | 10:30am | <b>All Saints</b>            | Thomas & Annie Lynch RIP<br>Alice Murphy RIP         |
|  | 5:30pm  | <b>St John's</b>             | Pro Populo   |
| <b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup></b>                  |         | <b>St John's</b>             | No Mass  |
| <b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup></b>                 | 7:00pm  | <b>Immaculate Conception</b> | Theresa Short RIP                                    |
| <b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup></b>               | 10:00am | <b>All Saints</b>            | Theresa Short RIP                                    |
| <b>Thursday 31st</b>                           |         |                              | No Mass  |
| <b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August</b>            | 6:00pm  | <b>Immaculate Conception</b> | Deceased of the Parish                               |
| <b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>                 | 10:00am | <b>All Saints</b>            | Elizabeth Delaney & Ellen O'Sullivan RIP             |
| <b>18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary time</b> | 5:30pm  | <b>Immaculate Conception</b> | Theresa Short RIP                                    |
|  | 9:00am  | <b>Immaculate Conception</b> | Mel Hillman<br>Margaret Driscoll RIP                 |
|  | 10:30am | <b>All Saints</b>            | Steven John Smith RIP<br>Alf & Kathleen McCarthy RIP |
|  | 5:30pm  | <b>St John's</b>             | Sandra Adams   |

**Confessions**

**St John's:** Monday after Mass; Sunday 5:00pm

**Immaculate Conception:** Tuesday 6:30-7 pm; Friday 5:30pm; Saturday 5:00pm

**All Saints:** Wed after Mass; Saturday after Mass

There will be Confessions during the time for adoration and also by arrangement.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**St John's:** Following Monday 10:00am Mass

**All Saints:** Following Wednesday 10:00am Mass

**Immaculate Conception:** Friday 12 noon until 6:00pm

**Vigil Lamps**

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|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| All Saints:            | Sacred Heart | Derek Nevill           |
| All Saints:            | Our Lady     | Rose Healy RIP         |
| All Saints:            | St. Joseph   | Private Intention (MS) |
| Immaculate Conception: | Our Lady     | Michael Cooney RIP     |
| Immaculate Conception: | Sacred Heart | Lina Guidice           |

**From the Parish Priest**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The young king Solomon acknowledged his inexperience and lack of understanding of the great matters of life, with hope and trust in God he prayed for the gift of wisdom to discern what is right and wrong, this, God granted and many more besides.

“We can therefore hope in the glory of heaven promised by God to those who love him and do his will. In every circumstance, each one of us should hope, with the grace of God, to persevere “to the end” and to obtain the joy of heaven, as God’s eternal reward for the good works accomplished with the grace of Christ. In hope, the Church prays for “all men to be saved.” She longs to be united with Christ, her Bridegroom, in the glory of heaven:

*Hope, O my soul, hope. You know neither the day nor the hour. Watch carefully, for everything passes quickly, even though your impatience makes doubtful what is certain, and turns a very short time into a long one. Dream that the more you struggle, the more you will rejoice one day with your God, and the more you will rejoice one day with your beloved, in a happiness and rapture that can never end.”* (CCC. 1821)

Dearly beloved, wisdom should be the hallmark of the followers of Christ. So often people resist change as an imposition of something new in a situation that might have appeared to be working perfectly well. Let us pray like Solomon with total trust and hope in God to grant us wisdom from above to bring both the old and new together in building our Pastoral area to the glory of God.

Remain in God’s love and care!

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**Sacraments**

**Holy Matrimony:** Let us pray for Kristian Jon Knapp & Katherine Ann Bowdich who are preparing for their wedding on September 6<sup>th</sup> at St. Teilo’s, Tenby. May the Lord bless and keep them in His love.

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**Gospel reflection** from a Parishioner  
**The Gospel of Matthew 13: 44 - 52**

This Sunday's Gospel is a collection of three parables. The first two parables appear to be similar, but if you read them carefully, you will find that they are actually quite different.

The first two parables using the image of hidden treasure and a pearl of great price are addressed to individuals who with joy and assurance sell everything to possess something precious.

The third parable speaks about the Christian sense of time, and the separation process at the end of time. We must be faithful to Christ's teaching.

This is how it will be at the end of time; the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just, throwing them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth

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**Please pray for the parishioners of our Pastoral Area, especially:**

✠ **those whose anniversary occurs at this time:**

John O'Sullivan, Giacomo Carini, Luigi Carini, Kathleen McKiernan, Alma Glasson, Paul Higginson, David John Colwell, Betty Packer

✠ **the sick:** *If you know of anyone who is sick and not named – or indeed a name that should no longer be here – could you please pass a note to Father Edmund.*

Jeanette Badham, Michael Buckley, Elise Burgess, Denise Burrows, Yvonne Brown, Grant Caniff, Doris Chappell, Molly Cini, Jim Clarke, Maria Davies, Maria Death, Hilda Dollin, Brian Garrett, John Godfrey, Margaret Griffiths, Lina Guidice, Margaret Hancock, Sally Harris, Brenda Hayden, Mary Hillier, Kate Hooper, Keyon Hughes, Peggy Hutton, Nicola James, Gary Jones, Celia Jones, Leslie Jones, Mandy Jones, Yvonne Jones, Steve Joyce, Nina Kokkali, Mabel Kelly, Maria Kerwin, Colin Lee, Margaret Lawrence, Margaret Leesk, Doris Lloyd, Pat & Tom Markey, Eileen Michael, Louis Moorhead, Damian Morgan, Maureen Morgan, Mary Morris, Mary Moseley, Des Murphy, Shirley Murphy, Adam Newbury, Brian Norman, Audrey Norris, Cathy O’Leary, Jean Plummer, Bill Pritchard, Owen Pritchard, Christopher Rich, Eileen Richards, Paul Riley, Samuel Roach, Maureen Roberts, Ivor Rolfe, Paul Roper, Betty Smith, Dennis Sullivan, Millie Sullivan, Julie Thomas, Mary Thomas, Nell Turner, Alison Utting, Grant Walshe, Rachel Watkins, Neville Whitcombe, Joan Williams, Kathleen Williams, Pam Williams, Nora Worthington, Helen Yabsley, Veronica Yandle, Tony Zeraschi. Ruth Phillips. Norman Roberts.

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