<u>Collections</u> for last Sunday								
Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass			
Immaculate								
Conception	£254.50	£72.41	£92.93	£419.84	121			
All Saints	£176.50	£132.01	£143.18	£451.69	112			
St. John's	£130.50	£32.45	£32.60	£195.55	48			
				£1067.08	281			

Thank you for all your contributions and generosity.

#### ADVENT 2014

**Holy Mass** on Fridays in the season of Advent will begin with the prayer of the Angelus at 12noon, at Immaculate Conception Church, Tredegar.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**; The Adoration Chapel in All Saints Church, Ebbw vale, will be opened from **10am** - **7pm** daily for Adoration. Please spend regular time before the Blessed Sacrament and you shall be blessed.

"THE LIGHT IS ON": The exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Adoration & the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 6pm to 7pm

Wednesdays All Saints Church, Ebbw Vale

Fridays Immaculate Conception Church, Tredegar

RETREATS: 10am to 2pm with Bring and Share Lunch
6th December All Saints Church, Ebbw Vale
13th December St. John's Church, Rhymney

"Walk with Me: A Journey of Prayer for Advent and Christmas 2014" are available at the back of the Church. Please buy one to help with your preparation for the coming of Christ.

#### **Parish Notices**

- \* "KNOW & SHARE": The Inaugural meeting of the Faith Formation Team "Know and Share" will take place at All saints Hall, Lounge on Wednesday 3rd December 2014 at 7pm. All who are interested to grow in Faith are warmly welcome.
- \* All are welcome to *All Saints Christmas Luncheon Club* which will take place on Tuesday 9th December at 1pm. List for names in the Church Porch. Thank you.
- \* Annual OAP Christmas Party at Bishop Hedley School on Thursday 18th December at 1pm. Parishioners are invited. Transport cannot be provided, but everything else on the day is free of charge. If you wish to attend please contact the school on 01685 351860 by Monday15th December for catering purposes.
- \* *Mulled Wine and Mince Pies* on Saturday 20th December at 6:30pm in Rhymney Church Hall. Everyone is welcome.
- \* All Saints PRIZE DRAW a list of prize winners is on the notice board in the church porch. Please collect your prize today. Many thanks, to all who contributed in any way to make this a success raising £1000 for parish funds.



# Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar All Saints, Ebbw Vale and St John's, Rhymney

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First Sunday of Advent	Year B	(Mass Book	k p82) 30th Nov 2014
Sunday 30th	Vigil	Immaculate	Ivy & Melvyn Davies
	5:30pm	Conception	Michael & Catherine Cliggett
	9:00am	Immaculate	Margaret Jones RIP
	3.00aiii	Conception	Sp. Int. John & Martina Hodges
	10:30am	All Saints	Paul Crawley RIP
		All Sallits	Terry McCarthy RIP
	5:30pm	St John's	Pro Populo
Monday 1st	1	No Mass	-
Tuesday 2nd	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	Michael Cooney RIP
Modnosday 2rd	10:00am	All Saints	Ann Thomas RIP
Wednesday 3rd			Marian Scrivens RIP
Thursday 4th	10:00am	St Joseph's School	Holy Souls
Friday 5th	12noon	Immaculate Conception	Holy Souls
Saturday 6th	10:00am	All Saints	Kathleen James RIP
Second Sunday of	Vigil	Immaculate	Patricia & John Sheehy
Advent	5:30pm	Conception	Sp. Int. Sandra Adams
	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Mr. Eddie Jones
	10:30am	All Saints	Deceased of the Roffi Family Ellen O'Sullivan RIP
	5:30pm	St John's	L & JJ Morgan Anniv. Phyllis Hughes RIP

## **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

All Saints: Following Wednesday 10:00am Mass Immaculate Conception: Friday 12 noon until 3:00pm & 5:30-6pm

**Confessions** 

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

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

All Saints: Wednesday and Saturday after Mass

### Vigil Lamps

All Saints: Our Lady Kathleen James
All Saints: Sacred Heart Dominic Chaplin
Immaculate Conception: Our Lady Gwyneth Gunter
Immaculate Conception: Sacred Heart John O'Leary

#### From the Parish Priest

Dear Brothers and Sisters.

The Lord is coming! He comes to make all things new. Stay Awake! Keep waiting and watching.

As we begin the Season of Advent, 'May the God who gives us peace make you completely His, and keep your whole being, spirit, soul and body, free from all fault, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ'.

"The coming of God's Son is an event of such immensity that God willed to prepare for it over centuries. He makes everything converge on Christ: all the rituals and sacrifices, figures and symbols of the 'First Covenant'. He announces him through the mouths of the prophets who succeeded one another in Israel. Moreover, he awakens in the hearts of the pagans a dim expectation of this coming." (CCC, 522)

Dearly beloved, the Lord who calls us is ever faithful to His promise of salvation. Let us prepare ourselves for His coming by staying awake in prayer and meditation on the Word of God; and also with the conversion of our hearts joyfully look forward with hope and expectation for His coming.

Maranatha! 'Come O Christ the Lord'

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The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) brings us God's Healing and forgiveness through the Redeeming Love of Christ.

At the back of the Church is a leaflet to help with your preparation for a fruitful reception of the Sacrament.

Please do not take them away.

## **Gospel Reflection** from a Parishioner

The Gospel of Mark 13: 33 - 37

Today we begin Advent. This is the period when we prepare to celebrate the coming of the Christ among us. We also believe that he is coming among us now, and so we have to be prepared to receive him in the Eucharist.

As a community we pray that we will be ready to stand before him, when he comes again in glory.

On this first Sunday of ADVENT the church is concentrated on the coming at "the end of time", the Last Days.

Jesus warns us all to stay awake! Because we do not know when the master of the house is coming and he must not find us asleep.

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

## **†** those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Terry McCarthy, Tony Jenkins, Paul Crawley, Winnie O'Connor, Crohane Murphy, John Glasson, Anthony O'Donovan, Alice Markey. Margaret Driscoll, Gwyneth Joyce Morgan, David Reginald Collins, Kathleen Mc Miles, Veronica Benneth, Terence John McCarthy.

## the sick and housebound:

Grant Caniff, Doris Chappell, Molly Cini, Jim Clarke, Maria Davies, Maria Death, Hilda Dollin, Brian Garrett, John Godfrey, Margaret Griffiths, 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, Jeanette Badham, Michael Buckley, Elise Burgess, Denise Burrows, Yvonne Brown, 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, Ruth Phillips, Jean Plummer, Bill Pritchard, Owen Pritchard, Christopher Rich, Eileen Richards, Paul Riley, Samuel Roach, Maureen Roberts, Norman Roberts, Ivor Rolfe, Paul Roper, Millie Sullivan, 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, Kieran Moseley, Theresa Gough, Michael Gough. John O'Leary. Chelsea. Josephine Vaughan