

Collections for last Sunday

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass
Immaculate Conception	£268.00	£82.18	£66.03	£416.21	107
All Saints	£207.00	£101.44	£99.01	£407.45	80
St. John's	£121.00	21.22	20.99	163.21	29
			Total	<u>£986.87</u>	<u>216</u>

Grateful thanks to everyone for your contributions.

Parish Notices

* All Saints Monthly Quiz on Thursday 11th at 7/7.30pm. All are welcome.

* The recent Coffee Evening held in Rhymney raised £125 for parish funds. Many thanks to those who supported.

*On Saturday 3rd September, we will be holding an **Afternoon Cream Tea** in the Parish Hall at Rhymney at 2pm. Admission - Adults £5, children £2.50. Everyone is welcome, but for catering purposes and limited space if you would like to come please call Sandra Jones on 01685 840454.

*There will be a **General Meeting of the Pastoral Area** on Wednesday 7th September at 6.30pm at Immaculate Conception. The Agenda will be to plan for the rest of the year and to look at the way forward for future development and growth of the Parishes of the Pastoral Area. Any input and suggestions will be appreciated and you are welcome to attend.

* Immaculate Conception **Charity Shop** will open on Friday 19th August.

If you are able to help please Contact Sheila on 01495 723507 and keep all your surplus items for this parish fundraiser.

*Immaculate Conception – Sunday Lunch – 4th September please see Mrs Yvonne Davies for Tickets.

All Saints :- Prize Draw Tickets available, could you help by selling tickets ? this year in aid of the Parish Development fund. Thank you. If you would like to donate a prize, it would be much appreciated.

Sponsored Walk :- Altar Servers from All Saints are doing a sponsored walk around Bryn Bach Park on Sunday 4th Sept. at 4pm, in aid of the Parish Development Fund. Would you like to sponsor the Children ? Forms available in the porch.

DAY OF MERCY

The next day of Mercy will be on, Sunday 4th September the **Day of Mercy** will be from 2:30pm to 5:00pm at St. John's, Rhymney. There will be Devotion to the Divine Mercy, Rosary, Healing through the Proclamation of the Word & Anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Come and have an encounter with Our Lord Jesus Christ, through Prayer, Repentance, Forgiveness and Healing.

Please remember there will be no **Adoration** in August at Immaculate Conception



Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar

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21st Week of Ordinary Time

Mass Book p127 **21st August 2016**

Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Patrick Riley RIP Michael & John Roach Birthday The Archangels & All Angels
21st Sunday of Ordinary Time	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Fr. Edmund's Intentions
	10:30am	All Saints	Sylvester & Rose Healey RIP
	5:30pm	St John's	Sandra Jones's Intentions, Barbara & Les Cushen RIP
Monday 22nd	10:00am	St John's	Fr Edmund's Intentions
Tuesday 23rd	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	Ivy & Melvin Davis
Wednesday 24th	10:00am	All Saints	Harry Williams RIP
Thursday 25th	-	-	
Friday 26th	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	Fr Edmund's Intentions
Saturday 27th	10:00am	All Saints	Cliggett Family Intentions
Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Mary & Christopher Sheehy & Family; Kathleeh Grace McCarthy & Martin Madge
22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Fr Edmund's Intentions
	10:30am	All Saints	Ginny, Joe, Tony & Kian Murphy RIP
	5:30pm	St John's	Havard Jones RIP

Vigil Lamps

Immaculate Conception: Our Lady Yvonne Brown

Immaculate Conception: Sacred Heart Brian Garrett

All Saints: Our Lady Rose & Sylvester Healey RIP

All Saints: Sacred Heart Tony Carini RIP

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

St John's: Monday 10:30am until 11:00am

All Saints: Daily from 10:30am until 6:00pm

Immaculate Conception: No Adoration in August

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

St John's: Monday after 10:30am Mass and Sunday at 5pm

All Saints: After Mass on Wednesday and Saturday

Immaculate Conception: Before Mass on Tuesday, and Saturday at 5pm

From the CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

“In Jesus "the Kingdom of God is at hand." He calls his hearers to conversion and faith, but also to watchfulness. In prayer the disciple keeps watch, attentive to Him Who Is and Him Who Comes, in memory of his first coming in the lowliness of the flesh, and in the hope of his second coming in glory. In communion with their Master, the disciples' prayer is a battle; only by keeping watch in prayer can one avoid falling into temptation.” (CCC, 2612)

REFLECTION

On his way to Jerusalem, Jesus illustrates in both word and deed what following him means. When the question of salvation is brought up, Jesus avoids any statistical approach. His concern is rather to create an earnest desire in his listeners to pursue salvation with every ounce of their being. His message is in tandem with the message from the letter to the Hebrews, which talks of how the Lord trains those whom he loves. A sense of intense concentration and commitment is needed if we are to be true disciples of Jesus and participate in the end-time banquet.

In his first example, Jesus speaks of endeavouring to enter by the narrow door. In his second example, the door is locked, and we cannot assume that we will gain entry just because we have been vaguely associated with Jesus. Similarly, there will be many we might think are unworthy either of our or of God's consideration, who will take their places at the feast in the kingdom. Luke combines his deep awareness that there is a universal call to salvation with his appreciation that, once we have heard the call, we are to respond with dedication. It is only too easy for us to judge others while ignoring our own failings.

Jesus challenges our assumptions and perceptions about some groups and certain people we feel in some way are less enlightened or less civilised than us. These groups and people may hold certain truths and understanding that we need humbly to listen to and appreciate rather than treat with disdain. In the end people share the same hopes and fears, the same mixture of drives to good and evil. May we strive with every fibre of our being to be part of the end-time banquet while recognizing the goodness in other people who may be different from us.

Please pray for parishioners of our Pastoral Area, especially: **✠ the sick and housebound:**

Jeanette Badham, Dennis Bevan, Elise Burgess, Denise Burrows, Yvonne Brown, Grant Caniff, Molly Cini, Jim Clarke, James Cullen, Maria Davies, Maria Death, Brian Garrett, John Godfrey, Michael Gough, Margaret Griffiths, Margaret Hancock, Sally Harris, Keyon Hughes, Nicola James, Gary Jones, Celia Jones, Leslie Jones, Mandy Jones, Yvonne Jones, Steve Joyce, Nina Kokkali, Mabel Kelly, Margaret Lawrence, Colin Lee, Tom Markey, Eileen Michael, Louis Moorhead, Damian Morgan, Maureen Morgan, Mary Morris, Kieran Moseley, Mary Moseley, Des Murphy, Shirley Murphy, Adam Newbury, Brian Norman, Cathy O'Leary, Ruth Phillips, Bill Pritchard, Owen Pritchard, Christopher Rich, Eileen Richards, Paul Riley, Samuel Roach, Maureen Roberts, Norman Roberts, Ivor Rolfe, Paul Roper, Mary Thomas, Alison Utting, Grant Walshe, Rachel Watkins, Neville Whitcombe, Joan Williams, Kathleen Williams, Pam Williams, Helen Yabsley, Veronica Yandle, Tony Zeraschi, Debra Richards, Daniel Morgan Bennett, Raymond Titley, Jeanette Prothero, Pauline Thomas. Barbara McCarthy, Gavin Hughes

✠ those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Llewellyn Griffiths, Bill Hooper, Ivy Markey, Sylvester Healey, Marian Sheenan, Mary Pearce, Anthony Murphy., Robert Clancy Snr., Manus Heggarty.. Sandra Vera Foxhall, Orsola Guidice, William Dennis Simmons, William Thomas Murray.

Eternal Rest

Please pray for the Happy Repose of the soul of Nora Worthington, who died on Monday . Her Body will be received into Church at 4pm on Monday, and Her Requiem will take place on Tuesday at 12.45pm. Please keep Nora and all the family in your prayers RIP

