

Collections for Last Sunday

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass
Immaculate Conception	£173.80	£69.22	£75.15	£318.17	102
All Saints	£214.00	£94.42	£123.40	£431.82	101
St. John's	£123.00	£16.50	£23.00	£162.50	34
			Total	£912.49	237

Thank you to all for your offerings!

Development Fund – September All Saints: £825 St John's: £86

Immaculate Conception 100 club: 1st prize: John Jones
2nd prize: Winnie Moore
3rd prize: Coleen Holland

CAFOD: This week we celebrate Cafod Harvest Fast Day. Please take an envelope for Harvest Fast donation. There will be a retiring collection.

PARISH NOTICES

* October is the month of the Holy Rosary. We will say the Holy Rosary as a family before all the Masses at the various stations. Please start promptly at Mass time. Families are encouraged to pray the Rosary as a family on Saturdays.

* **St John's:** Cleaning of the Church will take place on Friday after 5pm. Please come and let us help prepare the Church for Mass on Sunday. Thanks

* **All Saints** Grand Prize Draw There are still £200 worth of tickets unsold before we reach our target. See Joy after Mass if you can help.

* **Sponsored Walk:** in Aid of much needed funds for the Children's Contact Centre. Please could all sponsor money be in by today please. Thank you.

* All Saints **Macmillan Coffee Morning** A total of £378 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Care. Well done and a big THANK YOU to all concerned.

* All Saints **Monthly Quiz and Bingo** will take place in the hall on Thursday 12th at 7/7.30pm. All are welcome.

* **School Vacancy** Archdiocese Of Cardiff. Our Lady of the Angels RC Primary School, Cwmbran is seeking to appoint a full-time, permanent Deputy Headteacher. For further detail contact Diane Draper, on 01633 484673 or email: head.cwmbranrc@torfaen.gov.uk



Pastoral Area of Immaculate Conception, Tredegar

All Saints, Ebbw Vale and St John's, Rhymney

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time *Mass Book P137* **8th Oct 2017**

Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	David O'Connor RIP
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Hannah Austyn-Prys RIP
	10:30am	All Saints	Dennis Bevan RIP David Scrivens RIP
	5:30pm	St. John's	Joseph Brady RIP (Anniv)
Monday 9th	10:30am	Immaculate Conception	Requiem Mass James Driscoll
	5:00pm	St John's	Members of St John's
Tuesday 10th	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	Eileen Benkins & family Jimmy Driscoll RIP
Wednesday 11th	10:00am	All Saints	Margaret Paul RIP
Thursday 12th	9:30am	AS School	For Staff and Pupils
Friday 13th	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	For God's Journey Mercies for Fr. Joseph
Saturday 14th	10:00am	All Saints	The Forgotten Souls
Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	David O'Connor RIP McCarthy family Harry Richardson RIP
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Annie Reardon Agnes Clark Agnes & Stephen Thanksgiving
	10:30am	All Saints	Deceased members of the McCarthy & Lynch Families.
	5:30pm	St. John's	For the Intentions of The Archbishop

VIGIL LAMPS

All Saints:

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Immaculate Conception:

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Our Lady

Sacred Heart

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Sick & Housebound

John Joe Sullivan RIP

Intentions of Tredegar Council

All the sick of the Pastoral Area

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

All Saints: Daily from 10:30am until 6:00pm
St. John: Monday after 10:00am Mass
Immaculate Conception: Friday 12 noon until 3:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

All Saints: After Mass on Wednesday and Saturday
St. John's: After Mass on Monday and Sunday at 5pm
Immaculate Conception: Before Mass on Tuesday, & Saturday at 5pm

FROM THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

"At all times and in every race, anyone who fears God and does what is right has been acceptable to him. He has, however, willed to make men holy and save them, not as individuals without any bond or link between them, but rather to make them into a people who might acknowledge him and serve him in holiness. He therefore chose the Israelite race to be his own people and established a covenant with it. He gradually instructed this people... All these things, however, happened as a preparation for and figure of that new and perfect covenant which was to be ratified in Christ . . . the New Covenant in his blood; he called together a race made up of Jews and Gentiles which would be one, not according to the flesh, but in the Spirit." (CCC781)

GOSPEL REFLECTION (MATTHEW 21: 33-43)

The Parable of the wicked tenants uses the analogy of the vineyard to describe God's relationship with his people. The vineyard is Jerusalem, the tenants are the religious leaders, the slaves are the prophets and the son, Jesus Christ. It is the responsibility of the religious leaders to nurture spiritual growth and fruitfulness among the peoples. This is the fruit the owner's slaves, that is, the prophets are sent to collect. The maltreatment of the prophets is well attested in the Old Testament, for example, Jeremiah.

As the tenants sought to get rid of the son and the heir, so the chief priests were planning to get rid of Jesus. Since Israel rejects Jesus as the Messiah, the Kingdom of God will be taken from them and handed to the Gentiles who will yield a good harvest. The resurrection of the one whom they will cast out and kill will be turning point that will lead to the kingdom being taken away from the religious leaders and given to a people who will produce the fruits of it.

Please pray for the Parishioners of our Pastoral Area, especially:

† *the sick and housebound:*

Jeanette Badham, Elise Burgess, Denise Burrows, Yvonne Brown, Grant Caniff, Molly Cini, Jim Clarke, James Cullen, Maria Davies, Maria Death, Brian Garrett, John Godfrey, Margaret Hancock, Sally Harris, Keyon Hughes, Nicola James, Gary Jones, Celia Jones, Leslie Jones, Mandy Jones, Yvonne Jones, Nina Kokkali, Mabel Kelly, Margaret Lawrence, Colin Lee, Tom Markey, Eileen Michael, Louis Moorhead, Maureen Morgan, Kieran Moseley, Mary Moseley, Des 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, Alison Utting, Grant Walshe, Rachel Watkins, Neville Whitcombe, Joan Williams, Kathleen Williams, Pam Williams, Helen Yabsley, Tony Zeraschi, Debra Richards, Daniel Morgan Bennett, Raymond Titley, Jeanette Prothero, Pauline Thomas. Barbara McCarthy, Gavin Hughes, Norma Beecher, Maria James, Maureen Hague, Doris Morris, Sheila Bennett, Joan Spencer, Mary (Benjamin) Thomas, Margaret Jones. Kathleen Woolley, Derek Kerwick, Donald & Kathleen Bennett, Damian Thomas, Brian Holland, Baby Isla.

† *those whose anniversary occurs at this time:*

William O'Connor, Kathleen Gould, Patrick O'Leary, Vincent Jones, Winifred Bounds, Patrick Long, Elizabeth Clarke, Ann Warlock.
Mary Morris, Gwyneth Mary Gunter, Margaret Monica Evans, John Harris

† ETERNAL REST

Please pray for the repose of the soul of James Driscoll whose Requiem Mass will take place in Immaculate Conception on Monday 9th October at 10:30am
Our sincere sympathies go to the bereaved family.
May he Rest in Peace and Rise in Eternal Glory.

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Father Joseph will be away on his annual leave in Ghana from Saturday 14th October to 14th November. If you have any Intentions in that time, please pass them to Yvonne Davies, Sandra Wilcox or leave them in the Sacristy.